

# The Arlington-Fairfax Chapter

of the Izaak Walton League of America



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**Arlington - Fairfax Chapter** 

- Founded in Chicago in 1922.
- 54 sport fishermen, deeply concerned about the quality of the water around them and the loss of wildlife habitat, decided to take action to build a better outdoor America for future generations.
- Named after Izaak Walton, the 17th century Englishman who wrote *The* Complete Angler.
- 36,000 members and more than 220 chapters



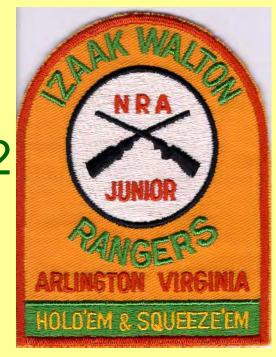


### **Arlington-Fairfax Chapter**

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**Izaak Walton League of America** 

- Established 1936
- Incorporated in 1947
- Moved to Centreville in 1952
- Purchased 125 acres (lost 20 to Rt. 66)



 Largest IWLA Chapter in the Country with 2,200 memberships (about 2,500 members)



#### **Facilities**

#### **Arlington - Fairfax Chapter**

- 3 combination skeet & trap and 1 trap only range
- 17 position rifle and pistol range to 100 yds
  - Fully baffled
  - Operated 65 hours per week by volunteer range officers
- Field archery
  - Outdoor range
  - 28 target field range
  - 10 target indoor range
- Target archery
- Air Range
  - 26 point, electronic targets
- Picnic areas
- Camp grounds
- 1.5 acre stocked pond
  - Trout
- Lost 20 acres to Rt-66





## **Community Service**

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- Sponsor Boy and Cub Scout Troops and Venture Crew
- Handicap Kids Picnic (40+)
- Needy Kids Christmas party (40+)
- Four \$5,000.00 per year scholarships
  - Awarded to a local student majoring in Environmental Sciences and good for 4 years
- Many Boy Scout Troops given the chance to camp and shoot



#### **Handicapped Picnic**

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Plan, sponsor and conduct a handicapped picnic each spring with various outdoor activities for the 40+ handicapped people

- Archery
- Hayrides
- Fishing
- Air Rifle





#### **Needy Kids Christmas Party**

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 Plan, sponsor and conduct a needy kids Christmas party each year for about 40 kids & their parents









#### **Junior Programs**

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- Home range for 8 of 13 teams in PHRL
- NOVA Sharpshooters
- Junior Olympic Archery
   Development Youth training classes
- George Mason Skeet and Trap team







**2001 Sportier Air Rifle National Champs** 



**Junior Olympics** 







#### Wounded Warrior Shooting Team

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- 9th year of supporting the VA Hospitals in Washington, Richmond and Martinsburg, plus DeWitt, Walter Reed and Bethesda teams to prepare for DoD Warrior Games, Golden Age Games and the Veteran's Wheelchair Games
- People we have trained have Medaled in every Warrior Games except 2012







#### **Hunter Safety**

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- Hold up to 3 Virginia Hunter Safety courses per year
- Sept, Oct and Nov.
- State mandated program for all hunters
- In addition to hunter safety and firearms safety the course emphasizes hunter ethics



## Firearms Safety Training

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- Over 500 firearms safety courses in the last 28 years
  - 28 different courses taught
  - Over 5,000 people trained
  - From 10 to 76 years old
  - Including class for the deaf
- About half non-members
- Superbly Qualified Instructors













#### **Women on Target**

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Each year in Spring











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# Virginia Environmental Excellence Program (VEEP)

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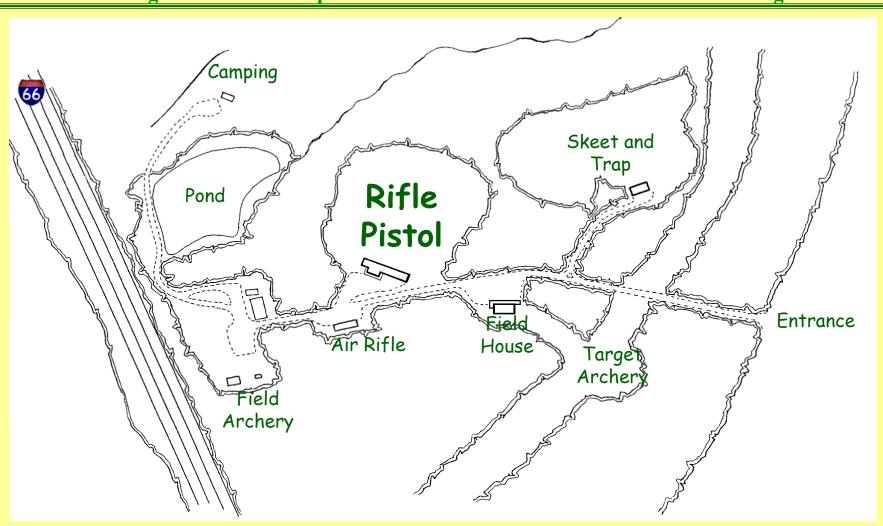
- In 2005 we started a rigorous water sampling program
- In 2006 we instituted a formal Environmental Management Program with the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).
- In 2008 admitted to VEEP
- In 2009 accredited to the Exemplary Environmental Enterprise (E3) level in VEEP
- E4 application going in this year





