



JULY 2021 NEWSLETTER

The Bethesda-Chevy Chase Chapter of The Izaak Walton League of America

Serving the Community Since 1935

PO Box 542, Poolesville, MD 20837

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President's Message

Hi folks,

It is great to be fully operational! Summer is a wonderful time to get outdoors and enjoy the weather. How time just seems to fly by when we are active. The month of June was a busy month.

Our first ever-electronic election was held at the June Membership Zoom Meeting. It was a complete success due to the efforts from Jeff Seaman (Past President), Joe Trotter (Membership Secretary), and Christian Lowe (IT Committee Chair). All went swimmingly. We have a new Board of Governors transitioning on September 1st. THANK YOU Jeff and your team!

The annual Father's Day event on June 20th was a smashing success! The Chapter House Great Room was lined with rows of tables for the Swap Meet and Silent Auction. A wide variety of items including books, guns, tree stands, and even a kayak were available for purchase. Our activities including Archery, Fun Shoot, and Fishing Derby were very well attended by members, family, and friends. It was great to see the numerous cars parked on the property. The BBQ and other food items were delicious. A big THANK YOU to Carol Hulce-Efdimis and her team for coordinating this major activity of the year. Even Mother Nature welcomed the event with a fine Summer Day filled with family fun and joyous laughter.

The Annual Past Presidents' Dinner held in June was a complete success. This event is the opportunity for the Chapter to formerly thank ALL the Past Presidents, those in attendance and in memoriam, for their efforts as former Chapter Presidents ensuring the continuity and future of the Chapter. A reminder to everyone that our Chapter is 85 years old and growing with a long line of Past Presidents. The immediate Past President has the primary role of coordinating the entire event from the menu to activities. Jeff Seaman did an excellent job! As always in our volunteer organization he was not alone. Chip Dunn and his kitchen team, Janet and Tom Lamkin, and Tucker Mostrom were instrumental in its success.

As a reminder, starting in July we will be holding our monthly membership 'dinner' meetings at the Chapterhouse.

Do not forget our Annual Gun Raffle. We have ~30 tickets remaining. If you have not purchased a ticket buy one or two. See the Newsletter for more information. We would like to hold the Raffle at the July Membership Dinner Meeting.

In closing, check the calendar for scheduled outdoor activities and come out to the farm. It is a wonderful place to enjoy nature and have fun. Hope to see you soon!

Best regards,

Ron Marchessault
President

UPCOMING EVENTS

for B-CC IWLA and Community

Check the Chapter website for updates!
All dates are tentative and subject to change.

2021 Gun Raffle

Contact Carol Hulce-Efdimis – carol2017@aol.com
to purchase tickets

Chapter House Cleanup – for New Members

Sunday, July 18
9:00am – 12:00 noon

IWLA Virtual National Convention

Tuesday, July 20 – Thursday, July 22

All events are online and free
Open to all League Members
Afternoons: 4:00pm – 6:00pm

iwla.org/events

1,029th Membership Dinner Meeting

Wednesday, July 21
Dinner starts between 6:15pm and 6:30pm
Meeting starts at 7:30pm
In the Chapter House

July New-Member Orientation Tours

Saturday, July 24
10:00am – 1:00pm

Board of Governors Meeting

Wednesday, July 28
7:30pm

DUE DATE

for the August Newsletter Articles

Friday, July 30

Submit articles to:
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Fiscal Year: September 1, 2020 – August 31, 2021

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* Indicates Officers and Board Members who were absent from the previous month's Board of Governors meeting.

The Izaak Walton League of America – a non-profit conservation organization – is recognized as a Section 501(c)(3) public charity under the Internal Revenue Code.

Address, phone and email changes should be sent to the Membership Secretary at the above address.

Submissions to the *NEWSLETTER* should be sent to:

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Summary of the May 2021 Board of Governors Meeting and the June 2021 Membership Meeting

John Stinson, Recording Secretary
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Wednesday, May 26, 2021 – Board of Governors Meeting

- Eagle Scout Project - Jonathan Dunn of BSA Troop 457 presented a 3-part proposal for making a crossing for the non-perennial stream that intersects the path to the campsites. This stream functions as storm water drainage that is at times impassable.
- President Ron Marchessault discussed: the logistics for e-balloting, including lease of an online voting program; selection of Chapter delegates to the Maryland Division annual meeting and to the National Convention; two priority CAPEX items – repair of erosion damage on the road to the Big Pond and purchase of a wobble trap and platform for the Shotgun Range.
- Past President Jeff Seaman led further discussion on the particulars of the upcoming election. Meeting attendance and in-person voting is required.

ITEM FOR DISCUSSION:

- The Board agreed that the website developer's services, are a great bargain and approved this expenditure.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Ten new members were voted in.
- A motion for the Chapter to provide funding for the scout project was approved.
- A motion to increase funding for Fathers' Day activities was approved.
- Provision to the Election Committee for voting software was approved.
- The Board approved Judge Boynton's appointment to the Legacy Foundation Board.
- The meeting was adjourned at 10:20pm.

