



WILDLIFE ACHIEVEMENT CLUB CHAPTER

The Izaak Walton League of America, Inc

APRIL NEWSLETTER

P.O. Box 118, Damascus, MD 20872

Next Membership Meeting WEDNESDAY APR 28, 1982; Board of Directors WEDNESDAY MAY 12, 1982.

The April Membership Meeting will feature Pat Cullen from Gustin Gardens Nursery with tips for getting yards and lawns ready for spring and how to care for them in the summer.

Wildlife Achievement Club Chapter received a Membership Achievement Award for our continued success in recruiting. This recognizes us for increasing our strength by 10% over the previous year.

Bill Spence and Paul Jackson have been joined by Bob Moore, Bob Lilly, and Dick Schaefer on the new Membership Committee. Policies are now in the works to bring new members directly into more Club activities early in their membership. Joe Carinci has new applications and membership forms under design after consulting with this revitalized committee.

Members are now being asked to wear their Chapter name tags to club functions. If you don't own one of these attractive badges, call Bob Lilly (942-7935) and he'll make one for you.

BIG SPRING CLEAN UP DAYS are SATURDAY and SUNDAY May 1 and 2. Many chores have piled up over the winter, now is the time to spruce up the club, picnic area, grounds, ranges and barbeque area. Set aside an hour or so to join fellow members and help out. Call Les Kenney (253-3430) to find out how you can assist. Jobs include mending the range perimeter fence and paint touch up for the Range House and BarBQue and assembly of 20 new picnic tables among others. Materials are one hand, jobs are ready, all we need is a bit of your time from 8 AM to 5 PM either day. Even an hour will help a lot.

BULL ROAST & RAFFLE TICKETS are in the mail. If you account for two books of raffle tickets and attend the roast it will be an enormous success. Good food, live Blue Grass music, kids and adults games and some pretty terrific prizes are available. Call Chic Chaconas (598-7888) or Bill Spence (946-7716) if you'd like to help put this on. RESPOND EARLY WITH YOUR TICKET SALES TO CHIC. Don't wait to send in the money for raffle either, send it to him as you sell the chances. The sooner Chic and Bill know how many to plan on the better.

CLUB HATS are on order and should be available soon. Call Les Kenney (253-3430) to find out how to get one of these distinctive club items.

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

| | Sponsor |
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| Kenneth R. Clore, 9801 Georgia Ave, Silver Spring MD 20902, | 774-4371 Chic Chaconas |
| Robert DeFayette, 10920 Middleboro Dr, Damascus MD 20872 | 253-5556 Earl Dickinson |
| Curt T. Hirrlinger, 1517 W Kersey Lane, Rockville MD 20854 | 251-1198 Les Kenney |
| Anne R. Mahassel, 4806 Aspen Hill Rd, Rockville MD 20853 | Richard Clark |
| John M. McAbee, 417 Muddy Branch Rd, #203, Gaithersburg MD 20878 | 963-2422 Steve Schneider Randy Reynolds |
| John A. Walter, 2916 University Blvd W, Kensington MD 20895 | 946-6001 Bill Spence Steve Schneider |
| Donald P. Kaelber, 17654 Amity Dr, #102, Gaithersburg MD 20877 | 977-1014 Bill Rahn |
| Paul Skopik, Jr., 60 W Deer Park Rd, #202, Gaithersburg MD 20877 | 977-7450 Bill Rahn |

A. B. VEIRS AND DONNY PLEASANT HAVE ARRANGED TO MOVE THE 12 LOADS OF CRUSHED STONE FROM ROCKVILLE CRUSHED STONE TO THE CLUB GROUNDS IN THE NEAR FUTURE. CLUB ROADS WILL SOON BE MUCH IMPROVED BY THEIR GENEROUS EFFORTS.

TREE PLANTING: CHARLIE WILES and his John Appleseed-like henchmen arranged to plant 500 or so white pines on April 15. These seedlings will soon provide some cover and a source of revenue as they mature.

Other recent club acquisitions include plywood for pistol range roofing and railroad rails for the mounting of metallic silhouette targets. Pistol and Rifle buffs should contact Ari Sapir (384-1430) and Skip Johnston (831-6680) for details of these projects.

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PISTOL AND RIFLE RANGES ARE TO BE CLOSED AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES: JUNE 6 1 PM to 5:30 PM: JUNE 19 ALL DAY; AUGUST 15 12 NOON to 5:30 PM.

