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CHAPTER NEWS, EVENTS AND ARTICLES

Fellow Ikes,

Do you have your tickets yet? The Wild Game Dinner & Auction is scheduled for Saturday, 22 January 2011 which is rapidly approaching and while there are still plenty of tickets left, this even tends to sell out every year so don't wait till the last minute. This year, in addition to a selection of Wild Game, our chefs are planning a Steamship Round of Beef for those who prefer Domesticated Game. Tickets are on sale for \$20.00 each and are available at the Shotgun Range House and also at the Membership Dinner Meeting on 17 December 2010. There may be a few for sale at the door, but there is no guarantee, as we are limited to 150 Tickets. Auction items are starting to pile up, we have some reloading equipment, some books, tools, six different weeks at the resort in Key Largo, Florida and, as usual, good food and a whole lot of laughter. Auction items can be viewed starting at 3:00pm with silent auctions and a few early bird items starting at 6:00pm.

The dates for the vacation weeks at Port Largo Villas Resort in Key Largo, Florida are listed below. Additional information about the facility can be viewed online at their website, www.PortLargoVillas.Org. The weeks run Friday to Friday with Check-In at 4:00pm and Check-Out at 10:00am. These weeks have been very popular in the past and many of the auction winners have been repeat bidders from prior years. The spring is an awesome time to be in the Florida Keys and for those of you who are scuba divers, August is just incredible with water temperatures around 86 degrees.

Friday, 25 March 2011 - Friday, 1 April 2011

Friday, 1 April 2011 - Friday, 8 April 2011

Friday, 8 April 2011 - Friday, 15 April 2011

Friday, 15 April 2011 - Friday, 22 April 2011

Friday, 12 August 2011 - Friday, 19 August 2011

Friday, 19 August 2011 - Friday, 26 August 2011

So, come on out, buy your ticket, have some fun, eat some good food, buy some stuff, and support your club.

Hope to See You At The Dinner and Happy Bidding!!

To those of you who have NOT renewed your membership

Your membership in the IWLA officially ended on December 31st. There are over 250 members who have not renewed. A second bill was sent on January 3rd. This required a lot of work an unnecessary expense. _____
As you know from the past, it takes several weeks to get your new membership card. I will try and get your coveted Range Card to you quicker, but it still takes processing and mailing time.

As a courtesy, we will honor your 2010 card on the ranges until January 14th. As of January 15th, your Key Access Card will be deactivated until your payment is received, and you will not be allowed to shoot on any range without your 2011 card in your possession and visibly displayed. Any exceptions will be considered a violation of range rules and disciplinary action may be taken.

Your original bill was sent over 4 month ago. Any problems could have been avoided with a timely payment.

Any payments received after February 1, 2011 will require an additional \$25.00 late fee to be added. Any payments not received by January 31st not including this fee will be returned for the additional fee.

Joe Gick, Membership Secretary

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Tom Riley .22 Fun Shoot Saturday_12/11/10 -MERRY CHRISTMAS, TOMMY!-

Article submitted by Judy Riley

(For those who enjoy this event, be sure to save the following—next scheduled—dates: Saturdays, 10:00am-2:00pm 05/07/11, 07/30/11 and 12/10/11 (double check the website calendar) and sign-in for the Rifle Range. Please contact Jesse Lim alphashooter@usa.com or 240.832.0354 should you have any questions.

This, by the way, is a great family event!

We had a pretty good turn out on this date. Those who attended the Fun Shoot (plus the Tree Sales Volunteers) were treated to donuts, coffee, hot chocolate, sodas, burgers and, a wreath of yummy barbequed wings:



Jesse Lim, CRSO—who was also our Chief Barbeque Officer of the Day—and Judy Riley, RSO provided these welcomed goodies....



Jesse, secure in his own manhood, even shot Cherie Aker's PINK .22 Ruger 10/22...nice! (Photos provided by Jean Aker.)



