

Wildlife Gazette Wildlife Achievement Chapter Izaak Walton League of America JUNE 2025

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CHAPTER NEWS AND EVENTS



President's Message – June 2025

"Remember, if you ever need a helping hand, you'll find one at the end of your arm. As you grow older you will discover that you have two hands. One for helping yourself, the other for helping others." – Audrey Hepburn

Volunteering at our Chapter is beneficial to all members. The benefit is two-folded. Members enjoy the scenic grounds, chapter house, and well-maintained ranges, all for low annual dues. Without volunteer support from our members, we would need to hire contractors for maintenance. Please volunteer your time so we can continue offering low reasonable membership fees. If you are interested in volunteering, please take a look at our online WAC calendar. We need your help!

Chapter & Grounds Maintenance is scheduled for Saturday, June 21st at 9:00 am. Please meet at the Green Equipment Shed and remember to sign-in to receive work credit. On the same day we will be setting up the grounds for our 88th Anniversary Cook-out. If you are interested in helping with set-up, please contact cherie.aker@gmail.com – provide your name and the time you are available to help. Thank you!

Our chapter's 88th Anniversary Party is scheduled for Sunday, June 22^{nd,} 3-7pm. A \$10 donation would be appreciated from our attendees. This is a public family event. We will have live music, burgers & dogs and side dishes for all to enjoy.

The next membership meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 25th. Members are encouraged to attend to participate in the WAC community and meet other members. Social begins at 6:30 pm, followed by the meeting at 7:30 pm.

To all the fathers – Hope you have a wonderful Father's Day!

I hope to see you soon. Until then, take care!

Cherie Aker

Shotgun fun!

Did you know that of our Chapters' 1300 members over 500 are shotgun range certified? And that our Shotgun program boasts the best target prices anywhere? If you have not tried shooting a moving target you are missing out! When that clay turns to dust, most become immediately addicted to the game. We are steadily making improvements to our 5 Stand and encouraging everyone to come out and give the game a try. We look forward to seeing you on the course!

Open Noon to 5 the following days: Sunday June 22, Brooke Jeu Sunday July 13, Eric Huber Wednesdays - Bob Cumberland

The course is open many weekend days not listed above, depending on competitions, vacations, etc. Call Bob @ 240-432-0444, or Eric @ 301-471-0439 for more info. If the 5 stand is not open, you can always shoot a couple rounds of skeet!

5 Stand 101

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=33e-bf2n-kY

Games Explained

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=id6VGjjHZZc

- Squad up to five shooters
- Round refers to 25 clay pigeons/shells
- Bird or target a clay pigeon
- Pull when you give a verbal command, such as "pull, heyah, yep" to call for the clay pigeon to be released

- Stations The positions at 5-stand where you will shoot from. There are five stations or stands.
- Singles you can load two shells and shoot at a single target
- Report pairs On the shooter's call, one bird is launched. When the shooter fires (and whether they hit or miss the target), the second target is launched. It is launched "on the report" from the first shot.
- True pair two clays are thrown at the exactly the same time

Conservation

Check Chapter calendar for upcoming events

COMMITTEE REPORT

Archery: Approval to reconstruct range targets – In two stages – 4 targets each stage **Chapter & Range Orientation:** Sunday, June 29th 8:30am. Pre-registration required. **Damascus Road Signs:** New 30" diameter logo signs received will be installed at both "Welcome to Damascus" bulletin boards on Route 27. Rotating IWLA messages will be installed announcing events or membership information.

House & Grounds: Kitchen Ice Maker under repair – currently not available. One of the two A/C units in chapter house needs repair; please keep ceiling fans on 24/7.

Nominating Committee: The slate of candidates for elective offices will be presented at the June Membership Meeting. Other nominations from the floor will be accepted at the July Membership Meeting. Elections are held during the August Membership Meeting.

Rifle/Pistol: Smile – you're on camera; Please obey range rules for the safety of our members. Please check WAC calendar for upcoming events.

