

The WALTONIAN



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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



Happy New Year!

If you haven't received your green 2025 membership card by now, your gate key card has likely been deactivated. You will need to pay your 2025 dues plus a \$25 late fee to reactivate your gate key card.

Please tell your friends and acquaintances about our club and encourage them to join by referring them to website at www.yorkiwl.org. The Membership page has the application and orientation handout available for download. The Calendar lists dates for Orientations and Work Parties. There is no requirement to pre-register for either event, just show up with your membership packet.

We are looking for volunteers for club leadership positions as follows:

- Volunteers or nominations for Officers (8 positions elected annually) and Directors (12 total, 4 elected each year) for our annual election to be held in May.
- We are also looking to fill a current vacancy for our Corresponding Secretary.

Leadership positions are listed on the Contact page of the website. If you are interested in any of these positions and you've been a member for at least 2 years, please contact me directly at president@yorkiwl.org.

Punxsutawney Phil forecasts an early spring. He must be right. Trout stocking will begin in March and the 2024 stocking schedule is available on the website. Check out the schedule and come out to help-- stocking trout can be a lot of fun. I have plenty of fond memories of stocking trout with my dad when I was a kid.

Our shooting sports programs also come back in full swing in March after a winter hibernation. Shooting events for the year have been scheduled, so check the club calendar. March events include a FunShoot, Multigun Match, USPSA Match, 22 PRS, and Tuesday Plate league.

Finally, a reminder about General Range Rules posted on our website which clearly state that you are required to **"Pickup and dispose of empty cases, ammunition boxes, used targets, cleaning patches, etc."** It's easy to clean up your spent cases from the cement inside the shooting pavilions on Range 2 and Range 3 – there are brooms and shovels available for this purpose. Picking up spent cases or shotgun hulls from the stone on Range 1 and the grass on Range 2 is more difficult, but please do your best to clean up after your shooting session. Keep your brass or put it in the appropriately labeled can. Shotgun hulls can go into the trash cans along with used targets. Better yet, take your trash with you and put it in the dumpster near the front gate or take it home. Your cooperation in maintaining our ranges is greatly appreciated.

—Greg Senft

president@yorkiwa.org

TROUT COMMITTEE

The trout stocking season begins on March 8 at 9 AM. Anyone interested in helping out please show up on Saturday morning. Waders or hip boots are recommended. I will supply coffee and donuts . We stock rain or shine, so be prepared.



[Find out more](#)



Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 13th.

Ages: 0 to 18 years

with age appropriate prizes.

Just like in previous years, please give me the name and age of each child planning on attending so I can make sure there are adequate eggs. Email and text message if the best way to contact me.

Please email iwlajuniors67@gmail.com

or text 717-841-5136

Sarah Chenowith



JUNIORS PROGRAM

I have some fun winter activities planned for January and February meetings. Come and see what we are doing. Also, if there is any child that would like a take home wood project (birdhouse or feeder) please let me know. I will start getting them together for anyone who requests one. Please have all requests in by the end of March.

The Christmas party juniors auction earned us a few dollars to put toward future activities. Thank you everyone that participated. The children always have fun.

There are some fun winter activities planned for the monthly meeting. Come see what we are doing.

If anyone is interested in attending please send me an email or a text with your child's age and name. Please email iwlajuniors67@gmail.com or text 717-841-5136
Sarah Chenowith



York Area Sportsmen for Youth

• YOUTH FIELD DAY •

MAY 31ST, 2025 - FOR AGES 8 TO 15 YEARS OLD

Pre-Registration: You must pre-register by sending a self addressed stamped envelope with the name(s) you want to register to the following address. First come, first served. After the first 200 names are registered, you will be first on the list for the following year.

York Area Sportsmen for Youth
P.O. Box 32
Dover, PA 17315

Registration is limited to 200 Youth Participants
All participants **MUST BE** accompanied by an adult
Check in starts at 7AM - Event begins at 8AM

Attendees will enjoy:

Target Shooting
Cherokee Run
Trap Shooting

Archery
Dog Trials
Trout Fishing

Canoeing
Muzzleloading
and MUCH MORE!

LOCATION: The event is held at the York Chapter #67 of the Izaak Walton League. 7131 Ironstone Hill Road, York, PA