#### **Rifle-Pistol**

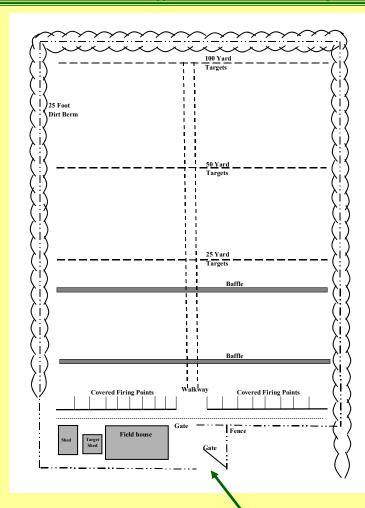
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#### Rifle-Pistol Range

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#### **Safety First**

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- Range can be either HOT or COLD
- Hot Range
  - Everyone MUST wear ear and eye protection
  - Firearms may be handled
  - No-one down range for any reason
- Cold Range
  - May go down range
  - MUST not handle firearms
  - MUST stay behind white line
- "Cease Fire!" (Flashing Light)
  - Anyone can call
  - Everyone must stop immediately and wait for further commands
  - Once position is Safe and you are behind the White line, you cannot touch firearm during a cease fire
  - Cannot move firearms on or off the range







#### **Eye and Ear Protection**

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#### Rifle Pistol Safety Enhancements

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- Baffled
  - Full width of range
  - Supports
- Fenced
- Roof armor



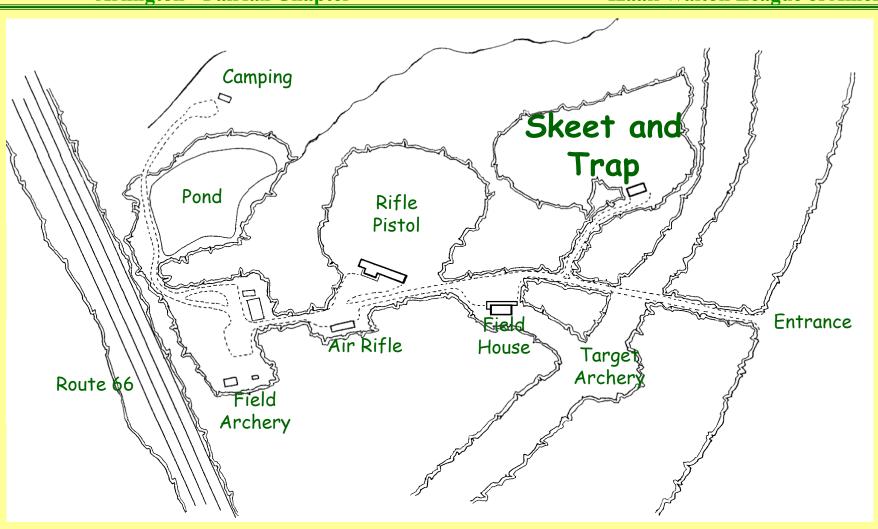






#### **Skeet and Trap**

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- 3 combination
   Trap and Skeet
- One Trap only

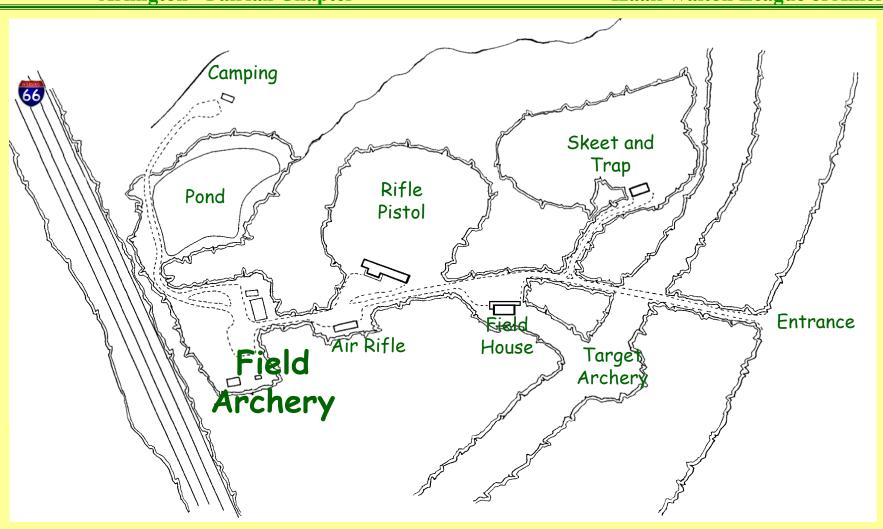


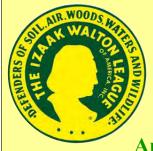




#### **Field Archery**

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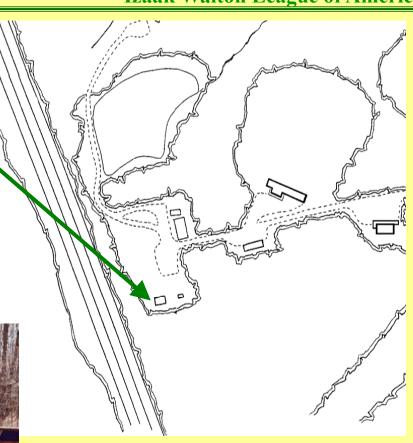