Wednesday, June 16, 2021 – 1,028th Consecutive Membership Meeting

- The meeting was called to order at 6:48pm. The standard meeting format and order were adjusted to hold the election.
- President Ron Marchessault thanked the election committee for their hard work in organizing the Chapter's first digital election, and noted that the first in-person Membership/Dinner Meeting in over a year will be held in July and noted that the IWLA National Convention (Tuesday, July 20 through Thursday, July 22) overlaps with the Chapter's in-person Membership Meeting on July 21.
- Past President Jeff Seaman, along with Membership Secretary Joe Trotter, conducted the annual election, online this year for the first time.
- Poolesville Day is on September 18, there will be a family campout in September or October, and the Chapter will have a booth at the annual County Ag. Fair in August. Volunteers are needed for all three events.
- The Maryland *Waltonian* will now be available electronically; members need to provide email addresses to National to receive the *Waltonian*.
- Farm Chair Phil Taylor reported on the spring planting of cover crops (comprised of 8 species) and sunflowers. The dry spring, vulnerability to deer, and some cold nights have not been helpful for the sunflowers. Corn planted over 10

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SUMMARY

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acres is non-GMO and can be replanted. Groundhog control is welcomed if pursued under state and Chapter hunting rules.

- Trails Committee Chair Brian King reported that a lot of work has been done to clear the trails, especially in the West Woods.
- The second chestnut orchard fencing is in progress and there will be a fencing party in July. The effect of cicadas and netting, if any, is unclear at this time.
- Maryland hunting licenses and registration for hunting at the Chapter are available after July 1.

TALKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE CHAPTER:

- Business card, pamphlets, and other visual aids are helpful in generating interest and recruiting new members.
- The Fraud Analysis component of the online voting software called a possible redundant vote of two family members. This had no effect on the outcomes.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm.

JULY 2021 MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP DINNER MEETING

The 1,029th monthly Membership Dinner Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, July 21 in the Chapter House.** Dinner will be served starting between **6:15pm and 6:30pm.** The meeting will begin at **7:30pm.**

Appetizers will be available before dinner. Dinner this month will include: **Steak, Baked Potato, Green Beans, Rolls, Lemonade, and Dessert.**

JULY 2021 BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

The Board of Governors meeting will be held on **Wednesday, July 28 at 7:30pm.**

Montgomery County Ag Fair Booth Volunteers



Subject to county guidelines, it looks like the Montgomery County Agricultural Fair is on for this year. The fair starts on August 13, 2021 and runs through August 21, 2021. We are looking for volunteers to work 6-hour shifts at the Izaak Walton booth. The early shift runs 10:00am to 4:00pm and the late shift 4:00pm to 10:00pm. Volunteers get free admission and a parking pass. It's a great way to earn your volunteer hours, as well as an opportunity to promote our organization and educate the community about our mission. I'm also looking for any promotional material about the chapter and our activities that can be displayed or handed out at the booth. Please contact Steve Poss (301 332-5259) bandsposs@gmail.com if you have any questions, or Bill Leaman with the Rockville Chapter to schedule a time slot (240 888-7600).

Welcome to the B-CC IWLA Family

The following members were inducted in June 2021.

Amity R. Burtea

Interests: Rifle & Pistol; Trap & Skeet; Wildlife

Evay Omar Harvey

Interests: Archery; Farming; Rifle & Pistol

Sara D. Holley

Interests: Forestry; Nature Trails; Star Gazing

Mike Kidwell

Interests: Family Picnic; Farming; Rifle & Pistol

Brian George Turmail

Interests: Public Relations; Scouting; Youth Programs

Derek James Woodward

Interests: Conservation Education; Photography; Rifle & Pistol

Jahan Zarrabi

Interests: Archery; Rifle & Pistol; Wildlife

ATTENTION New Members!

The next Chapter house cleanup is on **Saturday, July 18 at 9:00am**



2021 IWLA Virtual National Convention July 20 – 22, 2021

Afternoon Events – 4:00pm to 6:00pm

Events are online, free, and open to all League members. Attend as many or as few as you like.

Tuesday, July 20 afternoon – 4:00pm to 6:00pm: Welcome; highlights of convention activities; keynote speaker with Question and Answer session; National Officer elections; convene Board of Directors meeting for purpose of Executive Board elections. **7:00pm:** Virtual Parade of States

Wednesday, July 21 afternoon – 4:00pm to 6:00pm: 100th anniversary fundraising kick-off; speaker; 2022 convention preview. **7:00pm:** Vote on Policy Resolutions

Thursday, July 22 afternoon – 4:00pm to 6:00pm: Endowment meeting (open to all members of the League, not just chapter delegates) and Board election; 2024 national convention site selection; other business.

All convention-related information will be posted as it becomes available on the IWLA National website. You can visit iwla.org/events any time and sign up for convention updates.

ATTENTION BIG POND ANGLERS

Any **largemouth bass** caught at the big pond that are **between 8-12 inches** **should not** be thrown back into pond. If you wish, you may release them into the small pond but do not remove them from the property (until further notice). The big pond has an abundance of largemouth bass and removing 8-12-inch bass is a management measure to reduce competition for food and increase the size and abundance of bass larger than 12 inches. **Please include in the logbook all bass removed and size.**

Thank you for your cooperation in this management matter.