It appears, Cherie's 10/22 was a hot number...Jean Aker had fun plinking with it too!

Colorful holiday balloons of red, green, gold, blue and silver added to the enjoyment of all those who participated; they provided a welcome challenge! We all sure had a good time. Attendees included some new members and long-time members...quite a few sharp shooters were on hand:



Jose



Maybe: Karl Krchma? Pam, Hans & Candy



Jay and Chance*



50/75/100



Patrick, David, Marc

*Chance, our youngest participant, is a real sharpshooter!

A few of the Holiday Tree/Wreath Sales Volunteers took a break to join us for some lunch...(It's c-o-l-d in that Green Shed folks!)



John O'Malley, Kory Wells, Herb Sutcliffe

Be Safe and have a Happy New Year! Thanks for coming out!

Rifle and Pistol Report: By Jesse-Thomas Lim and Wendy Smith

On behalf of the entire Rifle and Pistol RSO Committee, we hope that everyone enjoyed the holiday season and extend their best wishes for good health, happiness and safe shooting through the New Year.

The RSO Safety Officers for the 2011 – 2013 term are as follows, and can be identified by wearing an orange WAC RSO badge:

Al Goldschmidts, Alan Palestine, Andrew Cooke, Barry Ephriam, Bill Gazdik, Bruce Roth, Danny Smith, Darryl Mattheis, David Tung, Dennis Crossen, Heather Barber, Hiem Trang, J. Gregg McDonald, James Fort, John Mullaney, John Randall, Jose Tassara, Joseph Smith, Judy Riley, Ken Lefebvre, Kip Shapiro, Lou Knapp, Marc Hinthier, Mike Canter, Nick Peters, Paolo Amadeo, Peter Gracyalny, Rick Thornley, Steve Peck, Terry Popkin, Tim Urban, Wade Dayberry and Wendy Smith.

The NRA Basic Pistol Classes are posted on the WAC calendar and registration will begin via special WAC email announcement prior to the classes. The schedule is as follows:

First session: March 20th and April 3rd

Second session: May 1 and May 22nd

Final session: October 22 and November 13th (Ladies Daughters and Teens class)

Please stay tuned for specific information coming by way of the email announcement.

Christmas Trees Update by Wade Dayberry and Wendy Smith:

The 2010 Christmas Trees selling season was greeted and accommodated by much better weather from Mother Nature than in 2009. We are glad to report we had just about \$1500 in sales, including some generous donations. Thank you to our many, many dedicated volunteers who came out to help with sales! If you don't see your name on the work credits section this month, please email Wendy Smith and she'll work with Nick to get it updated.

One of the many highlights of the selling season was the arrival of Tom, Shelley and their crew. They arrive in a large group, music playing and they set out on a trek to find the largest tree! After a short visit back past the shotgun range, they appeared with a large tree that needed to be pulled out via four-wheel drive and nearly took 30 or more minutes to load. They graciously invited us to see the tree after they got it into the house! They willingly accept the fact they need to fix their door jams after getting such a huge tree into their house. Thanks again to Tom, Shelley, their family and friends for coming to WAC year over year to get their tree!



SKEET AND TRAP

IWLA RANGE ROSTER 2011 (Bob Cooley)

February

Sat 2/5 Tim Mulreaney, Gary Green, Jay Jeffrey

Sun 2/6 Paul Turska, Jake Turska, Mark Gay

Sat 2/12 Paul Fisher, Debbi Perry, Maj Tavakoli

Sun 2/13 Seamus Webb, Mike Webb, Murray Welsh

Sat 2/19 Mike Bowen, Ira Wein, Gerhard Bartsch

Sun 2/20 Jim Crowell, Judy Crowell, Joel Gross

Sat 2/26 Bill Rahn, Charlie Weaver, Bob Cooley

Sun 2/27 Dave Stevenson, Bob Poth, Jay DeVan

Substitutes

Berle Cherney, John Davis, Robin Moore, George King, Gary Giambalvo, Jim Arnold, Mash Esfanaji, Mary Esfanaji

