



# Fredericksburg-Rappahannock Chapter

## THE IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE OF AMERICA

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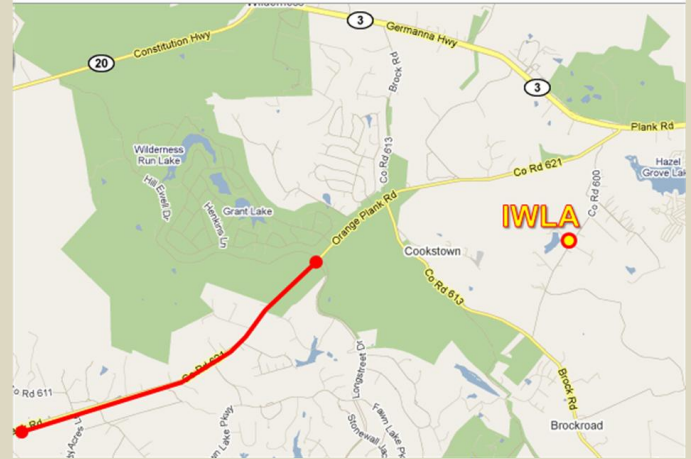
Spring 2011

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

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| <b>3 Mar</b>  | <b>6pm</b>    | <b>Wild Game Dinner –<br/>Pls Bring a Potluck Dish or Dessert!</b><br>[In lieu of Monthly Meeting –Members-To-Be please arrive Early (NLT 5:30)] |
| 5 Mar         | 9am           | Workday  |
| 25-27 Mar     |               | SCA Medieval Group Function  |
| <b>26 Mar</b> |               | <b>Park Closed</b>   |
| 7 Apr         | 8pm           | Monthly Meeting  |
| 9 Apr         | 9am           | Workday<br>Adopt-A-Highway Clean-up  |
| 5 May         | 8pm           | Monthly Meeting  |
| 7 May         | 9am           | Workday  |
| <b>21 May</b> | <b>9:30am</b> | <b>Membership Family Picnic</b><br>(Bring the Family for a day of fun!)  |

## Adopt-A-Highway Program

A great way to promote conservation...



**Our Chapter** is responsible for a two mile stretch of roadway on Orange Plank Road to support the Virginia effort to keep our highways free of trash. This little piece of highway is our part of the State Adopt-A-Highway Program. Our stretch of road (identified by standard Adopt-A-Highway signs at the beginning and end) starts at the intersection of Longstreet Drive and Orange Plank Road (Rt 621) and goes for two miles toward the Orange County line.

**We** are responsible for organizing a cleanup at least four times a year. The VDOT supplies the bags, safety vests and notification signs for each cleanup effort. Mike Sullivan is our point of contact. The scheduled clean-up dates for this coming year are **April 9th, June 4th, September 3rd, and December 3rd**. We will meet at the Izaak Walton clubhouse at 0900 and convoy to our site.

Conservation is important - this is just one way to provide a needed service to our community and help maintain our beautiful roadways. This effort can be joined by other organizations as well – if you know of another group (such as the Boy Scouts...) that would like to schedule a service project we would be glad to accommodate.

**4 December 2010 – Thanks to our Adopt-A-Highway VOLUNTEERS!!!**

**Dan Eichelberger, Bill McClellan and Mike Sullivan!!!**



## ...from the President

Spring is just around the corner and **our** Chapter is already very busy! As **we** continue to grow, **we** need **everyone's** help maintaining (and one day expanding) our facilities. We want **all** of our members to have a sense of ownership and a feeling of pride in this Chapter. Knowing that you've helped the chapter while contributing to its purpose is a noble thing, and we are grateful to all of those who serve with their time, their talents and their treasure. We want you to know you are appreciated for your support and your efforts toward **our** Chapter's goals. Let's continue to make a difference towards Conservation for our Chapter and for the Preservation of our Lands, our Resources and the ability for us to share in their proper use and Stewardship.

**We** have come a long way to become the first chapter in Virginia to host the **IWLA National Convention in 2013**. We have much work to do to prepare for this big event and **we** will need **everyone's** help between now and then. Please support our Convention Committee as we work to Host the Izaak Walton League of America in Fredericksburg! Volunteers please contact Warren Wayland or me. The National Convention will be upon us before we know it – It is not that far away!

I want to personally thank **all** of the volunteers that came to our Facility Meeting on Feb. 5th. Over **30 volunteers** offered their assistance to the Fredericksburg/Rappahannock Chapter in the areas of Conservation, Maintenance, Work Day Projects, The Dog Mart, Chapter Administration and MORE! **We**, as Members, have a Great Opportunity to make a difference in **our** community and to become a better chapter, leading the way for Conservation. Even if you can't make it to Chapter meetings or workdays, there are other opportunities to serve – If you would like to volunteer, please call John Gamble, our membership chairman, Herbert Pritchett, the chapter secretary, or me.

Those that donate to the Chapter will get a Letter of Donation, considering the value of their gift for tax purposes and an approval of acceptance to a project or direction. There have been legal concerns addressed to this President & our Chapter under its 501c Status and Purpose as a Non-Profit. The Fred/Rapp Chapter President & Board of Directors have an obligation to our Membership as to why we are a Conservation-oriented Izaak Walton League Chapter. We take Pride in this and look forward to your continued support in maintaining & operating a Successful Fred/Rapp Chapter!

