APRIL 1995



IWLA Wildlife Achievement Chapter P.O. Box 118; Damascus, MD 20872 301-253-2384

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adopt-A-Road cleanup for Mullinix Mill Road is scheduled for Saturday 3/25 at 9 am. We need 6 good IKES to work for 1 hour. Call Bob Mabie 301-774-4122.

Range Cleanup for March is Sunday 3/26/95 at 10 am. Meet at the metal shed. We will be cutting back the brush along the range road. Bring gloves, saws, clippers, etc. if you have them.

Conservation Woodlot Cleanup for Chapter grounds on Saturday April 1 at 8:30 am. Breakfast and lunch provided for volunteers. Call Rick Sommer 301-253-6380 or Bill Kelly at 301-253-5009.

Conservation Committee Meeting is April 4 at 7:45 pm. Call Rick Sommer at 301-253-6380.

Christmas Tree Seedlings Planting is the first or second weekend in April. Need volunteers for 4 hours to plant seedlings. Lunch served. Call Bob Mabie 301-774-4122.

Board Meeting for April is Wednesday 4/12/95 at 7:30 pm.
Membership Meeting for April is Wednesday 4/26/95 8 pm.
Special Dinner on March 17 was canceled - lack of interest.
Wanted: Heavy duty chipper for loan or donation. We need this for brush removal and mulching our trees. Call Bill Kelly at 301-253-5009.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS - THANK YOUS

IWLA Calendar - Thanks to Joe Carinci for gathering the information and to Mike McAuley for an outstanding job of presenting and publishing the information. Hats off to both of you for your efforts on this project. (The printing didn't do justice to the superb layout which Mike developed).

Range - Thanks to the IKES who helped with the February range cleanup/fixup: Chris Christensen & son James, Phil Dean, Bill Gazdik, Nicholas Guiliano, Al Hraft and son Nick, Murray Hunt Sr., Bill Kelly, Archie McAlister, Larry Palmer, Doug Sands, Jim Schinner, John Walter.

Donation of a coffee machine for Rathskeller by Ari Sapir.

MARCH MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday March 22, 1995 7:00 social 7:30 dinner at Chapter Club House.

Phil Hider will talk about the US Constitution from an Englishman's perspective.

February dinner winner was Edward E. Williams, Jr. Raffle prizes for the February meeting donated by Atlantic Guns.

THE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

met February 7 and is announcing three upcoming projects:

- 1) On Saturday April 1 from 8:30 am until, the committee is organizing a Conservation Woodlot Work Day. We will focus on our property from the Archery area down through the picnic area and one below, and to the left of our Skeet and Trap Ranges. Coffee and donuts at the 8:30 shape-up and a hearty lunch at noon. Bring work gloves and proper work clothes. We expect every Chapter member's support and will be calling for volunteers.
- 2) Later in 1995 we will sponsor a **community forum** on **conservation and population issues.** We will arrange for speakers, presentations and an open community discussion at this important event. The idea is to present the issues and encourage thought, discussions and perhaps some consensus.
- 3) Looking toward 1996, the committee wiil organize a **Patuxent River Clean-up Day** to revive a very successful previous program of our Chapter. Look for further information in this NewsLetter, or better yet, **reserve some time on the first Tuesday of each month to attend our Conservation Committee meetings**. Call Rick Sommer, Chairman at 301-253-6380 for details.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

- Gun & Sport Show May 6-7, 1995 at Club. Pick up flyers at the Club and distribute them. Contact Ari Sapir 301-384-1430.
- SKEET CLINIC is being planned for sometime in March, weather permitting. A signup sheet will be available in the Range House. Details to follow.
- Wild Turkey Classes are scheduled at the Chapter on Saturday March 25 (adults) and Saturday April 8 (kids).
- Turkey Shoots Saturday nights (Sept thru April) at 6:30.

FRIENDS OF THE NRA DINNER Friday, April 7

Cocktails 6:30 pm, Dinner 8:00 pm RIO Marriott Hotel, Gaithersburg

Cost: \$40 each or \$350 per table of 10

Special raffle for a Beretta Model 92 - \$20 per ticket (only 100 tickets will be sold). This event will be a silent auction on various guns. Proceeds to support NRA. If interested contact Joe Abosso 301-299-6679 or John Williams 301-365-0411 of the Rockville IWLA Chapter for tickets and reservations. The Wildlife Achievement Chapter is trying to get 4 tables of 10 persons each to support this event.

RANGE OFFICERS - April 1995

Addition of the series of the							
	Skeet, Tra	ap and 5 Stand)	phone 301-253-4779				
	Sat 4/1	Bob Cooley, Lee Slavin, Bob Woodward					
	Sun 4/2	Ed Bennett, John Corbin, Bill Wright,					
	Sat 4/8	John Dyer, Mac McCollum, Bill Rahn					
	Sun 4/9	Peter Currall, Dave Gold, Chuck Crooks, Alan Newcomer					
	Sat 4/15	Beryl Cherney, Fre	d Cherney, Cornel Kittell				
	Sun 4/16		(Easter) If we have any volunteers to serve, we will open. Call Bill Rahn.				
	Sat 4/22	Bob Sadler, Weldo Humphries	n Humphries, Nancy				
	Sun 4/23	Rick Murphy, Mik Marnane	e Merollini, Marc Grimes, Bill				
	Sat 4/29	Tim Ouellette, Ton	n Ouellette, Jean Caffiaux				
	Sun 4/30	Roy Griesler, Tom	Lohm, Jim Malone				
	Range Offic	cers: If you have a pr	oblem with your range				
		assignments, ple	ease contact Bill Rahn.				