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Range Maintenance

November 21

Range Maintenance:

Berle Cherney, and Bill Murphy

Chapter Maintenance Day

December 19

Wood Cutting:

Don Hunt, Bill Hunt, Guy Wright, Al Goldschmidts, Don Veals, John Leaman, Tom Ouellette, Tex Welch, Beth Welch, Joe Pauley, Nat Pauley, Sheridan Pauley, Steve Peck, David Jobes, Robert Mongelluzzo, Paolo Amedeo, William D. Seested, John H. Davis Jr., Matt Boron, Mike Fitzgerald, Ravi Goonasekeram, Gabriel Taylor, Scott Fass, J Delhuder, Chuck Crooks, David Dassoulas, Mark Nestor, Shaw Handi and Mike Pittard

Range Maintenance:

Jay DeVan, Richard Young and Sam Young

Green Shed:

Mary Esfanaji and Mash Esfanaji

Christmas Tree Sales for December

Barb Flook and husband, Matt Heimbach, Karl Huber, Alex Huber, Stephen McCaskill, Herb Sutcliffe, John O'Malley, Kory Wells, Peter Ott, John F. Scheck, Alfred Shupe, Star Mitchell, Brian Van Winkle, Tim Sugrue, Nick Borneman, Terry Roach, Bill Magers, Mike Laroi, Gerhard Bartsch, Tom Felten, Sydney Nalley, Chip Schwartz, Chester Tan, Ravi Goonasekeram, Gregg McDonadl, Joe McDonald, Nate Goonasekeram, Steve Schertler, Tim Sugrue, James Miles, Brandon Miles, Pat Mills, Brien Van Winkle, Rory Wally, Russell Lahti, Lillion Lahti, Pete Ott, Steve McKaskill, Alf Shupe, James Denaro, Evan Cohen, Matthew Heimbach, Matthew Phillips, Danny Smith and Smith.

Green Shed:

John Leaman

Some names appear more than once because the member worked on different days.

Board Meeting / Kitchen Help

December 1 Board Meeting

Brian Farrell and Hunter Linton

December 12 Holiday Dinner

Chet Linton

January 4 Board Meeting

Shawn Hendi, Tim Hutchison, Yasha Toufanian, Eric Remmian and Scott Gavel

Ed McNally put these members to work on some needed projects in the kitchen.

Congratulations to the following probationary members who have successfully completed their probation and are now graduated to Full Member status.

Alfred Shupe

Matt Boron

David Jobes

Ravi Goonasekeram

Jeff Opiekun

Reminder to our New Members:

Keep track of the Activities that you have participated in. Remember you need to complete a minimum of two activities in EACH year of your probationary period. Each period is 12 months starting on your acceptance as a probationary member.

Also, one of the activities each year MUST be conservation in nature. Check the IWLA Web site www.damascusiwla.org for upcoming activities.

If your name does not appear in this issue of the newsletter and you have volunteered and signed an activity sheet, please send an email with your information to:

nicolasgiu@yahoo.com

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS (Jim Piateski at jimpiateski@verizon.net)

Thanks to Nicolas Giuliano for mailing the printed version of the newsletter every month. Thanks to Nick Giuliano ,Wendy Smith ,Jesse Lim, Judy Riley, Chuck Limparis, Wade Dayberry , Joe Gick and Bob Cooley for their contributions to this newsletter. Thanks to Chuck Crooks for posting the newsletter on the web in such a timely fashion.

If anyone has an article, picture or topic, which they wish to have included in future newsletters, send to Jim Piateski at jimpiateski@verizon.net and include some contact info in case there are questions. If you have photographs of chapter events that you would like to share with the membership in the on-line newsletter, please send them to Jim Piateski at the above email address. Please include the names of those pictured as well as the date and name of the event.

If you would like to receive a printed newsletter, write to

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