**Please take special note of our Roadside Conservation Project and any upcoming Conservation Projects & Efforts. Log on to our Website, [www.iwlafred-rapp.org](http://www.iwlafred-rapp.org) and for updates on our Chapter Community Efforts.**

Respectfully,

Greg Raines  
Chapter President

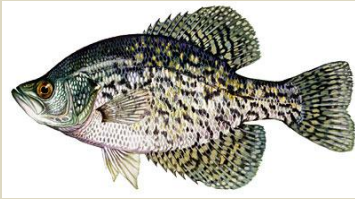
## Update on our pond...

**Joe Webb**, who manages our pond, has plans for great improvement this spring! The pond will be stocked with 200 catfish and we'll be adding some natural cover for all of the fish. If you'd like to help out, please contact Joe at 540-972-3426.

As a reminder, the rules for the pond follow:

- Swimming in the pond is prohibited.
- The use of gasoline motors on the pond is prohibited.
- Fishing in the pond shall be confined to members and their immediate families, and up to 10 guests. All state laws shall be strictly adhered to.

Additionally, we've included the information below to assist with fish identification and some fish-specific rules for this spring/summer.



← **CRAPPIE**  
**Keep** all of these  
you can eat!!!

**BASS** →

Catch & **Release**,  
Please!!!



← **CATFISH**  
Per State Regs

**SUNFISH** →  
Per State Regs



## Past Events:

We realize that it's been a while since our last newsletter, but we're going to take this opportunity to catch you up on some of the past goings on...

**"Safety Day" @ Lowe's parking lot**  
(25 Sept, 2010)

Many civic organizations assembled at the Lowe's parking lot at South Point to display information.



Left to right - Mike Sullivan, Joe Webb, and Greg Raines

### HOW YOU CAN HELP...

If you know of any "Free" Fill Dirt or Top Soil, available close to our chapter, please call Greg Raines, Jamie Branham, or any Board Member.

If you have ANY ideas that you think might benefit our chapter, such as fundraisers or anything else that might raise public awareness, please call Greg Raines.

Range usage... We continue to have trash and brass left on our ranges, improper targets, and other violations. Our Ranges are an important place for many of our members. If you see a Violation of ANY KIND anyWHERE in our Park, please take down the Vehicle License Number and call Jamie Branham or Any Board Member – They Will Be Dealt with!



## Honored Guest in April!!!

Jason McGarvey will be our Guest Speaker for our Regular April Meeting. Mr. McGarvey is the communications and outreach manager for the Virginia Outdoors Foundation, Virginia's largest land conservation organization. Before moving to Virginia in 2008, he worked at the Izaak Walton League's national office in Maryland as the editor of Outdoor America. He and his wife are family life members of the IWLA. They currently live in Midlothian with their two children.

## BOWMEN'S CORNER



**Manahoac Bowmen**  
at Izaak Walton League of America,  
Fredericksburg Chapter  
12400 Herndon Rd, Spotsylvania, VA

### 2011 Outdoor Archery Shoots

March 19 (Saturday)	3-D Trophy Shoot
April 10 (Sunday)	3-D Shoot
May 14 (Saturday)	3-D and Field Shoots
June 5 (Sunday)	3-D Shoot
July 10 (Sunday)	3-D and Hunter Shoots
August 13-14 (Saturday-Sunday)	VBA Fall 3-D Classic
September 10 (Saturday)	Traditional only 3-D Shoot

**Registration:** 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**Field and Hunter Rounds:** NFAA Rules and Classes Apply

For more information, contact Jarrett Frame at 540-373-2278 (cjmframe@aol.com) or John Gamble at 540-972-3379

Bowmen's meeting it is on the last Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm at the Gander Mountain Store Lodge

## Saved Rounds and Police Call:

**The Fred/Rapp Izaak Walton League Chapter and Grounds are for its Members & Escorted Guests. We have had some recent Violations that we are addressing according to our Rules & By-Laws.**

**Our Chapter, a Non Profit Organization, and its Members take Great Pride in providing our Chapter and its facilities for the Benefit of our Community & Surrounding Areas. Please keep in mind that our Rules & By-Laws are meant to be kept!**

**We Do Not Apologize for the Enforcement of our Rules & By-Laws – Please Be Responsible & Thank You for your Safety & Rules Enforcement.**

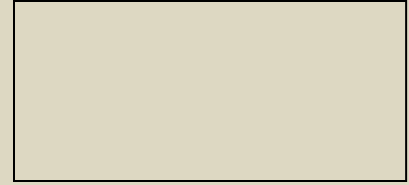
***The Fred/Rapp Chapter Officers & Board Members***

\*Please remember, if you want to use our Pavilions or have other Park Requests, call Greg Raines to book your event or use.

\*Whenever you are at our Park you may see The Boy Scouts there also. As usual, Scouts to the Left of our Driveway and Members to the Right using the ranges. At all times, please keep Safety & Courtesy a "Must" while enjoying your visit at Walton Park.

**Remember, Safety is First. Use & Fun are the Experience!**

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## COMMITTEE CHAIRS

### **SPECIAL EVENTS & GROUNDS USE**

Greg Raines

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Twayne Hickman (455-0042)

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### **2013 IWLA NATIONAL CONVENTION CHAIRMAN**

**&**

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