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IKES ON TARGET

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Promoting Shooting Sports

Welcome to *Ikes On Target*, a new quarterly newsletter for Izaak Walton League chapters.

Nearly half of the Izaak Walton League's 250 chapters operate firearms or archery facilities that are used for recreational shooting, to provide hunter education training, and to safely introduce people to shooting sports.

Recognizing the importance of shooting sports to our chapters, the League is devoting more staff time and financial resources in 2012 to promoting shooting sports and hunting. Our plans for this year include to:

√ Produce a shooting sports newsletter (you're reading our inaugural issue!)

√ Organize a nationwide trap shoot competition to commemorate the League's 90th anniversary

√ Offer additional technical resources on range operations to our chapters

√ Work with national corporations to provide chapter discounts for items used on ranges, such as paper targets and safety equipment

As part of our broader effort to promote hunting and shooting sports, the League serves on the Council to Advance Hunting and the Shooting Sports and is an annual sponsor of National Hunting and Fishing Day.

Ninety years ago, the League's founders recognized that "people who enjoyed outdoor recreation would be more likely to take up the cause of conservation." Today, our chapters continue that tradition, providing people with a variety of ways to enjoy the outdoors — such as shooting and hunting

We hope this newsletter will help your chapter stay "on target"!

Your Chapter's Membership

Beginning in 2006, all Izaak Walton League chapters with shooting facilities were made members of the National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF) and the National Association of Shooting Ranges (NASR). NSSF had generously discounted the NSSF/NASR membership fee for League chapters, and the IWLA National Office pays these fees annually as a service to our chapters with shooting ranges. All your chapter has to do is utilize the privileges of this paid membership — and there are many!

- Discounts on technical and range management resource publications
- Access to shooting industry research reports
- Related publication subscriptions:
    - Magazines – The Range Report ™ and NSSF SHOT Business
    - E-Newsletters - Bullet Points and NSSF Reports ™
- Discounts at Federal Express and Staples

Additional membership information is available in the Member Services section of *www.nssf.org* or by e-mailing NSSF's member services manager at *bswann@nssf.org*.

(**Note:** Activate your NSSF membership online or by contacting NSSF's membership staff.)

NASR, a division of NSSF, boasts one of the most comprehensive libraries of range resource publications. To view their catalog (copy enclosed), visit NASR's Web site at *www.rangeinfo.org*.

With this NSSF/NASR membership, we hope to provide valuable benefits to our chapters with ranges who promote the shooting sports.

On Target – Featured Chapters

In each issue of *Ikes On Target*, we plan to highlight a few chapters that have developed their grounds with facilities to promote the shooting sports.

Under 500 Members —

Photo courtesy Lancaster Red Rose Chapter IWLA

Lancaster Red Rose Chapter, Pennsylvania

Based in rural Pennsylvania Dutch County near the village of Shaefferstown, these 81 Ikes operate a rifle/handgun range and trap course.

These local Ikes host a successful annual youth pheasant hunt that has generated interest from the community — and helped new hunters feel confident in the field.

www.iwla.org/lancasterredrose

Over 500 Members —

Photo courtesy Arlington-Fairfax Chapter IWLA

Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Virginia

Located in suburban Centreville, Virginia, they are the "Grand Daddy" of them all, with more than 2,400 chapter members.

The chapter operates indoor and field archery, trap and skeet, 100-yard rifle, and multi-stand handgun ranges. Future plans are to build a new indoor shooting sports complex.

Each year these IWLA members host a very successful "Crush n Clays for Kids" charity shoot with the proceeds benefiting the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

www.arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org

Special Henry-IWLA Rifle Offer

The Henry Repeating Arms Company has announced a special production rifle to be available during the Izaak Walton League's 90th anniversary.

For pricing and details on how to order your special edition IWLA rifle or other special IWLA rifles by the Henry Repeating Arms Company, download online from: *www.iwla.org/shootingsports*.

Please join us in the celebration of 90 years of enjoying and protecting America's outdoors by purchasing your Henry Golden Boy IWLA 90th Anniversary Edition rifle today! This is a limited edition offer. Void after December 31, 2012. (**Note:** Order forms and catalog enclosed.)

Who Are Our Shooting Ikes?

Izaak Walton League chapters lease or own and operate nearly 120 chapter shooting ranges across the country — including archery, airgun/bb gun, rifle and handgun, skeet, sporting clays, and trap ranges. These chapter facilities are also used for firearms safety training, hunter education courses, youth shooting programs, and, sometimes, hunting.

