



WILDLIFE ACHIEVEMENT CLUB CHAPTER

The Izaak Walton League of America, Inc.

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

P O Box 118, Damascus, MD 20872

Next Membership Meeting WEDNESDAY FEB 24, 1982; Board of Directors WEDNESDAY MAR 10, 1982.

February Membership Meeting will feature a program by Joe Hamilton and a presentation of the filmstrip on endangered species that the Chapter is considering for donation to the libraries of local schools.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DANCE has been cancelled for 1982.

ANNUAL WILD GAME DINNER was a huge success. The Chapter realized a profit and a good time was had by all. Thanks to Bernie Beckman for beverages, Bill Spence for geese, Les Kenney and his kitchen crew, Wanda Dawson for assistance, Bill Rahn for elk, Jim Cross for stew, Leila Wiles for ham and to Charlie Wiles an award for artistic merit, surgical competence or something for the "ears" he created for the Wild Boar. Thanks also to everyone else without whose help the dinner would not have been possible.

Plans are in the works for organized Chapter hunts to provide fare for the 1983 event. Bring your suggestions to a meeting soon.

WOODLAND MANAGEMENT: Call Charlie Wiles (972-1953) if you know of any organizations or individuals with woodlots that the club could manage.

IN A RECENT NEWSLETTER to Hunter Safety Instructors, the Maryland Natural Resources Police gave special thanks to O. S. McCollum and the Wildlife Achievement Chapter for the quality of the course we present.

BULL ROAST: Bill Spence and Chick Chaconas are co-chairmen for the Annual Bull Roast scheduled for June 6. Call Bill (946-7716) to offer assistance.

CHICKEN BAR-B-QUE: Les Kenney has agreed to chair the Annual Chicken Bar-B-Que on August 15. He is also looking for volunteers (253-3430).

THE WILDLIFE ACHIEVEMENT CHAPTER HAS VOTED to continue as an organizational member of the Cold Water Coalition and Trout Unlimited. We frequently provide facilities for meetings. Richard Klein of the Maryland Save Our Streams group will be the guest speaker at our Membership Meeting Wednesday March 24, 1982. Blair Shaw has agreed to handle relations with SOS for the Chapter. Call him (286-2524) for information.

**** A LIST has been prepared of all members who are in arrears for dues and/or MES payments. Both obligations must be met in order to continue your affiliation with the Chapter. The "grace period" (an informal and charitable Chapter practice) expires April 1, 1982. Call Joe Carinci (253-2951) if you have any questions.

THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP WERE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ARE RECOMMENDED FOR MEMBERSHIP ACTION:

		Sponsor
Linda H. Malhas, 4305 Saul Rd, Kensington MD 20895	949-2662	Richard Clark
Samuel A. Horney, 10740 Rte 108, Ellicott City MD 21043	730-5047	Bill Gerwig
George Honadle, 5526 Oakmont Ave, Bethesda MD 20817	897-5725	O. S. McCollum
Ken McDyer,	-	Luther McDyer

THE CHAPTER NEEDS DRAINAGE PIPE for planned improvements to the Range Road. Anyone with any (minimum diameter 15 inches) to donate call Les Kenney (253-3430).

***** COMING EVENTS ON THE RANGES *****

BASIC HANDGUN WORKSHOP on the proper and safe use of handguns will be held on MAY 9 from 9 AM to Noon at the clubhouse. The public is invited and women are encouraged to attend. The \$2.00 registration fee will cover targets and coffee and doughnuts. Guest speakers will provide instruction on types of handguns, their operation, safety, cartridges, firing positions, sight alignment and laws on transport and use. They will supervise shooting on the pistol range as well. Participants should bring their own weapons where possible, ammunition for same, hearing protectors and any other desired personal equipment. There will be a handgun available for those who do not own one. For further information phone Ari Sapir (384-1430).

METALLIC SILHOUETTE SHOOTS will be held on Sunday JUNE 27 and AUGUST 29 at 1 PM, rain or shine. Any centerfire handgun regardless of weight or caliber is eligible; however, guns must have iron sights only. No gun or barrel changes are permitted once shooting begins. We'll shoot at the standard metallic silhouettes; chickens at 25 yards, pigs at 50 yards, turkeys at 75 yards, and rams at 100 yards. For further information, contact Bill Gerwig (286-3935). These events are open to members and their guests only.

AN AUDIT of the Range Records showed everything to be in order. Range fees provide revenue for the Chapter. More volunteer Range Officers are needed. Any range-qualified Chapter is eligible. You are only asked to serve one Saturday or Sunday afternoon per month. It's easy work and you should bring your shotgun because you will probably find time to shoot a bit while on duty. Call Les Kenney (253-3430) to volunteer.

TURKEY SHOOTS have resumed on Saturday nights from 6 to 10 PM. These events are open to the public. Naturally we'd like to see more participation by the members of the Chapter. Prizes are excellent and it's easy to compete.

NEW ELECTRICAL CORDS and plugs are ready for the trap and skeet ranges, only a few more fittings are required for their installation. The bathroom facilities for the Range House will be operable when weather permits excavation for the sewerage.

THERE IS A SIGN-UP SHEET in the Range House for members who want to help with the range improvements. Next time you shoot, sign up to donate a little time for the benefit of the Chapter.

MARCH RANGE ROSTER

SAT	3/6	1	Smith DeForce	460-8762	SAT	3/20	1	Bill Rahn	774-6234
		2	Joe Schoppelrei	681-6537			2	Bill Maneely	972-3674
SUN	3/7	1	O. S. McCollum	286-3707	SUN	3/21	1	Dick Curtis	384-6267
		2	John Ogilvie	774-2551			2	Rick Insley	531-5961
SAT	3/13	1	Bob Rodkey	869-2592	SAT	3/27	1	Rick Egarter	-
		2	Dave Anderson, Sr.	585-1053			2	Jim Lombardo	-
SUN	3/14	1	Rick Sommer	253-6380	SUN	3/28	1	Bill Spence	946-7716
		2	Addison Carracciola	681-6923			2	Brian Baldwin	869-7016

Alternates Claggett Warfield 926-2515; Ed Totah 762-1710

DUE TO RICOCHETS, 25-yard targets on both the rifle and pistol ranges are temporarily out of service. Shooters may continue to fire at other distances. Please do not use pistols on the Rifle Range. When the road is cabled off, do not drive on or beside it. Parking is available at the Range House or off Mullinix Mill Rd beneath the power lines.

Newsletter submitted by Richard G. Sommer, Corresponding Secretary, 253-6380.