



# THE WALTONIAN

*Izaak Walton League of Lynchburg  
Something for Everyone!*



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## Park Open House Report

The Park Open House held on Saturday August 25 was another big success. We had sixty-nine vehicles come through with visitors to our Park. That translates into about 200 people that came out to see what Walton Park has to offer. Eight new members signed up at the Open House and Charles Polhemus of Arrington was the winner of a free membership. We expect more new members to come on board shortly as a direct result of their visit. Due to advertising efforts to promote the Open House we also garnered some local media attention that will hopefully generate even more inquiries.

As with any event of this size there were a lot of people that contributed to its success. From those that worked on promotion to the activity area volunteers to the clubhouse hosts to those that brought or invited visitors, it was indeed a group effort. Thanks to everyone that helped out. Growing our membership can only make us stronger.

## Annual Meeting

The IWLL Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 27 in the Clubhouse starting at 7:00 p.m. We are expecting a visit from IWLA National Director Tom Ciarula.

Following the business portion of the meeting Dave and Judy Clemenson will hold a FREE seminar offering valuable guidance for first time travelers to Alaska.

## Reminders

- *Board Meeting*  
September 11 – 7:00 p.m.
- *Annual Meeting*  
September 27 – 7:00 p.m.
- *Board Meeting*  
October 9 – 7:00 p.m.
- *Rifle and Pistol Meeting*  
October 10 – 7:30 p.m.

## Committees Forming – Director Opening

Following the installation of new Officers and Directors committees will be reforming. If you would like to serve on one of the following committees please contact Ray Henderson at 434-944-2370 or [rfhj@embarqmail.com](mailto:rfhj@embarqmail.com):

- Conservation and Lake Management
- Disciplinary
- Park Maintenance, Improvement, and Planning
- Financial Planning and Budget Performance
- Bylaws Review and Nominating
- Membership, Publicity, and Electronic Media

Due to Scott DeBruin's recent election to 2nd Vice-President the Board will need to appoint someone to complete Scott's term as Director. If you are interested please contact Ray.

## Park Happenings

### IWLL Sponsored Shotgunners Fare Well at VTA Hall of Fame Trap Shoot

On June 2nd coaches B.D. Wood, Mark Milhous, and Jay Phaup took two five person squads and two individual competitors to the VTA Hall of Fame Trap Shoot in Winchester Virginia to participate in the Scholastic Clay Target Program's State tournament. Each team competitor shot eight 25 target rounds of 16-yard singles for a total possible score of 200. The Varsity Division team placed first with an overall score of 934 out of a possible 1000. The Intermediate Division team also took gold with a score of 827/1000. Brent Ligon (age 15) took the individual Junior Singles Championship with a 189/200 and also finished second in the 19-21 yard Handicap event. Other participants included Alex Newton (age 18–188 including a 96/100 rotation), David Milhous (age 18–187 with a clean 25/25 round), Ben Phaup (age 18–186 also with a clean 25/25 round), Adrienne Phaup (age 15–184 including a 96/100 and her first 25/ 25 round and first 50 straight without a miss), Matt Moser (age 14–182 with his first 25/25), Alex Milhous (age 16–178 and his first 25 straight), Susanna Phaup (age 13–174 including a round of 24/25), Tripp Powell (age 13–160 with two rounds of 23/25), Victoria Milhous (age 13–157 and her first 24/25), Patrick Page (age 13–154 with a 82/100 rotation and his first 24/25), and competing in her first registered shoot ten-year old Elizabeth Phaup scored 52 out of 100 which included rounds of 14/25 and 16/25. According to coach B.D. Wood "The manner in which this group conducted themselves was exemplary. Welcomed heartily by VTA officers and fellow contestants their presence and performance served as an injection of energy into the event. We received many positive comments from experienced trap shooters regarding their abilities and trap etiquette." Congratulations to all the shooters on their excellent performances and for being such fine representatives of the shooting sports and IWLL.

### Boy Scout Camporee Coming to Walton Park

A sea of khaki is headed our way as the Boy Scouts of America Piedmont District Fall Camporee is scheduled to be held at Walton Park on the weekend of October 20-21. Campers will start arriving the evening of Friday the 19th. Please note that some of the shooting ranges will be made available for the Scouts on Saturday the 20th. Schedules will be posted at each range as they are finalized.

### Virginia Hunter Education Classes— October 27 and 28

Hunter education classes will be held in the clubhouse on Saturday and Sunday, October 27 and 28 from 12–6 p.m. You must attend both sessions to receive your course completion certificate which is required for first time hunters and hunters 12 to 15 years of age to purchase a Virginia hunting license. Even if you already have a license, consider taking a refresher course to brush up on hunter safety, principles of conservation, and sportsmanship. There is no charge for these classes. For more information or to register call Bill Wise at 434-384-7048 or Tom Graves at 434-841-9975.