SPRING SHOTGUN TOURNAMENT

Our Spring All-gauge (except 10) Shotgun Tournament will start the first weekend in June. Substantial prizes will go to the winners in Skeet, 5-Stand, and Trap - and to the High Overall Shooter.

The Lewis Class System will be employed to level the competition. Entrants in all three events can buy a discounted ticket. Full dates and details will be repeated in the May NewsLetter, and on the bulletin board. Event planners are Bill Rahn and John Dyer.

February Winner of the Skeet/Trap/5 Stand Discount Card Drawing was John Dyer. Pick up a free box of shells at a Membership Meeting - (winners must attend a Membership meeting to collect their prize).

RANGE CLEANUP will be held on the Skeet, Trap, and 5 Stand on Sunday, April 9 at 10 am

EDITORS NOTE: Spring is just around the corner and we IKES are starting to clean our guns and think about shooting at the Chapter ranges. This is also the time that active, dedicated members of the Chapter do a special "spring cleanup" on our facilities and ranges. This NewsLetter mentions a number of upcoming projects that will improve the facilities which we all use. Please do yourself and your fellow Ikes a favor - volunteer for several of these projects. **Your time and effort is needed and appreciated.** Who knows, you'll probably have some fun, meet some interesting people with interests similar to yours, get some exercise, and help improve the Chapter facilities for your own personal use as well as the use of others. Don't stand on the sidelines and watch - **participate!!!**

NEW MEMBERS							
Chen, LCDR D.W.	9820 Islandside Dr,	Silver Spring,	MD 20879	301-548-1092	Sponsor: Bill Schneider		
Coco, Joseph A.	12512 Willow Spring Cr,	Germantown,	MD 20874	301-540-3672	Sponsor: BOD		
Geruntho, John	1432 Lakeforest,	Gaithersburg,	MD 20879	301-330-1824	Sponsor: Earl Dickinson		
Gilpin, Joe	4201 Briars Rd,	Olney,	MD 20832	301-774-9057	Sponsor: Paul Hancock		
Hackley, George A.	22613 Griffith Dr,	Laytonsville,	MD 20882	301-972-2517	Sponsor: Ken Putkovich		
Heffernan, Michael	2726 Ashmont Terrace,	Silver Spring,	MD 20906	301-598-1872	Sponsor: Bill Schneider		
Lynch, Larry	10148 Clearspring Rd,	Damascus,	MD 20872	301-253-2248	Sponsor: Ed Bennett		
Mora, Anthony	4316 Independence St,	Rockville,	MD 20853	301-949-8844	Sponsor: Charles Kirchman		
Peterson, David V	13620 Jacqueline Ct,	Silver Spring,	MD 20904	301-384-3625	Sponsor: Peter Corrall		
Sass, Neil L	12900 Fork Rd,	Baldwin,	MD 21013	410-592-7661	Sponsor: BOD		
Wilhelm, John M, Jr	15410 Peach Orchard Rd,	Silver Spring,	MD 20905	301-384-3331	Sponsor: BOD		

The Waltonian know Pledge

"To strive for the purity of water, the clarity of air, and the wise stewardship of the land and its resources, to the beauty and understanding of nature, and the value of wildlife, woodlands, and open space; to the preservation of this heritage and to man's sharing in it." "I pledge myself as a member of the Izaak Walton League of America."

Saturday April 1, 1994

(rain date: Sunday April 2) 8:30 AM to 2:30 pm

Conservation Committee Sponsors The Woodlot Cleanup! (and lunch)

Meet at the Chapter House - Any Time You can Spare is Welcome

You need: Heavy gloves, work shoes, and hand tools (if you've got 'em):

rakes, shovels, saws, chainsaws, wheelbarrows, brush hooks, axes.

If you chose any of the following as your interests:

Conservation

Timber Management

Forestry

Save Our Streams

Woodcutters

House & Grounds

Archery

Spring Cleanup

We need you Saturday April 1, 1995.

"Many hands make light work."

If you use the Chapter facilities, this is a great chance to give a little back by joining us to work on cleaning out our woodlot!

Lunch will be served. We expect to finish by 2pm.

Call

Conservation Chairman Rick Sommer

301-253-6380 301-253-5009

Cleanup Foreman

Bill Kelly

Archery Chairman John Walter 1-301-371-7036.

Black Powder Rifle Shoot

The Second Annual Chapter Black Powder Rifle Shoot will be held Saturday April 22 from 10 am to 2 pm on the rifle range.

- This is an informal muzzle loading shooting event for both new and experienced shooters.
- Instruction will be given and muzzle loading rifles will be available for your use if you don't have your own.
- · Bring a non-member guest along with you and introduce her/him to our rifle range and shooting activities.
- Some 50-50 matches will be fired for those of you who want the excitement and competition.
- Targets will be furnished.
- Bring your own eye and hearing protection.
- A \$5.00 registration fee for each participant.

Based on last year's experience, you will have the opportunity to see many different kinds of muzzle loading rifles and learn much from talking with the other participants. Contact Phil Dean (301-831-9325) for information and to volunteer to assist with supervision and instruction.

Youth Outreach

One of the youth outreach activities of the Wildlife Achievement Chapter, IWLA, is its support of youth marksmanship and firearms safety by making the Chapter house available to the Damascus Air Rifle Club for its program. There are currently 18 boys and girls participating in an organized air rifle program on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. They all have received gun safety instruction and use it while they practice for, and participate in, air rifle matches.

The competition is both "shoulder to shoulder" with other teams in the area and "postal match" competition against teams throughout the US. The Thursday evening group of marksmen under the coaching of chapter member Jack Roberts, was the top team in a recent 17 team competition.

In addition to this ongoing program, the chapter makes the indoor range available for youth instruction courses. There have been two classes this year for new shooters in the community and a Boy Scout troop has scheduled a shooting merit badge instruction to be held in March.