



ACTIVITIES:

- **Monthly Meeting – Tuesday, January 16th @ 6:30pm Annual Wild Game Feed and Potluck** Bring your favorite wild game or non-game meal to share along with your stories of adventure from this past hunting season.
- **Board Meeting February 6th @ 6:30pm** – Everybody is welcomed to attend
- **February 20th @ 6:30pm –Monthly Meeting**
- **February 24th & 25th** - Fisherman's Swap Meet @ Iowa State Fair grounds. If you would like to take a morning or afternoon shift to volunteer at our table on either day. Please contact Lisa McIntyre at 515-360-4352 or Lmcintyreiaikes@yahoo.com
- Please also check the calendar at <http://www.warrenikes.com/calendarevents> for all activities at the club.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Member meeting for January is our annual wild game feed and potluck. This will be a social to visit about the hunt you had getting the game that you are sharing. Some of us will be bringing the side dish as I didn't get out and do any hunting this last year. I have heard some chili being made some with elk and maybe some with deer. Bring a dessert or another side dish if you can. We will see you on Tuesday the 16th.

We have started the clearing process of our archery range area and this will take probably until this spring to get things laid out and the dirt moved and such. There is some other clearing going on along the property line to the rifle range as well. Thanks much to Chris D and Jay T for their work on the brush.

Our trap machines are being serviced by Dan Jones and others helping him out. The college is still shooting as the weather will allow for them, and I just saw that the Indianola trap teams had their members sign up for their new spring season too.

As you can all see there isn't much down time around our chapter house and when we get our archery range fully developed that will allow some of the schools to get started in their archery clubs as well. I hope to see you out at the chapter house at our monthly meeting or at one of our shooting ranges.

Craig McIntyre, President

2017 TREASURER'S REPORT

The Warren County Chapter of the Izaak Walton League of America (IWLA) has concluded another successful year. The balance in our checking account at the end of 2017 was \$26,898.29. This positive balance is the result of a lot of hard work by the Board and many individual members. Ever since our former president, Lester Davison, left the chapter a bequest in his will, chapter members have worked diligently to expand the trap range, completely remodel the rifle range, improve our existing facilities; and expand and remodel our archery range. All of this is being done with all volunteer labor by club members. The application and acceptance by IWLA for the chapter to be included under national's IRS 501(c)(3) charitable tax exempt status has allowed the chapter to be viewed with favor by organizations from whom we have received grants. At the next Board meeting I will be giving the Board complete ledgers for our income and expenditures during 2017. This is something I have done since becoming your treasurer. You can view our IRS Form 990 (non-profit entity tax return) at warrenikes.com. The positive ending balance allows the Board to make improvements that will better serve the members. This winter saw land clearing at the south end of our east property line. This is the beginning of our archery range remodel and expansion. Thank you to all of the volunteers who graciously give their time for the benefit of the chapter. If you as a member have any questions about our finances, feel free to direct them to me. Contact information is on our website.

Submitted by Larry G. Lepper - Warren Co. Ikes Treasurer



MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE PROGRAM

Starting with December 19th meeting through November 2018, when paid members attend our monthly membership meetings, they will sign their name in a special notebook each month. At the end of our November 2018 meeting, everyone that has attended at least 6 membership meetings throughout the year, will receive a ticket for each meeting attended for a chance to win a special prize. Prize to be announced probably in January or February. So plan now to join us the 3rd Tuesday of every month.



IOWA DNR TURN IN POACHERS (TIP)

BEHIND THE SCENES -

“What do you people really do with the poaching information I’m giving you.”

In my 25-years working as the Iowa DNR TIP coordinator and liaison to the private Iowa TIP Board of Directors (501c3), I cannot remember how many times I had this question posed from a citizen and TIP caller. It is a legitimate question after all, and I always provided the caller with a complete and detailed answer.

The Iowa Turn-In-Poachers Program was first established by the Iowa DNR Law Enforcement Bureau and an organized group of Iowa sportsmen working together to provide a more efficient way for the public to report fish & wildlife crime. In 1985 the TIP program became active, or “live” as they say. Policy standards and protocol were developed by both sides to make this new reporting program run smoothly. DNR and the TIP Board both had their duties/responsibilities. When it came to investigating TIP case information DNR Conservation Officers handled that role. The Officers passed along their successful cases to the TIP Board of Directors who then determined cash rewards for callers whose information had led to at least one ticket being written by an Officer.

The public has several options with which they can provide poaching information to Iowa DNR. The original and still popular method of contact is by calling the TIP Hotline 800/532-2020. Other methods of reporting include on-line at www.iowadnr.gov/tip or by simply calling the area Conservation Officer directly. Information can be provided day or night 24-7. During regular business hours Monday through Friday a live operator will answer the call and create a TIP Case by taking down the information the caller provides.

Keeping in mind, that TIP is based upon “anonymity,” the caller’s identity is not needed to record TIP

information. The caller is given a TIP case number by which the caller can track the progress of his or her case. The TIP operator will make a determination, based upon the callers’ information as to the urgency of the report. If the incident is a fish or wildlife crime in-progress every effort is made to alert the nearest Conservation Officer so that suspects can be contacted and an investigation initiated as soon as possible. TIP



Top to bottom - 1. Illegal Racks 2. Illegal Trout 3. Seized Guns. Courtesy of Aron Arthur IA DNR



Case investigation statistics have shown that the citizen who calls the TIP line immediately after witnessing a fish or wildlife crime has a greater chance that his or her case will be successful (one or more tickets written), and becoming eligible for the cash reward.

As you can imagine, not all TIP cases can be successfully investigated in one day. Some cases take weeks or even months to complete. An investigation of this duration may result in multiple charges filed on a number of suspects. Following completion of successful TIP cases the officer will submit a request for reward payment to the TIP Board. The Board reviews these cases 3-4 times per year during regular meetings. The Board reviews the details of the case investigation including cooperation by the TIP caller; nature of the crime; fish/wildlife species and numbers taken illegally. The most common or preferred form of reward delivery is by personal delivery by the Conservation Officer direct to the TIP case informant. This type of Officer – Informant contact allows the Officer to personally thank the informant for their quick actions and detailed information.

TIP is one of the only examples of a statewide program which facilitates public participation to help protect Iowa's fish and wildlife resources. As you can now imagine, the success of the Iowa TIP Program is only as good as the good citizens who use it to help Iowa DNR Law Enforcement Officers stop fish and wildlife crime. Please consider donating \$2 to the TIP-Of-Iowa Program when you purchase your hunting and fishing licenses.

Submitted by Steve Derman – Iowa DNR retired, Warren Co. Ikes Vice President

Next Hunter's Education classes coming in March 2018:

Location: Warren Co. Ikes Chapter house – March 1 and 3

Location: Des Moines Ikes Chapter house – March 9 and 10

More information about these classes at www.iowadnr.gov



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January 2018		February 2018	
8	1 PM **RANGE CLOSED** Warren County Conservation Board 4:30 PM Grandview Trap Practice	11	3:30 PM Simpson College Trap Practice 4:30 PM Grandview Trap Practice
9	3:30 PM Simpson College Trap Practice	12	8 AM Graduation Rental for Erin Karnatz
10	3:30 PM Simpson College Trap Practice	13	
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13	6:30 PM Membership Meeting	16	3:30 PM Simpson College Trap Practice
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31	5:30 PM CCW Permit Class with Allen Crouse	3	
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1		4	8 AM **RANGE CLOSED until 2PM** Hunter's Ed Register at (515)961-6169