### First Phase of Septic Work Completed

A survey of our septic system was recently undertaken. The good news is that things appear to be in pretty good shape and our current capacity looks to be adequate. Initial maintenance was focused on the lower campground areas with additional work on the upper bathhouse area likely to be scheduled for next year.

## Camping Tales

With the summer camping season winding down the camper's breakfasts and dinners will be going on hiatus, most likely until next May. Thanks again to Kim Jackson for organizing this year's repasts. Keep an eye on the bulletin board for any impromptu camper activities.

If you have any suggestions for campground improvements please contact interim camping chairman Roger O'Neil (434-221-8655) or a Board member.

## Skeet & Trap Rounds

Monthly ATA shoots are scheduled for September 1 and October 6. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. and shooting starts at 10:00 a.m. Contact B.D. Wood for more information – 434-277-5008.

Open shoots are held on Thursday evening starting around 6:30 p.m. and Sunday starting at 12:00 noon. If you are new to the shotgun shooting sports don't hesitate to stop by either one of these open shoots and ask for help getting started.

To get access to the shotgun fields at times other than the open shoots contact B.D. Wood about attending a training session on gun safety and operation of the target throwers after which you will receive the combination to the locks on the skeet and trap houses.

## Rifle & Pistol Bulletins

Sept. 1 – Cowboy Shoot (Pistol Range, registration at 9:30 a.m. – Harold Brizendine 434-929-1063 or Scott DeBruin, 434-361-1102)

Sept. 8 – High Power League (Rifle Range, 9:00 a.m. – George Venable, 434-821-4175)

Sept. 8 – Bullseye League (Pistol Range, 1:00 p.m. – Riner Duncan, 434-384-6365)

Sept. 15 – Family Fun .22 Mossberg Match (Pistol Range, 8:45 a.m. – George Venable 434-821-4175 or Tom Hudson 434-332-7380)

Oct. 6 – Silhouette Shoot (Pistol Range, 10:00 a.m. – Tom Graves 434-841-9975)

Oct. 7 – Cowboy Shoot (Rifle Range, registration at 9:30 a.m. – Harold Brizendine 434-929-1063 or Scott DeBruin, 434-361-1102)

Oct. 10 – Rifle & Pistol Club Meeting (Clubhouse 7:30 p.m.)

Oct. 13 – High Power League (Rifle Range, 9:00 a.m. – George Venable, 434-821-4175)

Oct. 14 – Sight-In Day (Rifle Range, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.)

Oct. 14 – 4th Annual Deer of Steel Challenge (Rifle Range, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. – Tom Hudson 434-332-7380)

Oct. 27 – CVCC Pistol Safety Class (Pistol Range, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. – CVCC Office of Admissions 434-832-7633)

If you are interested in becoming a Rifle and Pistol member contact Tom Hudson at 434-332-7380. To become a R&P member you must also be a IWLL member, a National Rifle Association member, complete a range safety class, and pay a \$25 annual fee.

To register for the required range safety class please call Peggy Hudson at 434-332-7380.

## Volunteer Recognition and Opportunities

IWLL will have a booth at the Amherst County Apple Harvest Festival on Saturday October 20th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday October 21st from noon to 5:00 p.m. at the Amherst County High School. If you are able to help out with set-up on Saturday morning, take-down Sunday evening, or manning of the booth on Saturday or Sunday, please contact Don Yost at 434-525-8974 or [yost.forest@verizon.net](mailto:yost.forest@verizon.net).

Don Yost would like to thank Pete Natyzak for his assistance over the last several months getting the newsletter ready for mailing. Special thanks for his help with the last minute stuffing of Open House flyers in the August newsletter.

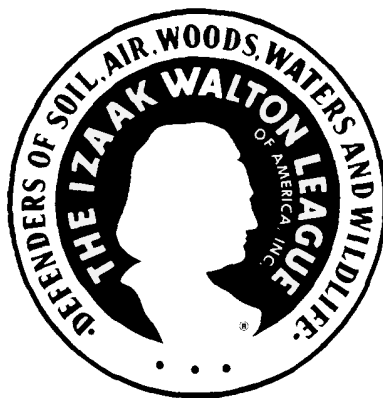
Thanks to Paul Gorman for his efforts to get the septic survey and maintenance project underway.

If you have volunteers you would like to acknowledge please contact Don Yost.

If you would be interested in contributing articles for the Waltonian please contact Don Yost. Of particular interest would be articles concerning conservation topics or IWLL history.

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