

Chapter BOD Elections
Thursday, June 15, 2023 (6:30 – 7:15)

Chapter Elections to the Board of Directors will take place at the June Membership Meeting on Thursday, June 15, 2023. Eight current Board Members are standing for election.

In-person Voting will start at 6:30 p.m. at the Chapter House and end at 7:15. Your Membership ID and Driver's License (or other official ID) will be required to obtain a ballot.

If you wish to vote but can't make the meeting, **absentee ballots** will be available at the **Chapter House on Saturday, June 10 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

Please demonstrate your support for the Chapter's management team by voting in this election.

The candidates have submitted the following:

Daniel J. Arico

Member since 2016

Current Board Member and President standing for re-election

My platform is more of the same. I'm placing emphasis on youth activities and family-oriented programs.

I've been a member for almost twelve years and a BOD member for most of that time. I'm a CRSO and a Certified Pistol Instructor. I've been involved in firearms training - particularly for young shooters.

Bill Nordman

Appointed to the Board in 2023

Current Board Member and Vice President standing for re-election

Platform: I am currently filling the office of Vice President that was vacated and I would like to remain as a Board Member of this Chapter.

I was an Izaak Walton member back in 2005 for several years and accidentally allowed my membership to lapse. During those years I attended meetings fairly often and used the gun range on a regular basis. My joining and rejoining the League was based upon my growing up in the outdoors. I was a Boy Scout, hunted and fished with my dad and brother throughout my youth, went to Wyoming and packed mules in the Teton Wilderness area during the summer for five years while attending the University of Arizona in Tucson. Those experiences instilled in me a desire and ambition to respect and try to always conserve the natural world around me. Those experiences also bestowed upon me the love of outdoor photography – from the majesty of snow-capped mountains to crawling on my stomach to capture photographs of the finest mushrooms, flowers and bugs. My website – www.blueridgeoutdoor.com shows some of my work.

With my background in business – I am a retired CPA, have been a controller for a couple of businesses including a bank, and now as real estate broker - I

feel I can bring both a business background to bear on administrative matters as well as a love and knowledge of the conservation ideals of Izaak Walton. I can swing an axe, run a chain saw, drive a nail, string fence and electrical wire, and smile while doing it. Currently I am working with the Board toward preserving the League's land holdings through a conservation easement and in the process of setting up a bi-annual photo contest for the League's youth. My business activities are now all as a "contractor", so my time is scheduled and set by me.

Jim Sherry

Member since 2012

Current Board Member and Secretary standing for re-election

Platform: I have been on the Board of Directors every year since 2015, first as Chapter President, then Vice President, Membership Director, and for the last few years as Chapter Secretary. Although my first priority as a Board member has been range safety, I've contributed in other ways as well, including the establishment of the Range Guest Policy. As a Board member I'll continue to contribute my time and experience for the betterment of our Chapter.

Peg Sattler

Member Since 2020

Current Board Member and Membership Director standing for re-election
Platform: I have been Membership Director for 4 years. I have worked with members on various levels... volunteerism, reservations for the Chapter House, special events (i.e. Kids Fishing Derby, Opening Day, Family Fun Day, Chapter Christmas Party, Member Meetings and New Member Orientations) raffles and I also work with the development of Ladies Auxiliary. I am also a current Board Member. I grew up on the property, as a bunch of family members were WIWL members. As a steward of the property, I consider the betterment of the chapter in everything I do there.

Harold Whitacre

Member since 2001

Current Board member standing for re-election. Involved in leading special events, helps assure institutional memory of the Board.

Jeff McCall

Appointed to the Board in 2022

Current Board member standing for re-election

Platform: I have been a member for over 25 years and have served on the board for 1 year as well as the lake committee for 10 years. Assisted with the kids' fishing derby and member fishing events. Dedicated to the preservation of our streams, lakes, and rivers; as well as supporting the ongoing education of hunting safety and supporting all Law enforcement agencies. Also, coordination of the Izaak Walton league of Winchester Scholarship programs. At your service.

Rick Hill

Appointed to the Board in 2023

Current Board member standing for re-election

Platform: 2022 was my first experience as a board member for our club. Previous to that I helped establish and build the new 5 stand shooting platform approved by our board with the help of some of our established member shotgun shooters. We had the design drawn by member Don Miller approved by Frederick County and all except the wood sheeting and metal on the roof was done by our dedicated members.

Once nominated and approved by our BOD we have diligently been working to make Winchester Izaak Walton the premier park of Virginia. The pond aeration system that is so helpful in keeping our pond clean and healthy for

the fish stocking we do each year is a project we suggested and help install for the park. We are currently doing plantings of native grasses around the shotgun shooting range for our wild game population which includes Turkey, fox, coyotes, racoons, wood and mallard ducks along with many other smaller and larger creatures. We have set up 8 hives of bees near the range as pollinators for our wildflowers and trees, and eventually would like to establish a quail population for our park.

These are things that have been done and if I am elected to our board, I will continue to advance our club as the conservation club you the members want and deserve.

Your vote is appreciated.

Howard Beny

Appointed to the Board in 2023

Current Board member standing for re-election

Platform: I have supported our chapter over the years since joining the Winchester chapter, I have served as Membership directory, currently an RSO for the shotgun range, and general volunteering especially over the last year as my personal responsibilities have lessened. I am looking forward to serving as a board member.