Rifle/ Pistol (Mindy Goldsborough)

The first session of a new firearms training class, Concealed Carry Draw From Holster 101, was given to WAC members on May 4th. With so many of our members now having their MD concealed carry license, Joe Pauley and Dean

Elliott, co-chairs of the Rifle and Pistol Committee, wanted to develop additional opportunities for safety training for this group.

While drawing from a holster is not allowed on WAC ranges except at certain special events, it is a skill that concealed carry permit holders need to safely master. This course was designed to provide members with a MD concealed carry license the background knowledge and practical skills to help them improve their draw from holster skills. This course is based on advanced skills training exercises some of the RSO's (range safety officers) have taken on their own at a specialized facility.

The 101 class, which is currently available, consists of an hour of classroom time covering holster type pros and cons with many examples available for viewing and repetitive "blue gun" holster draw exercises to get everyone's basic safe draw mechanics engrained. Then we move to the range where for 2 hours participants are on the firing line, partnered with an RSO, to practice those safe draw from holster skills with their own firearms. The class starts slow, first without ammunition, then with single shots, and then multiple shots and magazine changes. Some of the final exercises include the incorporation of snap caps into the magazines to mimic a malfunction that needs to be cleared on the fly, and moving towards a target while shooting. See picture for an example of one of the drills.

A 201 class that will build upon the skills of the 101 class is in development for the 2026 WAC calendar of events.

At this first class it was great to see the participant's skill and comfort level significantly grow just within those few hours. Everyone who participated had very positive remarks on the class information and drills - they were already eager for the 201 class!

The Rifle and Pistol Committee will be offering this class 3 more times this year, on Saturday, July 12th, Sunday, July 20th, and Saturday, August 2nd. The fee for the class is \$75.00. Class size is limited to 6 participants (MD concealed carry permit required) per class. Contact wacedu@iwlwac.org to sign up.

Participants who take this class will be able to draw from a holster at the bimonthly Practical Defense Matches (see WAC calendar for schedule).

Thanks to our Volunteers

If you joined the chapter on or before May 2023 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 as to your status, email Forrest at **fpnthree@gmail.com** and you will receive an email of your work history on record.

The following probationary members have completed their required volunteer projects and will become a full member after their two year anniversary date. William Wilmer, Eric Hoggard, Richard Reiter, Todd Rork, Charles Schwartz

Congratulations to our new Full Members

The following probationary members have successfully completed their probationary period and have now graduated to Full Member status.

Michael Cavaliere, Kevin Harrington Jr., Vadim Startsev, Richard Watson,

Welcome Aboard

The following individuals were sworn in at the May Membership Meeting and are now considered probationary members until they have passed their 2 year anniversary and have completed the required 4 work credits.

David Altar, Christopher Auth, Scott Caldwell, Shaun Jewett, Martin Leibold

Cowboy Action Shoot Set Up

5/8/2025 (Chair) Chuck Limparis

Members and Nonmembers:

Robert Vendemmia

Probationary Members: (Regular Credit)

Frank Sanders

Safety Video Production

5/9/2025 (Chair) Chuck Crooks

Probationary Members: (Regular Credit)

Andrew Shankman

Chapter and Grounds Maintenance

5/17.2025 (Chair) Paul Turska/Nancye Shipe

Members and Nonmembers:

John Porter

Probationary Members: (Conservation Credit)

William Wimer, Richard Reiter, Bill Bonk, Sam Bonk

Rifle/Pistol Range Clean Up

5/18/2025 (Chair) Al Goldschmidts

Members and Nonmembers:

Joe Pauley, Kevin Wolf, Ronnie Hoggard **Probationary Members:** (Regular Credit) Richard Watson, Steve Labofish, Todd Rork

Skeet/Trap Maintenance

5/24/2025 (Chair) R. Shelley

Members and Nonmembers:

S. Meyers, Jan Lewandrowski, Jim Buras

Probationary Members: (Regular Credit)

R. Watson, Michael Brol, Bill Bonk, Sam Bonk, A. Rodriguez

Adopt A Road

5/30/2025 (Chair) James McInerney

Members and Nonmembers:

