

# Wildlife Gazette Wildlife Achievement Chapter

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# CHAPTER NEWS AND EVENTS

It's Time Again for our WAC Elections (Cherie Aker)

The Board of Directors Slate is presented below:

President – Paul Turska

First Vice President – John Porter

Second Vice President – Jesse Lim

Third Vice President – Joe Pauley

Membership Secretary – Chuck Crooks

Parliamentarian - Ken Lefebvre

Recording Secretary – John Hartwell

Corresponding Secretary – Jim Piateski

Treasurer – Steve Lefebvre

Sergeant at Arms – Rich Fried

Chaplain – Adol Owen-Williams II

2022-2023 Directors – 3 positions available – nominees are:

- Jean Aker
- Dave Goldberg
- John Walter
- Kevin Wolfe
- Hans Varmer

Directors: 2021-2022 – Joe Pauley, Dave Lane, Tom Ouellette, John Porter Every Board position in open for nominations. To be eligible for any Board position – the nominee must not be a probationary member. Nominations from the floor may be made at the July Membership Meeting. The elections will take place during the August Membership meeting.

Board Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month – hours are voluntary. Responsibilities for each Board of Director positions can be viewed on the WAC Website.

http://www.damascusiwla.org/#BOD

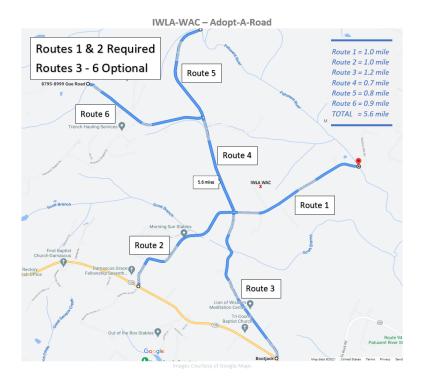
If you would like to be considered for ANY Board of Directors position – please contact Cherie Aker – Chairperson of the 2022 nomination committee at Cherie.aker@gmail.com. Elected Board Members are sworn in during the December Membership Meeting.

#### **Conservation** (Jim McInernery)

Check Chapter calendar for more upcoming events

The May 14, 2021 Wildlife Achievement Chapter Adopt-A-Road clean up event was a big success! We had 10 volunteers show up bright-eyed and bushy-tailed to help out. It was a beautiful day for it, with temperatures in the 60s, and everyone was in good spirits.

Our volunteers not only covered the required two mile stretch on Mullinix Mill Road – routes 1 and 2, but went above and beyond and also covered an additional four miles on Long Corner and Gue Road – routes 3, 4, 5 and 6.



The normal trash that could be bagged, 20 large contractor bags in all and most three quarter full, included the usual items typically found on the side of the road – beer/water/soda bottles and cans, empty cigarette packs, as well as miscellaneous plastic and styrofoam rubbish. One volunteer found a perfectly functional large pruning shears in the ditch along the side of Long Corner Road. He donated it to the chapter, and it will no doubt be put to good use in the future.



Three additional pick-up sites were also generated for items that could not be bagged – items such as wheel rims, door frames and a trampoline. These sites were geo-tagged and reported to the county.





Judy Riley lent a hand by being the "rover" for the event and her help and support, as always, is greatly appreciated.

Thank you to all who volunteered and followed our State and County safety precautions for this event. Without your help, our chapter's ongoing conservation efforts would not be possible.

Our May 14th Adopt-A-Road Volunteers were:

Judy RileyNeil BensonBill DoerrlerGerry BenedickGinny BunkeFred BunkeWill DavenportGeorge BoyceBob KalbacherKevin LimparisVernon King JrJames McInerney

James McInerney, Adopt-A-Road Chair jamespmcinerney@gmail.com/240.426.7474

# **Shotgun Range Schedule** (Steve Olsen)

#### July 2021

Sat	7/3	Bob Shelley, Jim Shay
Sun	7/4	Steve Myers
Wed	7/7	Jeremy Dvorak, Jay Jeffrey
Sat	7/10	Ryan Turner
Sun	7/11	Gerhard Bartsch, Joel Gross
Wed	7/14	Frank Bis, Dan Walker
Sat	7/17	Murray Welsh, Dave Anderson
Sun	7/18	Hank Williams
Wed	7/21	Larry Buck
Sat	7/24	Phil Butler
Sun	7/25	Dave Stevenson
Wed	7/28	Bob Wolfe
Sat	7/31	Doug Chapman, Al Cross

## **Rifle/ Pistol Committee** (Hans Varmer)

The second installment of the **Precision Pistol Challenge** (PPC) is on Wednesday, June 16.

