

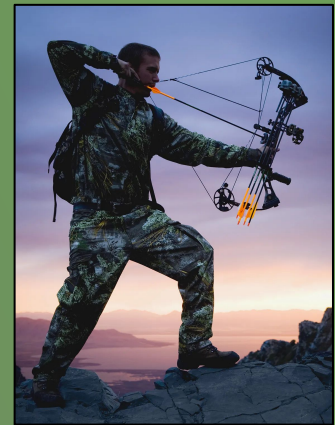
Youth Newsletter

Izaak Walton League of America May 2022

The Izaak Walton League of America (IWLA) youth program teaches local youth how to safely handle firearms in a hunting environment. The main focus of the program is safety and education. When the group meets, the practices are led by coaches who teach in various categories of shooting and hunter safety training. The members of the program practice and train all year to compete in the Youth Hunter Education Challenge (YHEC). This competition tests eight different categories including rifle, archery, muzzleloader, shotgun, orienteering, hunter safety exam, hunter safety trail and wildlife identification. The youth athletes better themselves and their communities everyday.



Practices are Picking Up!



With competition leering closer I have decided to re-introduce the YHEC events into the newsletter. This is targeted at new member that have not been to a YHEC competition yet and want to get a feel before diving right in.

Wildlife ID



At the Maryland state YHEC the Wildlife ID section test competitors skills in identifying skulls, feathers, wings, eggs, hides, and more. Athletes choose from a word bank with 50 or so animals for each animal. From duck wings to canines, wildlife id is one of the most difficult events and requires a lot of practice to become proficient at.

Author Notes

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