Bill Doerrler

Probationary Members: (Conservation Credit)

Eric Hoggard, Chip Schwartz, Todd Rork, Robert Margolies, Terri Cain

Conservation Training Invasive Plants

4/19/2025 (Chair) Meo Curtis

Members and Nonmembers:

Nancy Gladden, Cherie Aker, Jim Piateski, Jeff Deschamps, Roger Moran, Steven

Schwartz, Barry Fleming, Paul Turska, Sharon Limparis

Probationary Members: (Conservation Credit)

Nancy Shipe, Richard Reiter

Membership Meeting Dinner Kitchen Help

4/23/25 (Chair) Randy Mckenzie

Members and Nonmembers:

Greg Prakas

Probationary Members: (Regular Credit)

None

FOR SALE/WANTED GUIDELINES

Any updates to the guidelines will be highlighted in yellow for the current month. Please submit your for sale items, in the format below with a 12pt Arial font, with black letters only. Include condition, price, brand, your contact information (on each item) and a description of the item for sale. For firearms, include the barrel length, caliber, finish, condition and model number. Do not underline or make any text bold or in color. Please limit the number of ads to 6 per member. We are not responsible for pricing errors or seller's content. Ads will only be listed in the

online version of the newsletter since there is not a space limitation and will be listed as received (copy and pasted) without any edits.

Items must be your personal property and not for business purposes. We do not post commercial sales. Use upper and lower case letters, do not use all caps. Do not send spreadsheets or formatted columns. Please do not send the ad as a file, send it in the text of a regular Email. Do not use bold text except for the brand. Each ad should be written individually. Include your name, membership number and contact information **after each ad**. Items must be firearm or shooting sports related.

"Want ads" will need to have contact information and adhere to formatting requirements, but the content can be as general or specific as needed depending on the item that you are looking to acquire.

Deadline is by the End of Day on the last Monday of the month. Ads will be listed in the order received.

For additional information, please contact the seller directly.

Items that are over 6 months old will be deleted unless you send a renewal of the ad. Please advise Forrest if the item has been sold or is no longer for sale. Ads will be removed, after the date (that I populate) at the end of each ad based on the date it was added to the newsletter. All transactions are between the seller and buyer and Federal and State Laws must be followed for all firearm transfers. Handgun and now long gun transfers in Maryland require that the transfer be made by a licensed dealer or through the Maryland State Police. All firearms purchased from out of state or through the Internet must also go through a Federal Firearms dealer within your state. The FFL must be at the recipients (buyers) end, not the shipping end. It is often difficult to find a dealer that is willing to take on sales that were not originated by them. However, if you know of a dealer who is willing to assist with firearm transfers, please let me know and I will add their information in this section.

All ads and any questions are to be emailed to Forrest at fpnthree@gmail.com. You must have links activated in order to use the Email hyperlinks included in each ad.

Formatting Example

Stoeger SXS shotgun 12 GA 20" barrel, blue finish, upgraded stock with rubber butt plate. Very good condition. Comes with a double pouch 38" waist shell belt. \$475 Pictures available on request. Jim Daniels (193602), 410-555-1212 or shotgunguru@hotmail.com (8/25)

For Sale

Accessories

Bushnell 10x42 Fusion 1600 ARC Laser Rangefinder Binocular. Like new condition. Comes with carrying case, lens covers and battery. \$350.00 Karey Kimmel (295765) kjkimmel@comcast.net (301) 873-9222 (10/25)

BSA SWEET .17 SP 3-12×40 Rifle Scope. Green and Blue illuminated reticle. Comes with box, 3" sunshade, lens caps, and manual. \$75.00 Karey Kimmel (295765) kjkimmel@comcast.net (301) 873-9222 (10/25)