#### What

The PPC events are designed to help pistol shooters develop their skills in exercises that will challenge their accuracy by using both strong and weak hand positions, shooting one and two hand positions, shooting at various distances, and working under time restraints.

Shooters will provide their own pistols or 6-shot revolvers (caliber of their own choice) and factory ammunition. Club will provide the targets.

#### Who

The PPC events are open to WAC members and family only. It is recommended that shooters are **thoroughly** familiar with their guns. This is NOT a teaching event, and experience will be necessary to complete the stages on time.

#### Registration

Pre-Registration is required. Send an email to wac.instructor@gmail.com and enter "PPC-202" in the subject. You will then receive detailed instructions on how to Pre-Register.

#### Cost

Cost of each PPC event is **\$5.00** cash – exact change.

# When

Wednesday Evening, May 12, 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm on open pistol range. Six shooters at a time in six 30-minute time slots.

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# **Girls and Guns Event** (Cherie Aker)

Girls and Guns Having Fun

This year's first Girls and Guns event was held Sunday May 16<sup>th</sup>. The interest in this program is growing and to accommodate the number of ladies (37) requesting to attend, we expanding to both pistol ranges. A very special Thank you to John Porter, Dave Lane, Vernon (Buz) Vogel, Jean Aker, Mike and Kathy Gugulis and the Seneca Valley HP Rifle members for providing their skill and knowledge in Shooting and Range Safety protocol.



The next Girls and Guns event is scheduled for August 21<sup>st</sup>. If you are interested in attending – please RSVP by contacting cherie.aker@gmail.com

# May Club and Range Orientation report

The class was held on 22 MAY 2011.

It had been scheduled for the 30<sup>th</sup>, Memorial Sunday, but was moved due to the holiday.

Originally, 17 members signed up for the class, and 12 showed up.

All passed.

Jean F. Aker

Chairman, Range Orientation Committee

## THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

If you joined the chapter on or before June **2019** and you have not seen your name listed in any issue of the newsletter as being graduated to full member status, you are **still on probation**. If you are not sure about your member status, email Nick at nicolasgiu@yahoo.com, and you will receive an email of your work history on record.

# **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW**

# **FULL MEMBERS**

The following probationary members have completed their probation. And are graduated to Full Member status.

Matthew W. Johnson,

Frank E. Corn Jr

Steven W. Johnson,

George Boyce Jr

# Adopt-A-Road

5/14/2021

James McInerney (Chair)

# Members, Family, and Nonmembers:

Ginny Bunke, Fred Bunke, George Boyce,

Robert Kalbacher, Gerry Benedick,

Vernon King Jr., Will Davenport and Judy Riley

**Probationary Members:** (Conservation Credit)

Neil Benson, Bill Doerrler, Gerry Benedick,

Ginny Bunke, Fred Bunke, Will Davenport,

George Boyce, Bob Kalbacher and Kevin Limparis

#### **Gardens Maintenance**

5/21/2021

Meo Curtis (Chair)

## Members, Family, and Nonmembers:

Ralph Bally and Barb Bally

**Probationary Member** (Conservation Credit)

Amraj Singh

# **Pigtrail Tree Maintenance**

5/22/2021

Jim Piateski (Chair)

# Members, Family, and Nonmembers:

Kate Butler

Probationary Members: (Conservation Credit)
Robert Curley, Gerald Benedick, Mark Roski,
Bill Butler and Jonathan Pollack
Chapter Maintenance Day
5/30/2021

Chuck Crooks (Chair)

Members, Family, and Nonmembers:

Joe Pauley, John Porter, Glenn Miller, Karl Plitt, Paul Turska, Sue Gan, Al Cross, Adam Cohen, Adam Moskof, John Hartwell and Jeremy Dvorak,

**Probationary Members:** (Regular Credit) Amraj Singh, Clayton Dukes, Zachary Miller, Jonathan Pollack, William Tjokroaminata, John Duchaj, and Brooke Pennington

# **NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS** (Jim Piateski jimpiateski@verizon.net)

Thanks to Nicolas Giuliano for mailing the printed version of the newsletter every month and tracking volunteer hours. Thanks to Chuck Crooks, Cherie Aker, Hans Varmer, Jim McInerney, Jean Aker, Cherie Aker and Steve Olsen for their contributions to this newsletter. 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 <a href="mailto:jimpiateski@verizon.net">jimpiateski@verizon.net</a> 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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