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- Field House
- Practice targets
- 3-D Targets
- Broadhead targets
- 28-target Field range
- Crossbow target







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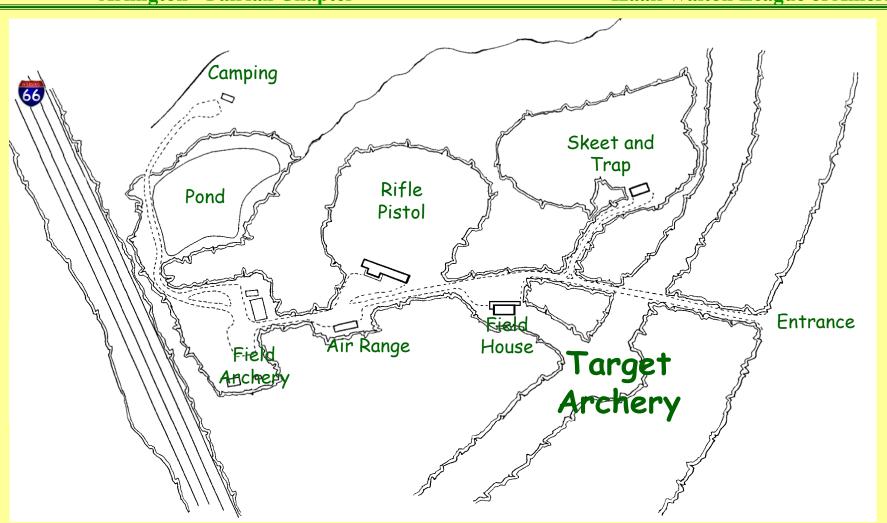
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#### **Target Archery**

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#### **Target Archery**

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- Adult Target Archers
- Competition Archery Team
- Junior Olympic Archery Development
- Indoors & Outdoors







## JOAD Club: Competition Archery Team

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- J.O.A.D Junior
   Olympic Archery
   Development Club
- Youth ages 8-18
- New shooters to Junior Olympic status
- Sundays 5-7pm
- Indoor & Outdoor

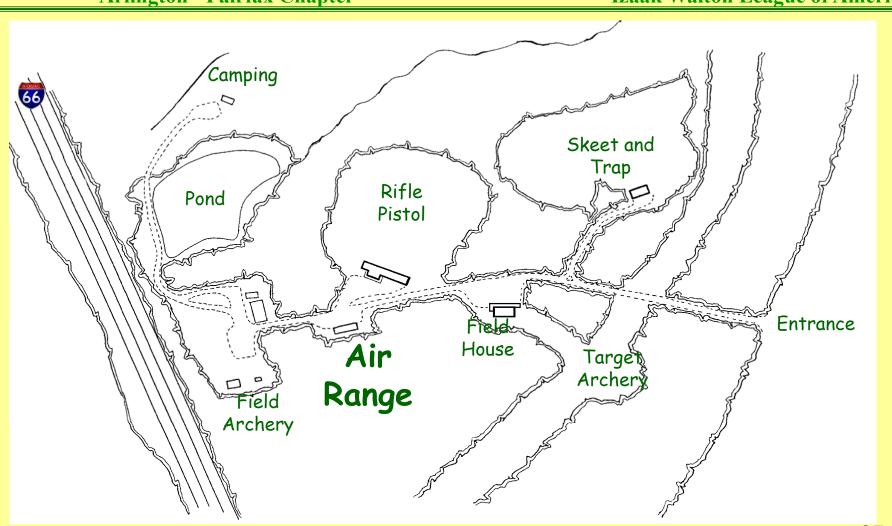


 Taught by Level 2 and above, USA Archery Certified Instructors



#### **Air Range**

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Open to the public: Monday 4:00 - 8:00pm

Friday 5:30 - 9:00pm



#### **Air Range Construction**

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#### Open May 2015

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## Potomac High School Rifle League

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- Home range to 8 of the 13 teams in the PHSRL and the home of the PHRL Regional Tournament
  - Over 300 athletes
  - Many college scholarships (typically 8 to 10 per year)
  - Many National Records set
  - 2 of the 7 members of the US Olympic Shooting Team in Rio came out of the PHSRL
  - One of our young ladies won Gold in Rio.







#### **Adaptive Shooting**

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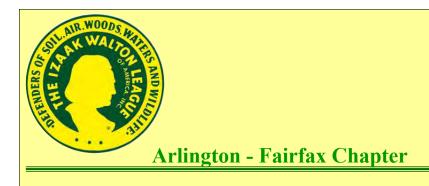
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Adaptive shooting is the art of adapting or designing and building equipment to accommodate an athlete with









# What are your Questions?