Many of our chapter's programs are accredited by the National Rifle Association, the National Shooting Sports Foundation, the Amateur Trapshooting Association, and state fish and wildlife agencies. These IWLA chapters are:

Colorado

- Pikes Peak (Colorado Springs)

Idaho

- Caldwell

Illinois

- Des Plaines
- Kewanee (Atkinson)

Indiana

- Cass County (Logansport)
- Clinton
- Dianna (Shelby)
- Evansville (Boonville)
- Fort Wayne (Huntertown)
- Glen Park (Hobart)
- Griffith
- Howard County (Kokomo)
- Huntington County (Huntington)
- Michigan City #7
- Miller (Portage)
- North Manchester
- St. Joseph County (South Bend)

Iowa

- Ames
- Anamosa
- B. F. Carroll (Bloomfield)
- Boone Valley (Jewell)
- Clinton County (Clinton)
- Davenport
- Des Moines
- Dickinson County (Spirit Lake)
- Dragoon Trail (Elkhart)
- Dubuque (Peosta)
- East Fork (Algona)
- Emerson Hough (Newton)
- Emmet County (Estherville)
- Grundy-Tama (Reinbeck)
- Iowa County (Victor)
- Jefferson County (Fairfield)
- Keokuk County (Sigourney)
- Linn County (Cedar Rapids)
- Mahaska County (New Sharon)
- Maquoketa Valley (Maquoketa)
- Marshall County (Marshalltown)
- Muscantine
- Ottumwa
- Red Cedar (Vinton)
- Sabula
- Three Rivers (Waverly)
- Warren County (Indianola)
- Waterloo
- West Central (Denison)
- Worth County (Kensett)

Maryland

- Bethesda-Chevy Chase (Poolesville)
- Carroll County (Westminster)
- Frederick #1
- Harford County (Abingdon)
- Mt. Airy
- Rockville (Germantown)
- Southern Maryland (Waldorf)
- Sportsman's (Pylesville)
- Washington County (Clear Spring)
- Wildlife Achievement (Mt. Airy)
- Woodmont (Hancock)

Minnesota

- New Ulm #79

Nebraska

- Arapahoe
- Fremont
- Grand Island
- Lincoln (Bennet)
- Ravenna Loup Valley (St. Michael)
- Seward County (Seward)
- Wisner

New York

- Cortland (Homer)

North Carolina

- White Oak River (Cape Carteret)

Ohio

- Delta
- Dry Fork (Okeana)
- Fremont
- Hocking County (Logan)

- Lawrence County (Pedro)
- Lorain County Ely (Penfield)
- Martin L. Davey (Paris)
- Medina
- Monroeville-Huron County (Monroeville)
- Mount Healthy (Cincinnati)
- Tallawanda (Oxford)
- Tiffin-Seneca County (Tiffin)
- Wadsworth
- Wayne County (Salem)

Oregon

- Eugene

Pennsylvania

- Fairmount Springs
- Lancaster Red Rose (Schaefferstown)
- Oil City (Franklin)
- York (Dallastown)

South Dakota

- Beadle County (Huron)
- Bon Homme County (Tyndall)
- Day County (Webster)
- Deuel County (Toronto)
- Madison #16 (Madison)
- Sioux Falls
- Sunshine (Pierre)
- Yankton Area (Yankton)

Virginia

- Alexandria (Stafford)
- Arlington-Fairfax (Centreville)
- Christiansburg-Montgomery (Christiansburg)
- Fredericksburg-Rappahannock (Spotsylvania)
- Loudoun County (Leesburg)
- Lynchburg (Amherst)
- Prince William (Brentsville)
- Roanoke Valley (Roanoke)
- Rockingham-Harrisonburg (Harrisonburg)
- Staunton-Augusta (Churchville)
- Suffolk-Nansemond (Suffolk)
- Warren County (Browntown)
- Winchester

West Virginia

- Jefferson County (Kearneysville)
- Mountaineer (Elkins)
- Tucker (Parsons)
- Zip Little (Prichard)

Wisconsin

- A. D. Sutherland (Fond du Lac)
- Beloit
- Bill Cook (Stevens Point)
- Southwestern (Cuba City)
- Watertown

This list of IWLA Chapters with known shooting facilities may be helpful should you need to seek advice from or merely communicate with others locally, in your region, or across the country. Refer to your most recent *2012 IWLA National Directory* for more detailed contact information.

Did You Know?

That the League maintains a committee on shooting sports?

Originally formed in 2008 by the then-National President, the late Mike Williams, the Shooting Sports Conservation Special Committee offers guidance to the Executive Board on related policy, and organizes how-to workshops at conventions.

Chairman is Thomas Ciarula, Fairfax, Va. (703-250-0947 / *thomas.a.ciarula@saic.com*).

Members include Robert Godlove, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Norman Leshan, Annadale, Va.; Rodger Mettenbrink, Grand Rapids, Neb.; Ernie and Jill Padgette, Bealeton, Va.; and Timothy Russell; Griffth, Ind. IWLA Executive Director, David Hoskins, serves as **Staff Liaison**.

Volunteers may sign up annually at the National Convention or request a Committee Sign-Up Form from IWLA Director of Administration and Meetings, Cathy Berger during the month of July. To contact her, call at (301) 548-0150, ext. 222, or via email at *cberger@iwla.org*.

(**Note:** Final appointments are subject to approval by the current IWLA National President.)

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