These closings are for safety reasons due to large attendance expected at three social events. THE RANGES WILL BE POSTED AS A REMINDER AS WELL.

METALLIC SILHOUETTE HANDGUN PRACTICE will be held on SATURDAY APR 24 from 10 AM to 5 PM rain or shine. No charge. Handguns only. Members and Guests only - this will allow you to learn the basics of silhouette shooting and see how your firearms perform. The rifle range will be closed for this event. Call Bill Gerwig (286-3935) for details

BASIC HANDGUN WORKSHOP on the proper and safe use of handguns will be held SUNDAY May 9 from 9 AM to NOON at the clubhouse. The public is invited and women in particular are encouraged to attend. The \$2.00 registration fee covers targets, coffee and doughnuts. FBI Special Agent Phil Mostrom will be the featured speaker. William Faust of the Montgomery County Police Department may also speak. Types of handguns, how to operate them safely, cartridge types, firing positions, sight alignment and Maryland law relative to transport and use of handguns will all be covered. Those of you familiar with Phil's Hunter Safety presentations know the fine job he does. Don't miss this event. There will also be supervised shooting on the pistol range for participants. If possible, participants should bring their own weapons, ammunition and hearing protection. Phone Ari Sapir (384-1430) for further details.

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 may have iron sights only. No gun or barrel changes are permitted once shooting starts. The rifle range will be closed for these events. Call Bill Gerwig (286-3935) for more details.

TURKEY SHOOTS will resume the first SATURDAY in September.

TRAP AND SKEET SHOOTING are excellent spring and summer pastimes. Bring your shotgun to the club any Saturday or Sunday from about noon until 5 PM and enjoy these sports as you improve your wing shooting skill. Range instructors are on hand at these times to show you the basics. Call Les Kenney (253-3430) or JR Ale (946-6718) for information.

On April 3 the Maryland Natural Resources unit conducted recertification for our Hunter Safety Instructors. Nine Wildlife Achievement Club members participated and enjoyed the program. The club will now plan its Hunter Safety Courses for the 1982-83 hunting seasons.

Save Our Streams events include a Water Sampling session April 18. Participants were taught how to take the samples then proceeded to various area streams and ponds to assess their water quality for fish life. Meetings are planned for FRIDAYS APR 30 and MAY 16 at the club. Phone Blair Shaw (286-2524) for details.

The Frederick Post of Monday April 13 included a detailed summary of Maryland's State Handgun Laws.

Several Good Dates are available this spring, summer and fall for club rentals. If you or any group you're part of needs a great place for a picnic or social event, contact Les Kenney (253-3430) for details.

The Wildlife Achievement Club Chapter is planning to create a Legislative Committee. Any members interested can call Charlie Wiles (972-1953) for details.

MAY RANGE ROSTER

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| SAT | 5/1 | 1 | Smith DeForce | 460-8762 | SUN | 5/16 | 1 | Dick Curtis | 384-6367 |
| | | 2 | Jeff Moler | 948-0061 | | | 2 | Bill Maneely | 972-3674 |
| SUN | 5/2 | 1 | Joe Schoppelrei | 681-6537 | SAT | 5/22 | 1 | Rick Egerter | 384-6436 |
| | | 2 | O. S. McCollum | 286-3707 | | | 2 | | |
| SAT | 5/8 | 1 | Bob Rodkey | 829-2193 | SUN | 5/23 | 1 | Bill Spence | 946-7716 |
| | | 2 | Claggett Warfield | 926-2515 | | | 2 | John Ogilvie | 774-2551 |
| SUN | 5/9 | 1 | Addison Carracciola | 681-6923 | SAT | 5/29 | 1 | Dave Anderson | 585-1053 |
| | | 2 | Brian Baldwin | 869-7016 | | | 2 | | |
| SAT | 5/15 | 1 | Bill Rahn | 774-6234 | SUN | 5/30 | 1 | Jim Lombardo | 776-6024 |
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AS YOU CAN SEE, WITH SPRING'S ARRIVAL WE'RE SHORT A FEW RANGE OFFICERS. IF YOU CAN ASSIST FOR A SATURDAY OR SUNDAY AFTERNOON, CALL LES KENNEY (253-3430) TO FILL THESE GAPS. ITS EASY WORK AND THERE IS USUALLY PLENTY OF TIME TO SHOOT ROUNDS OF TRAP OR SKEET WHILE YOU'RE ON DUTY. SIGN UP NOW!

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