For more information, please contact:

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Fisheries Biologist and
Co-chair of the
Ponds & Streams Committee
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Hunter Safety Course

John Lamb
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On September 11 and 12, the chapter will host one of its **bi-annual Hunter Safety/Education courses**. This class is free of charge and open to anyone wishing to get certified through the State of Maryland.

All new potential hunters must enroll-in and satisfy a certification program. Our class is a 2-day course from 8:00am to 4:00pm on each day. I do encourage those hunters, whom are exempt from completing this program due to grandfather clauses, to enroll as well. Typically, the class age range runs from 6 – 75 years of age. The certification is recognized throughout the U.S and all over the world.

All participants must enroll online with the State of Maryland.

- Pull up Register-ed.com
- Click on Maryland
- Click on Hunter Education Classroom Course
- Find the date with Poolesville IWLA location
- The site will ask a few questions pertaining to the student from there on
- Once enrolled, mark the date on your calendar and then wait for further announcements.

You can cancel your enrollment at any time if needed but please try to do so at least a week ahead of time so that another student may occupy that spot.

Students should bring a lunch and an enthusiastic learning attitude. The state will provide all other materials required.

Members wishing to work off volunteer hours are welcome to assist. If you have any questions, please contact me at jpatricklamb@aol.com.



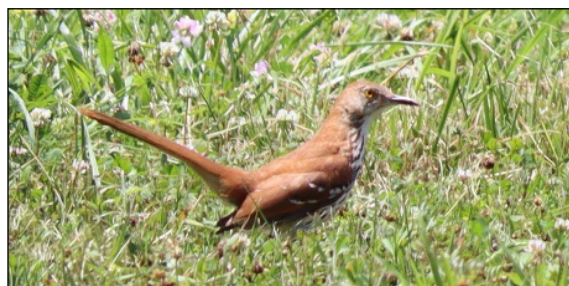
2021 Past Presidents' Dinner

Standing left to right: Ernie Smith, Richard Latimer, Jr., Tom Lamkin, Larry Anderson, Scott Harmon, Pat Tarquinio, Carol Hulce-Efdimis, Jack Mandel, Jack MacGregor, John Lamb, Dick Hanna, Butch Mezick, Frank Parker, Bill Gordon, Kenny Northup

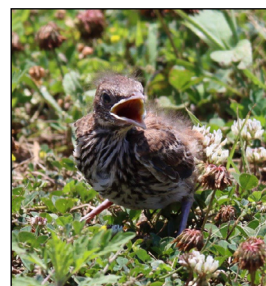
Seated left to right: Jeff Seaman, Pat Dady, Jim O'Connell, Marty Ricketts, Frank Och, Byron Ricketts, Lynn Adams, Bob Pavlick, Ted Whitehouse

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date(s)	Activity	Time
JULY		
All dates are tentative and subject to change. Check the website for updates.		
Monthly Events		
<i>Sundays</i>	<i>Shotgun Range – Trap, Skeet, and Five-Stand</i>	<i>9:00am – 5:00pm</i>
<i>Sundays</i>	<i>Archery Range 3-D Shoot</i>	<i>9:00am – 1:00pm</i>
<i>Mondays</i>	<i>Scout Meetings in the Chapter House</i>	<i>7:30pm</i>
<i>Tuesdays</i>	<i>Tuesday Sporting Clays</i>	<i>3:00pm – last squad out at 5:00pm</i>
<i>Saturdays</i>	<i>Archery Range 3-D Shoot</i>	<i>9:00am – 1:00pm</i>
Saturday, July 10	Summer Biathlon at the R&P Range	7:30am
Saturday, July 10	Advanced Planning & Finance Committee Meeting – 2021-2022 Budget	10:00am
Saturday, July 10	Adopt-A-Road Cleanup – meet at the Chapter House parking lot	8:15am
Saturday, July 17	Introduction to Shotgun Sport Class – 2 sessions (10 per class) – sign up required https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4DACA28A7F8C25-intro1	10:00am – 12:00 noon or 1:00pm – 3:00pm
Saturday, July 17	Parker Family Event – at the Chapter House	
Sunday, July 18	Chapter House Cleanup – for new members	9:00am – 12:00 noon
Tuesday, July 20 through	National Convention – Virtual	4:00pm – 6:00pm
Thursday, July 22	National Convention – Virtual	4:00pm – 6:00pm
Wednesday, July 21	1,029th Monthly Membership Dinner Meeting – in the Chapter House	Dinner begins between 6:15pm – 6:30pm Meeting – 7:30pm
Saturday, July 24	Summer Biathlon at the R&P Range	7:30am
Saturday, July 24	New-Member Orientation Tour – meet at the Chapter House	Tour 10:00am – 1:00pm
Sunday, July 25 through	R&P Range CLOSED for Berm Work	CLOSED
Friday, August 6	R&P Range CLOSED for Berm Work	CLOSED
Wednesday, July 28	Board of Governors Meeting	7:30pm
Friday, July 30	August Newsletter Articles due – send to j.lamkin@comcast.net	By End of Day
AUGUST		
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Monthly Events		
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<i>Saturdays</i>	<i>Archery Range 3-D Shoot</i>	<i>9:00am – 1:00pm</i>
Saturday, August 7	Summer Biathlon at the R&P Range	7:30am
Saturday, August 7	Ruffed Grouse Shoot at the Shotgun Range	TBD
Saturday, August 14	Chapter House Cleanup	9:00am – 12:00 noon
Wednesday, August 18	1,030th Monthly Membership Dinner Meeting – in Chapter House	Dinner begins between 6:15pm – 6:30pm Meeting – 7:30pm
Saturday, August 21	Summer Biathlon at the R&P Range	7:30am
Wednesday, August 25	Board of Governors Meeting	7:30pm
Friday, August 27	September Newsletter Articles due – send to j.lamkin@comcast.net	By End of Day
Saturday, August 28	New-Member Orientation Tour – meet at the Chapter House	Tour 10:00am – 1:00pm
THE CAMPGROUND IS CLOSED DURING ALL BLACK POWDER AND FIREARMS DEER SEASON.		
Check the online www.bcciwla.org electronic calendar for current and updated scheduled times of events.		



