



Winchester Chapter of the Izaak Walton League Membership Meeting September 21, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance and the IWLA pledge. Thirty four members were in attendance. Dinner was provided by the Chapter

Guest Speaker: Conservation Police Officers Brett Clauson and Tom Christian of the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR) spoke and answered members' questions about the state of wildlife health, hunting, and conservation across the Commonwealth.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Paul Sattler reported that the Chapter financial records are up to date and that all Chapter departments are operating under budget. He also announced that current and future firearms raffles will be conducted until a set number of tickets is sold. Once the required number of tickets are sold the drawing for the winner will be conducted at the next Membership meeting. Paul also informed the members that a property acquisition reserve is being established for possibly future property acquisitions

Approval of Minutes: Secretary Jim Sherry read the minutes of the last membership meeting, June 15, 2023. There were no corrections and the minutes were approved.

Membership Report: Membership Director Peg Sattler reported that the Chapter now has 943 members and continues to grow. Peg reminded members to complete the Range Qualification quiz if they desire to use the Chapter ranges in 2024. Looking forward to the next few months, Peg announced that the Ladies' Auxiliary will be holding a chili cookoff at the Chapter on November 11, 2023, with prizes awarded, football on the new wide-screen TV, and chili and fixins. Planning has begun for the Chapter Christmas party. Watch for the date and details to be announced.

President's Report: President Dan Arico ceded the floor to Vice President Bill Nordman, who briefed the members on the Conservation Easement about to be implemented at the Chapter. The members present expressed their support for this initiative.

Friends of the NRA: Coordinator Keith Brisson announced that the next Friends of the NRA banquet will be held at the Back Seat Events Center located at 104 Full House Dr, Winchester, VA 22603 on September 30th. All are welcome, with tables available and individual tickets priced at \$50.00.



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Door Prizes: Door prizes were won by ten members.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:19 pm.

/s/J F Sherry

J. F. Sherry, Secretary