



FREDERICK CHAPTER NO. 1
 THE IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE OF AMERICA
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NEWSLETTER
 May 2021

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Important Dates

May 11 – Board Meeting 6:30 May 11 – Membership Meeting 7:00	May 25 – Sportsman’s Council 7:00 pm
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The 2021 Training Schedule is now online.

<http://www.frederickiwa.org/files/FrederickIWLA-Training-Schedule.pdf>

It's that time of Year again.
Election – NOMINATIONS

Article VI-Nominations, Section 1. The President shall appoint a nominating committee of three (3) members on or before the April meeting. The committee shall select at least one candidate for each office, and Directors as needed, and file their recommendations at the May meeting. The outgoing President is automatically a Director at Large. Further nominations may be made from the floor at the June meeting. The election will be held at the June meeting and the new officers will assume their offices at the close of the June meeting.

May Training

Date	Start Time	End Time	Course	Cost
Saturday, May 1, 2021	7:30 AM	Finish	Online Hunter Safety	
Sunday, May 2, 2021	12:00 PM	4:00 PM	Youth Program	
Monday, May 3, 2021	5:00 PM	9:30 PM	HQL	\$150.00
Thursday, May 6, 2021	6:30 PM	10:00 PM	Ladies Basic Pistol	\$150.00
Friday, May 7, 2021	6:30 PM	10:00 PM	Ladies Basic Pistol	
Saturday, May 8, 2021	8:00 AM	Finish	Ladies Basic Pistol	
Sunday, May 16, 2021	12:00 PM	4:00 PM	Youth Program	
Thursday, May 20, 2021	6:30 PM	10:00 PM	NRA BIT - Basic Instructor Training	\$150.00
Friday, May 21, 2021	6:30 PM	10:00 PM	NRA BIT - Basic Instructor Training	
Saturday, May 22, 2021	8:00 AM	Finish	NRA Pistol Instructor	\$175.00
Sunday, May 23, 2021	12:00 PM	4:00 PM	Youth Program	
Sunday, May 30, 2021	12:00 PM	4:00 PM	Youth Program	

BIRD SURVEYS AT IWLA

The Frederick Chapter of the Isaac Walton League will be participating in a major bird study of breeding birds by allowing two or three birders on its grounds to conduct bird surveys for breeding birds for the Maryland & DC Breeding Bird Atlas 3 (BBA3). The dates and times of these surveys will be published in the Newsletter and on the Events Calendar. They will not occur during shooting hours, but rather very early in the morning well before shooting is conducted. A few surveys will occur at night to listen for owls.

BBA3 is sponsored by both the Maryland Department of Natural Resources and the Maryland Ornithological Society (MOS). This is a five-year effort which began in 2020.

The breeding bird atlas is a community science effort to document the distribution, abundance, and timing of every bird species that breeds in a region. These atlases are repeated every 20 years so that results to be compared with each other and show how local bird populations have changed over time. These data can be used to explore how bird populations react to changes in land use, predict future population changes, identify critical bird habitat, and inform decisions about the management of species at risk.

BBA3 uses 3 x 3 mile blocks as its basic form of mapping and each block is surveyed to determine the bird species and their breeding status. Frederick County has 76 blocks. The IWLA of Frederick is in the Urbana NE block. Local volunteers help find breeding birds and record their observations. The target is to find at least 70 breeding species within each block.

The Frederick County Coordinator of the project is Kathy Calvert of the Frederick Bird Club. She can be contacted at frederick@mdbirds.org. Gabriel Foley is the State Project Coordinator and he can be contacted at mddcbba3@mdbirds.org. Participants and/or questions are welcome! For further information on the project go to ebird.org/atlasmdc

Board Meeting Reminder

The Chapter Board of Directors meets each month just prior to the regular Membership Meeting. Members are welcome and encouraged to observe these open meetings which address the business of the Chapter. However, for the Board to effectively and efficiently conduct the meetings, members may not interact with the Board during the meetings. Members may bring up any issues they may have during the Membership Meeting. Thank you for your understanding.

Range Change Notice Reminder Friday Shotgun

Monthly every 2nd and 4th Fridays, are for shotgun practice.

Rules for even Fridays for shotgun shooting will stay the same. (must attend an update range rules for shotgun shooting if you have not done that already)

Any questions please contact Ben Kelkye.

Grounds Maintenance

We rely on the efforts of our members to maintain the Chapter's property, and this is a good way to satisfy some or all of your work requirements. If the grass needs mowing and you have the time, please cut it. The mowers and trimmers are in the shed and the lock code is the same as for the gate. In addition to recording your time on your work hour's card, please use the clipboard in the shed to report all of your work hours and to report the status of any equipment needing maintenance or repairs.

Grounds Maintenance Committee

*** We have an opening for the Building and Grounds Committee lead. This committee serves as organizers for maintaining the grounds and buildings. Such activities and needs include building maintenance, grass cutting, snow removal, and light capital improvements to the building.

Courses

The full schedule of courses to be conducted at the Chapter house for the year **2021 will** be posted online before the **end of January** at the **Chapter website at [FrederickIWLA Training Schedule 2021](#)**. This training is conducted to support the Youth Program, and not all courses are endorsed or promoted by the Chapter. However, certain courses are required for members to use the range and hunt on Chapter property. The schedules are posted for the convenience of members in determining the expected status of the range at a particular time, and for selecting courses they may be interested in. Contact Ben Kelkye if you have any questions about the schedule or courses.

Range Status

The range is currently open as usual for members to use. Please remember that every Friday is reserved for Special Activities. Before heading to the range, members should always check the Calendar of Events under the Events tab on the Chapter website for current range status information. Range use is occasionally limited due to training classes and other events.

The 200-yard berm improvements are still not complete. Until this work is completed, the 200-yard range is not available for use.

Any guest using the range must be supervised by a Chapter member with Range Safety Officer credentials. A fee of \$5.00 for each guest is to be paid at the donation box under the sign-in box. **Only one bench may be used by the member and guest.** The same guest may visit the range only two times a year. The guest fee and two-visit limit do not apply to the immediate family of members.

MARYLAND WEAR AND CARRY PERMIT APPLICATION PROCESS WENT ONLINE ON OCTOBER 1, 2019

For further information visit: <https://mdsp.maryland.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

NRA Membership

Would you like to join the NRA or do you need to renew your Membership? You can now do it On the Frederick Chapter website and the membership is only \$35 instead of the normal \$45. This is a win-win situation for you and the chapter because you save \$10 and the chapter will get \$12 for each new membership and \$6 for each renewal.

Chapter Work Requirement

The Chapter work requirement for individual and family memberships can be found on the Chapter website at [Join the Chapter](#). All questions regarding the work requirement should be addressed to Hiram Escabi at hiram.escabi@usa.net

Your Newsletter

Any time you have information or articles you think appropriate for the newsletter, or comments on the newsletter, send them to newsletter@frederickiwl.org.

We remind you to keep your postal and email address current. If you are reading this on the Chapter website and did not get an emailed link, then let us know.

Classified Ads Section

Item	Description	Cost	Contact Info
Benelli Nova 12 Guage Shotgun	Model 20003, takes 2 ¾, 3, and 3 ½ shells	\$385 + transfer fees	Tracy Hickman tmanhickman@yahoo.com 301-676-1116

We are setting up a process to post on-line at our website also. Follow the link below.
<http://frederickiwa.org/classifieds.html>