Brown Thrasher Adult



Brown Thrasher Baby

PHOTOS BY BRETT DAVIS

Bee Yard

Robert (BeeBob) Mackleer, Jr.
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Early June found me returning North through Claxton, GA where I stopped in at Wilbanks Apiaries to buy some honey and three Queens. I was coming from further South in the Forgotten Coast Highway of North West Florida, where my family and I learned about Estuaries and how the natural protections of a salt marsh provided protection from the most recent hurricane to hit the area in 2018! Nothing like a little education while on vacation, eh!

Anyway back to the bees! I now had three queens in hand, one half a day of vacation left back here, and work to do making up potentially three splits. A split is when you take out a few frames of bee brood of various types from a number of established bee colonies to make up about six frames of brood and bees to which you add your newly acquired Queen to and make a new colony! It allows the beekeeper to expand the number of colonies he manages, and it is also used as a method of swarm control.

I first went to my bee yard at the IWLA National HQ and pulled two frames out of the three colonies there, added a queen, put screening over the entrance and a moving screen on top, loaded the new split on the car and brought it to the bee yard at the B-CC IWLA! There are now four colonies of bees in the bee yard!

Then I got ready to repeat this process at the B-CC IWLA bee yard! Unfortunately for me, just as I was ready to open up the colonies, the weather became a problem. Rain started up, and thunder too and this means all bee work stops or you will get really wet and stung up!

I had to quickly create what is called a Queen Bank. A Queen Bank is a storage system for the remaining two queens. I have some pictures of this. I took my best colony and on top of it added two queen excluders with an inner cover between the two excluders to keep the main colony's queen from coming up to kill my two banked queens. Then an empty box with a few frames removed in the middle where I placed my two queens in their individual cages, and added another layer of queen excluders on top and left the queens banked.



This is only a temporary measure. It is always best to get your queens hived within a week or sooner of getting them from the queen breeder. I had hoped to get back to them in five days when my next Regular Days Off began. The weather and family life did not cooperate. It was ten days later when I next opened up the queen bank and discovered that the bees had gnawed their way into the queen cages and released the queens who were nowhere to be found! It's a mystery! However the rule is only one queen per hive, and queens fight each other to the death, so at the end of the day, there is balance restored and only one queen in the colony!

Nature rules!

PHOTOS BY BOB MACKLEER



PHOTO BY CAROL HULCE-EFDIMIS

Father's Day Pig Roast

Membership Operations Report

Joe Trotter, Membership Secretary
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Congratulations, Bethesda-Chevy Chase members! After years of trying our best, our chapter has crested the magic "1000" mark in total members for 2021 ... and we are only halfway through the year!

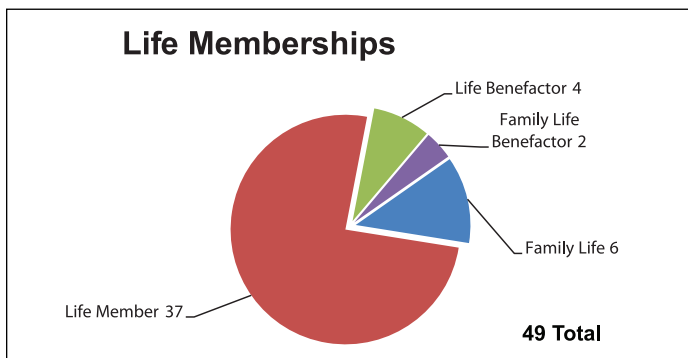
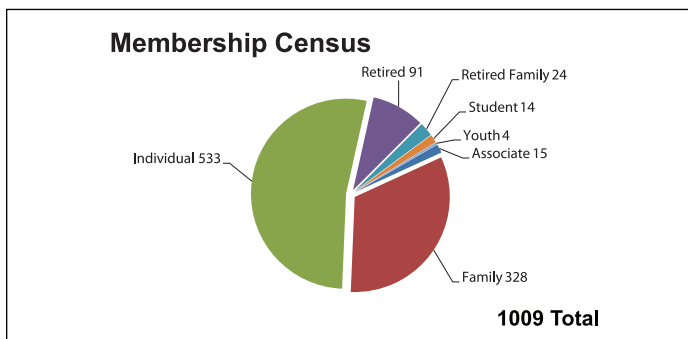
Members are reminded to log their volunteer hours through the chapter website. Another email blast will be going out in July with the tally of volunteer hours that they have recorded since September 1, 2020. Members inducted before August 31, 2020 need 6 hours of service logged BEFORE August 31, 2021 to avoid the \$50 in-lieu-of-volunteer-service fee.