Ammunition

Federal tactical hydra-shok or Speer LE gold dot ammo. 50 round boxes of .40 caliber. \$25/box. 13 boxes. Will trade even up for 9mm. No steel cases. Neil (250776) aka Spotted Horse 410-875-0771 or died4all2004@yahoo.com (11/25) **Remington** Commemorative Dale Earnhardt Jr. Hi-Speed 8's - Hi-Speed Game Loads. 12 ga, 2-3/4 inch, 1, 390 FPS, 7/8 oz, 8 shot. New in box. 2-25 shell boxes. \$25 each. Karey Kimmel (295765) kjkimmel@comcast.net (301) 873-9222 (10/25)

Federal Classic 38 Special 158 Grain Lead Semi-Wadcutter Ammunition. 8 Boxes with 50 cartridges per box - Total: 400 rounds. \$240 for all 8 boxes. Nick van Terheyden (171607), 301-355-0877 or nickvt@gmail.com (11/25)

CCI CB 22 Short Lead Round Nose 29 Grain 710 FPS Ammunition. 10 Boxes with 100 cartridges per box - Total: 1,000 rounds. \$100 for all 10 boxes. Nick van Terheyden (171607), 301-355-0877 or nickvt@gmail.com (11/25)

Federal Premium 38 Special (+P+) 147 Tactical Hydra-Shok Ammunition. 1 Box with 50 cartridges in the box - Total: 50 rounds. \$25 for the box. Nick van Terheyden (171607), 301-355-0877 or nickvt@gmail.com (11/25)

Blaze Premium 38 Special(+**P**) 125 Grain JHP Ammunition. 1 Box with 50 cartridges in the box - Total: 50 rounds. \$25 for the box. Nick van Terheyden (171607), 301-355-0877 or nickvt@gmail.com (11/25)

Winchester Limited Edition World War II Victory Series. 30-06 150gr Ball M2, 20rd wooden boxes. Will trade even up for 12 gauge, 30 carbine or 45 ACP in the same series. Forrest (15470) fpnthree@gmail.com (11/25)

Archery

Diamond by Bowtech Edge, excellent condition. Comes with multiple limbs, accessories, Gold Tip and Blackout X5 Envy arrows that can be cut to size and a Plano hard case. Email for pictures. \$250.00 Richard Shapiro (127032) richardshapiro1@verizon.net or text 301-385-6625 (10/25)

PistolsKimber CDP PRO 1911 .45 ACP, 4" barrel, all edges rounded, satin and black color, Kimber 7 round mag and two Chip McCormick shooting star 8 round mags. Beautiful set of wood grips. \$825. Neil (250776) aka Spotted Horse 410-875-0771 or died4all2004@yahoo.com (11/25)

Glock Gen 5 model 26 (9mm) with Amerigo night sights, 3 mags, Fobus RH OWB paddle holster. \$480. Neil (250776) aka Spotted Horse 410-875-0771 or died4all2004@yahoo.com (11/25)

Glock Gen 4 model 42 (.380) with Trijicon night sights, 2 - 6 round mags and Fobus holster. 20 rd box of defense ammo plus some ball ammo. \$275. Neil (250776) aka Spotted Horse 4108750771 or died4all2004@yahoo.com (11/25)

Shotguns

Stoeger Double barrel, .12 gauge, 20" barrels, blue finish, upgraded stock with rubber butt plate. Comes with 38" new belt with double pockets. \$425. Neil (250776) aka Spotted Horse 410-875-0771 or died4all2004@yahoo.com (11/25) **Charles Daly/B.C. Miroku** (think Browning Citori quality), Model 500 12 ga. Side x side, 28" barrels (mod & full) w/ ventilated rib. Chambered for 3". Double triggers. Blued. One owner, excellent condition, little used. \$900 obo over. Rick Blatchford (97940) (301)829-3231 or rick.blatchford@aol.com (11/25)

WANTED

Dillon Square Deal "B", Caliber Conversion Kits in 9mm and 45 ACP. Forrest (15470) fpnthree@gmail.com (11/25)

Thanks to Jim Piateski for mailing the printed version of the newsletter every month and Forrest Neal for tracking volunteer hours. Thanks to Chuck Crooks, Mindy Goldsborough, Cherie Aker and Bob Cumberland 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 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:

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