No Charge for the Event, Food, or Beverage



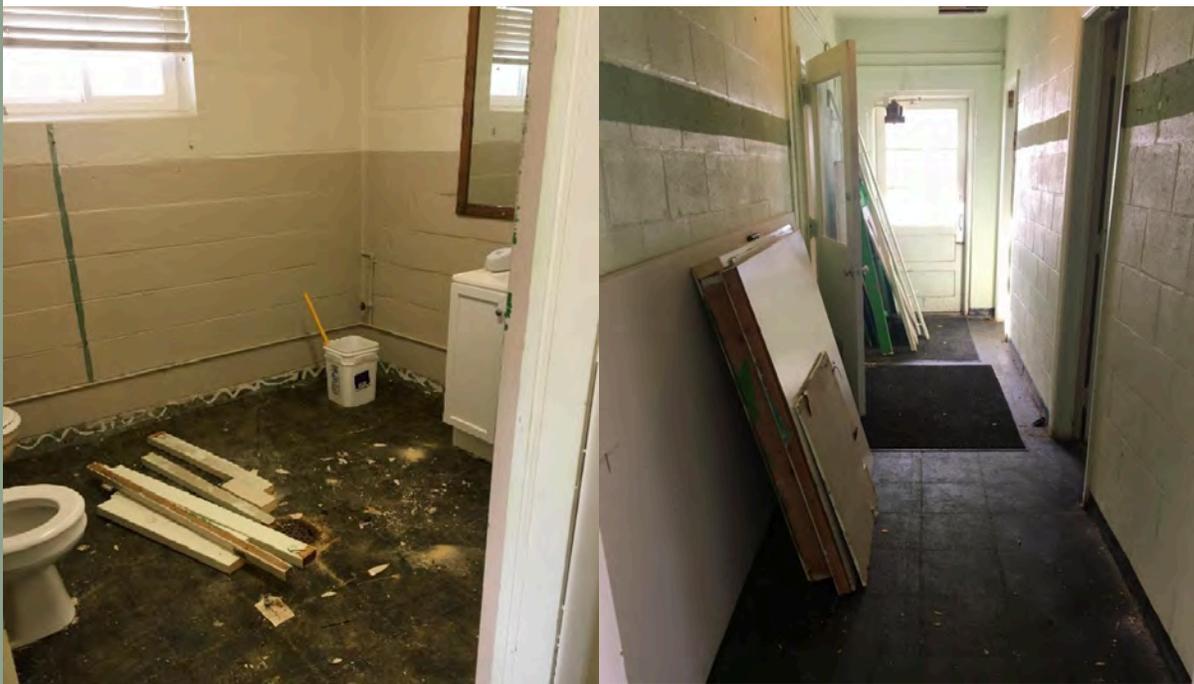
CLUBHOUSE RENOVATION

The renovation to the clubhouse Kitchen/baths is off to a successful start!

Saturday morning, Jan 11th, a total of 9 folks stopped by randomly and pitched in over the course of 6 hours. I can't thank these folks enough, they just charged on like no tomorrow! All of the spaces have been gutted down to the walls. We still have some cleanup and prep work to do before we can get painters and floor folks in, then the fun begins as we build it all back up!

The bathrooms will be taken out of service on Saturday Feb 22nd. There is a porta potty in the upper parking lot for folks to use.

If you wanna get involved and lend a hand, please reach out to Gary Swope at ghswope@gmail.com.



MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS 2025

The initial IWLA renewals for 2025 are in. We had over 90% of those on the books renew for this year prior to 12-31-2024. Thank you all who made that possible.

Membership renewal for 2025 is complete. Should you have any issues or questions regarding your membership or access please contact us at rwwood.iwla67.membership@gmail.com or (717) 815-0306. Happy New Year everyone.



Scholarship Committee

The York Chapter has a Scholarship program open to York County residents, who are studying in the field of ecology! The Scholarship is based on financial need, ability, Grades, etc. Check our website for further details.



Izaak Walton League of America
York Chapter 67



2025 KIDS FISHING DERBY

Free for children 12 and Under
All Children must be accompanied by an Adult

Saturday, May 10, 2025

Registration at 8:00 am

Derby from 9:00am - 1:00pm

At IWLA Grounds

7131 Ironstone Hill Road, Dallastown, PA

Bring your own Bait and Tackle
Trophies Awarded*Drawings & Door Prizes**
Food Stand

RAIN or SHINE

www.yorkiwla.org



MONDAY NIGHT TRAP

April 7th is opening day for trap season. Prices will remain the same this year. 6.00 for adults and 5 dollars for juniors. As always, we are looking for help. Please inquire with trap director or come out to the range.

Thank you JonChenowith

NOMINATE A TEEN

The Wildlife Leadership Academy is currently seeking referrals of students ages 14 to 17 to become Conservation Ambassadors. Nominations are now being accepted online at www.wildlifeleadershipacademy.org/nominate. Informational packets will be mailed to nominated students, containing an invitation to apply to the 2025 program. This is the ideal summer field school for students who are interested in conservation and the outdoors!

Accepted nominees will become certified Conservation Ambassadors through attending a 5-day residential summer field schools which focuses on a particular wildlife species, including white-tailed deer, bass, brook trout, turkey and bear. Students in each field school will gain extensive knowledge about natural resource conservation, leadership experience, and communication skills.

As Conservation Ambassadors, students can receive a letter of a recommendation for college applications; certification of community service work, and continuing educational opportunities such as college visit days and attending professional conferences. Students are also eligible to apply for three college credits through Cedar Crest College, return to the Academy as a youth mentor the following year, compete for college scholarships, and join an Academy Alumni Network of wildlife, fisheries, and conservation professionals.

The mission of the Wildlife Leadership Academy is to engage and empower high school age youth to become Conservation Ambassadors to ensure a sustained wildlife, fisheries and natural resource legacy for future generations. The Academy, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, is a cooperative initiative involving state agencies and conservation organizations.

For more information, contact Director of Outreach & Alumni Engagement, Katie Cassidy at kcassidy@wildlifeleadershipacademy.org or (570)939-5109. You can also connect with the Academy online at www.wildlifeleadershipacademy.org or Facebook (facebook.com/wildlifeleadershipacademy)

PISTOL COMMITTEE



The Pistol committee at York Izaak Walton does much more than just run pistol matches. We now run matches just about every weekend March through November and some involve not only pistols, but pistol caliber carbines, rifles and shotguns as well. Our events range from casual shoots for novices to competitions which draw and challenge some of the best shooters in the world. We have something for everyone. All of our matches are open to the public but most require advance registration, and some require shooters to be qualified before competing.

Find out more about all our Shooting Sport Programs. Check the calendar for dates!

Funshoots

Multigun

USPSA

Monday Night Trap

2 Gun Action Challenge

22 Long Rifle

Tuesday Night Plate League

Walnut & Steel

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SEE WEBSITE FOR ALL UP TO DATE EVENTS & TIMING

If you have business with the Board, please email
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