Probationary members inducted since September 1, 2020 need 16 hours of voluntary service in the 12 months after their induction date to remain in good standing. The volunteer fee for those members inducted after September 1, 2020 will be automatically waived for 2022 membership renewals.

For ongoing membership or 2021 renewal questions, please email Joe Trotter, the Membership Secretary, at MembershipSecretary.BCC.IWLA@gmail.com.

The July 2021 **New-Member Orientation Tour** is scheduled for **Saturday, July 24th** at 10:00am.

As of the June 2021 BOG meeting, the membership breakdown was:



June 19, 2021 New-Member Orientation Tour

PHOTO BY TUCKER MOSTROM

Total Archery Challenge

John Gorney and Chuck Thornton

From June 3-6, 2021, chapter members John Gorney, Sean Duncan, James Sanborn, and Chuck Thornton participated in the Total Archery Challenge (TAC) at Seven Springs resort in Pennsylvania. TAC events, held across the US each year, include multiple 3D courses of varying difficulty, practice fields, novelty shots to win prizes, a vendor village, and evening parties. TAC events are typically held at ski resorts, where archers ride the ski lifts to access the courses and hike the mountain terrain to find the 3D targets.



Each of the five courses included 25 targets, with distances ranging from 20-125 yards, over 3-5 miles of mountainous terrain, and took between 2-4 hours to complete. Targets were often set at steep angles, across ravines or bodies of water, or through narrow tree-lined corridors. Targets also usually included hazards and tricky positions, such as tree branches obstructing an arrow's flight path, or uneven footing. To top it off, Day 1 was beset by pouring rain, followed by a summer heat wave for Days 2-4.



Although TAC is not a formal competition, most participants track their scores --- mostly for bragging rights. However, the true measure of success at a TAC event is the number of arrows lost each day. TAC events are professionally designed and well-run events. It was a welcoming and friendly atmosphere, where all the participants were out to have fun and challenge themselves. We had a blast and can't wait to return next year.

John, James, and Chuck are all members of the B-CC IWLA Archery Committee and frequently practice on our chapter's 3D courses. We are fortunate to have an active and robust archery program at our chapter, which is an excellent training ground for regional and national 3D shoots such as TAC. Contact John, jag318@gmail.com, or Chuck, clthornton@gmail.com, for more information and to start planning to attend a 2022 TAC event.



For more information on TAC, see totalarcherychallenge.com.

Shotgun Range Report

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The Father's Day shoot was a success. We had a very good turn out. Thanks to all who came out and shot, and thanks to all the range officers who volunteered to keep things running.

Introduction to Shotgun Sports Class will be held on Saturday, July 17. Two classes: 10:00am - 1:00pm and 1:00pm - 3:00pm. Classes are limited to 10 attendees each. Prospective attendees should use the following Sign-Up link to register for a class: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4DACA28A7F8C25-intro1>

CLASS FILLED

Tuesday Sporting Clays Shoots began on April 6 and the last shoot of the season is on Tuesday, September 28. Shoots begin at 3:00pm with the last squad at 5:00pm.

Range Officers:

- Please do not unplug any of the skeet machines and do not turn off any circuit breakers.
- Double-check and make sure all release cords and extension cords are returned to the range house.

Shooters:

- Please pick up your empty shotgun shells and trash when finished shooting.
- Keep the range clean and restocked for the next range officers and shooters.

All Shotgun Range Equipment is to be used by **pre-qualified Shotgun Range Officers ONLY**. If any equipment is malfunctioning, please let Joel and me know.

RANGE OFFICER SCHEDULE

JULY

Sunday, July 4	Mike Noble, <i>Need a Range Officer</i>
Sunday, July 11	John Thereault, <i>Need a Range Officer</i>
Sunday, July 18	Pat Dady, <i>Need a Range Officer</i>
Sunday, July 25	Joe Contrera, Ed Stewart

AUGUST

Sunday, August 1	Doug Martin, <i>Need a Range Officer</i>
Sunday, August 8	John Kipfer, <i>Need a Range Officer</i>
Sunday, August 15	Ben Kohler, <i>Need a Range Officer</i>
Sunday, August 22	Richard Drummon, <i>Need a Range Officer</i>
Sunday, August 29	Kevin King, David Boynton

HOURS OF OPERATION

Sundays	9:00am to 5:00pm	Trap, Skeet, Sporting Clays
Tuesdays	3:00pm to 6:00pm	Sporting Clays Only

Chestnut Orchard

Clean 5-gallon paint or dry wall buckets are needed to water the seedlings in the new Chestnut Orchard. Please contact Blaine Elkins at blaineelkins@verizon.net if you have any to spare.

Summer Biathlon Program

Steve Eschholz
240 472-6512 (text) fitnesscrafters@earthlink.net

Summer biathlon is rocking this summer. The program has seen more dingers on the line possibly since the advent of the program in the early 1990s. We are looking at an average of between 9-10. We have had 13 out several times. This includes people new to the sport. Thus far this year, ten females have joined in the early morning festivities. Participants come in from as far away as Baltimore; Dale City, VA; Frederick, and on occasion Gettysburg.

On Saturday, June 19, Charlie Lund, Sang Kim, and Sonny Lacey competed at the Altoona, PA Summer Biathlon placing 20, 21, and 22 respectively. A full account of the scoring can be found at <https://www.dropbox.com/s/wdu4whfjwxroio4/ResultsAltoona2021.pdf?dl=0>. If you want a copy of Sonny's After Action Report, please contact me and I will forward.

Thanks to all for spreading the word. Please continue. Contact Steve Eschholz when you desire to be included on the summer biathlon email list.

EVENT: Running distance at B-CC IWLA is set at 5 kilometers (3.1 miles) split into 5 loops. A short course for those working up to the other distances has been laid out as well. The regulation shooting distance is 50 meters. Targets are also set between 25 and 50 meters for development of the shooting art. There are four shooting stops on the 5km course. Shooting stops alternate between prone (lying down) and off-hand (standing) positions. Five rounds are fired at each stop for a total of 20 shots. An equal number of shots are fired from each shooting position.

SCORING: Scoring is based on a time to complete basis. A penalty of either one (1) minute or a 50-100 meter penalty lap will be assessed for each shot missed.

EQUIPMENT: .22 caliber biathlon rifles are the standard; however, any magazine fed, .22 caliber rifle with either bolt or lever action is permitted. **Only standard velocity .22 caliber target ammunition is allowed.**

SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 10	7:30am
Saturday, July 24	7:30am
Saturday, August 7	7:30am
Saturday, August 21	7:30am
Saturday, September 11	7:30am
Saturday, September 25	7:30am
Saturday, October 9	7:30am
Saturday, November 6	7:30am
Saturday, November 13	7:30am

FIREARMS HUNTING SEASON

NEW-MEMBER ORIENTATION TOUR

Saturday, July 24

10:00am until approximately 1:00pm

Come join us on the New Member Orientation Tour! Newly initiated members who have paperwork / fees to settle, make sure to arrive between 9:00am and 9:30am.

Archery Range Report

Jack Mandel, Committee Chair
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The next **Committee Zoom Meeting** is scheduled for Tuesday, July 13th at 7:30pm. Our meetings are open to all members, always. Simply contact us for a zoom invite. Please join us!

3-D COURSE

Course hours are 9:00am – 1:00pm every Saturday and Sunday. \$7 members; \$10 non-members.

If it's hot out, keep in mind that it tends to be cooler in the shade and low-lying areas of the woods around the streams – just the right temperature for shooting!

APOLLO ARCHERY

Chuck Thornton and John Gorney hosted their first Apollo Archery session in June! The program is dedicated to giving current and veteran military members, their families, and caregivers a fulfilling outdoor experience at our Archery Range.

The United States Marine Corps at Walter Reed is now officially enrolled in our program and will work with us to engage their Service Members.

Excavation is complete on the **Girl Scout Gold Award Night Sky Observation Deck**. More materials will be arriving this week, and we should begin to see some beautiful progress on the gorgeous design this scout has put together.

Camping is permitted on the Archery grounds; please contact us for reservations and procedures.

If you'd like to be on our mailing list, write us at the addresses below.

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SCOUT ARCHERY MERIT BADGE PROGRAM

On Saturday, June 12th, Deborah Behrends ran a Scout Archery Merit Badge Program that was a capacity crowd. 20 student scouts, some parents, and a staff of ROs including Dominic D'Ambrosi, John Gorney, Dave Escalante, Sean Ivusic, Matt Thorburn, and Walt Allensworth were on hand to instruct. Dominic did an arrow cutting demonstration, and Walt showed the scouts how to make a bowstring from scratch. This event was enjoyed by all on what would otherwise have simply been a dreary rainy day. Deborah performed a huge service for the scouts and showed us all how to effectively organize and run a top-notch event!



Rifle & Pistol Range Report

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FUTURE ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **THE R&P RANGE WILL BE CLOSED ON SUNDAY, JULY 25 TO FRIDAY, AUGUST 6 FOR BERM WORK.**
- Saturday, September 11 – The Range will be closing at 12:30pm for Hunter Safety.
- Saturday, September 17 – The Range will be closed from 9:00am – 3:00pm for a Scout event.

Sanitizing procedures will continue at the range and in following the County guidelines, we are not requiring masks on the ranges for members and guests who are fully vaccinated. We do encourage members and guests who feel more comfortable wearing a mask to continue to do so.

The range is open to **no more than 3** guests outside of your immediate family household. This is subject to change as we forward in reopening.

PLEASE REMEMBER

- Keep watch on guests you bring. It is your place to brief them on the SOP's.
- Be safe and enjoy the range respectfully.
- All must **PICK UP THEIR BRASS!**

RANGE OFFICER SCHEDULE

JULY

Saturday, July 3	Rogers, B., Suleman, S., Stopher, D.
Sunday, July 4	TBD
Saturday, July 10	Campagna, C., Gori, R., Richards, M., Donovan, P.
Sunday, July 11	Richards, M., Nanof, T., Crowley, D.
Saturday, July 17	Johnson, G.
Sunday, July 18	TBD
Saturday, July 24	Kawamoto, D.
Sunday, July 25	Ives, S., Riccio, R., Stopher, D.
Saturday, July 31	TBD

AUGUST

Sunday, August 1	Spence, P., Reilly, J., King, K.
Saturday, August 7	Rogers, B., Terrell, J., Maisel, J., Koehn, D.
Sunday, August 8	Pedersen, P., Terrell, J., Meima, S.
Saturday, August 14	Gochmour, G., Max, H.
Sunday, August 15	Johnson, G., Gochmour, G., Ossi, G., Naum, S.
Saturday, August 21	Campagna, C., Stopher, D., Koehn, D.
Sunday, August 22	Neilly, J., Reilly, J., Daniel, B.
Saturday, August 28	Hammes, P., Crowley, D., Stemp, K.
Sunday, August 29	Zoulis, T., Adams, J., Spence, P., Stemp, K.

NestWatch Report

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June was an active month for the chapter's NestWatch team. We kept track of seven Tree Swallow nests, which fledged 38 young during the month. Four Eastern Bluebird nests produced 14 fledglings. But most of our attention was focused on our Purple Martin condos comprising two houses containing 14 nesting compartments each and 18 gourds. With completed nests in 44 of 46 total spaces, our team had a lot to do just counting the eggs and young in each nest. The martins began laying eggs during the second week of May; a clutch of new eggs was discovered as late as June 26 during our last nest check. The Purple Martins laid an amazing 232 eggs in that six-week period. As expected, the eggs did not all hatch; to date the martins are rearing 170 chicks with more to come.



Cleaning Purple Martin Gourd
PHOTO BY BRETT DAVIS

About 10 days after the eggs hatch, we discard the first nest and replenish the space with fresh pine needles. This is important to reduce parasite activity in the nests. A second nest change takes place when the martins are 19 to 20 days old. They will fledge at about 28 days old, but unlike Tree Swallows and Eastern Bluebirds, will return to their nests at dusk. Come on out to the chapter and watch these beautiful aviators. By early August, they will have congregated with other Purple Martins and begun their long migration to South America, primarily Brazil, where they will overwinter. Many thanks to Theresa Zmola, Brett Davis and his daughter and her friend, David Escalante and his parents, Ed and Karen Escalante, David Gravalese, and guests Carmel Ballard, Max Freedman and his mother for their energy and efforts.



Four Purple Martin Eggs
PHOTO BY DIANE SEWARD



Three Purple Martin Nestlings,
9 days old, 1 unhatched egg
PHOTO BY DIANE SEWARD



Purple Martins Nestlings on hatch day
PHOTO BY THERESA ZMOLA



Eastern Bluebird Nestlings,
four or five days old
PHOTO BY THERESA ZMOLA

Only 20 Tickets Remain to be Sold!

B-CC IWLA GUN RAFFLE

DONATION IS \$20.00 PER TICKET

**ONLY 500 TICKETS
WILL BE SOLD!!!!**

- WHAT:** A Gun Raffle
- WHY:** Raise funds to benefit the Chapter
- WHO:** Tickets can be sold to Members, Family, Friends, and Colleagues
- WHEN:** Once all of the tickets are sold.
- WHERE:** Drawing will be held at a Monthly Membership Meeting, but you do not have to be present to win.

Stateline Gun Exchange, LLC located in Emmitsburg, MD will provide the following three guns for the raffle:

RETAY 12 GA MASAI MARA SHOTGUN, MAX 5 CAMO or \$700.00

WEATHERBY VANGUARD 270 W/LEOPOLD SCOPE AND DNZ SCOPE MOUNT or \$650.00

TRADITIONS OUTFITTER G2 SS 45/70 RIFLE or \$400.00

Questions or to purchase tickets – contact Carol Hulce-Efdimis at carol2017@aol.com

Father's Day Fishing Derby

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On Father's Day, June 20, 2021, a fishing derby was held at the big pond for adults and youths. A good time was had by all. The derby started at 9:00am and concluded at 12:00 noon.

Prizes were awarded for the largest (total length) fish caught by an adult and youth. Prizes were also awarded for the second and third largest fish as well as the most fish caught. Ten adults and 11 kids



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registered for the event. A total of 56 fish (20 largemouth bass, 35 sunfish, and 1 brown bullhead) were caught. The largest fish caught by an adult was a 14.5 inch largemouth bass while the largest fish caught by a youth was a 12.5 inch brown bullhead. A 13.5 inch and a 12.5 inch large-

mouth bass were the winning catches for second and third place respectively for the adults. For the youth category the second and third largest catches were a 12 inch and 11.5 inch largemouth bass, respectively. The most caught fish by an adult was six while the most caught fish by a



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Why we have family memberships
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youth was eight. Prizes were awarded for these winning catches at the luncheon.

Thanks to Pete Wirth, Frank Parker, Bryan Kurtz, and Charlie Lund for assisting with this derby and for measuring catches of the derby participants. Also, a big thanks to Carol Hulce-Efdimis for her assistance in organizing this event and purchasing the prizes for the various winning categories.

This fishing derby was a first for the chapter in recent years and was considered a great success. All participants caught at least one fish. We plan to hold another derby for youth sometime during the upcoming fall.

**Bethesda-Chevy Chase Chapter
IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE OF AMERICA
FY2021-2022 Operating Budget**

Below is the FY2021-2022 proposed operating budget that will be voted on by the Chapter membership at the monthly membership meeting on Wednesday, August 25, 2021.

ANTICIPATED INCOME	BUDGETED AMOUNT (\$)	ANTICIPATED EXPENSES	BUDGETED AMOUNT (\$)
401 Membership Renewal Fees	\$152,000.00	555 Net Zero	\$100.00
402 New Member Initiation Fees	\$8,000.00	601 Farm Operation	\$13,750.00
403 Shotgun Range Fees	\$22,000.00	603 Farm Equipment Maintenance	\$5,000.00
404 Dinner Meeting Sales	\$9,000.00	604 Gasoline and Diesel	\$1,500.00
405 Rifle & Pistol Range Fees	\$9,000.00	605 Wildlife Management	\$3,000.00
406 Archery Range Fees	\$1,000.00	606 Ponds and Streams	\$6,200.00
407 Family Picnic Auction	\$800.00	607 Forestry Management	\$200.00
408 Dove Shoot and BBQ	\$120.00	609 Trail Maintenance	\$900.00
409 Republican Women's Dinner	\$1,500.00	610 Conservation Education	\$1,000.00
412 Christmas Tree Sales	\$320.00	611 Guide to Conservation Farm	\$0.00
413 Junior Rifle Team	\$0.00	613 Environmental Stewardship	\$7,000.00
416 Keys & Locks	\$600.00	614 Log Cabin Maintenance	\$1,000.00
417 Chapter House Use Donation	\$500.00	615 Floral Gardens	\$400.00
418 Interest	\$500.00	616 Greenhouse	\$500.00
419 Vegetable Garden Plot Use	\$400.00	617 Spring Clean-up	\$400.00
420 Sales B-CC IWLA (Hats, Mugs, etc.)	\$0.00	618 Fall Clean-up	\$400.00
421 Donations and Grants	\$3,000.00	620 Building Maintenance	\$1,250.00
422 Campground Reservations	\$500.00	621 Road Repair & Snow Removal	\$800.00
425 Security Cards	\$1,700.00	622 Kitchen Equipment & Maintenance	\$1,000.00
426 Conservation Education	\$100.00	624 Chapter House Equipment	\$400.00
490 Land Fund Contribution	\$0.00	630 Insurance	\$32,000.00
800 Other	\$2,010.00	631 Newsletter Publishing	\$5,300.00
801 Cash Advance Return	\$500.00	632 Propane	\$3,500.00
802 Boy Scout	\$100.00	633 Trash Removal	\$2,800.00
803 In Lieu of Volunteer Hours	\$18,000.00	634 Electricity	\$3,500.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$231,650.00	635 Telephone	\$1,400.00
ANTICIPATED EXPENSES	BUDGETED AMOUNT (\$)	636 Misc. Administration	\$800.00
501 National and State IWLA Dues	\$50,000.00	637 Operating P-O-L	\$6,200.00
502 Membership Administration	\$2,700.00	638 Internet Web Site Maintenance	\$5,000.00
503 Shotgun Range	\$15,500.00	639 Printing - Administrative	\$500.00
504 Food and Kitchen Supplies	\$8,000.00	640 Postage and Mailing	\$200.00
505 Rifle and Pistol Range	\$4,000.00	641 Security	\$2,000.00
506 Archery Range	\$4,000.00	642 Keys and Locks	\$1,400.00
507 Family Picnic/Auction (Father's Day)	\$1,400.00	644 Memorial and Flowers	\$250.00
508 Dove Shoot BBQ	\$300.00	650 Scout Support	\$1,200.00
509 Republican Women's Dinner	\$550.00	651 Hunter Safety Course	\$1,500.00
510 Wild Game Dinner	\$150.00	652 National Convention MD Room	\$500.00
511 Family Day and Camp Out	\$300.00	653 National & MD IWLA Convention (Travel)	\$3,000.00
512 Christmas Tree	\$500.00	655 Youth Convention	\$200.00
513 Junior Rifle Team	\$0.00	657 Legislative	\$150.00
514 Christmas Party	\$250.00	660 Property Taxes	\$2,500.00
516 Special Event	\$0.00	661 Bank Fees	\$800.00
517 Chapter House Supplies	\$400.00	671 Chapter Awards	\$1,000.00
519 Vegetable Garden	\$700.00	700 Other	\$3,500.00
520 B-CC IWLA Items (Hats, Mugs, etc.)	\$0.00	701 Cash Advance	\$0.00
522 Campground Maintenance	\$3,000.00	809 Donations & Grants	\$8,500.00
523 Summer Biathlon	\$500.00	810 CPA IRS 990 Preparation Fee	\$2,800.00
524 Past Presidents Dinner	\$1,700.00	811 Archives	\$200.00
526 American Chestnut Orchard	\$1,500.00	812 Signage	\$500.00
550 Land Fund (phone-a-thon)	\$150.00	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$231,600.00
SUBTOTAL EXPENSES	\$95,600.00		