

News at Post 72 May 2021

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Post 72 Officers

American Legion Post 72 Officers:

Commander: Claude Davenport

1st Vice Commander: Dirk Wyckoff

2nd Vice Commander: John Davenport

Adjutant: George Morgan

Finance Officer: John Frederick

Judge Advocate: Jonathan Lienhard

Sergeant at Arms: Ed Deneale

Chaplain: Dennis Di Mauro

Service Officer: Steve McLeod

Historian: Doug Gorham

Auxiliary Officers:

President: Odetta Dietz

Vice President: Samantha Hays

Secretary: Lisa Kemper

Treasurer: Lora Riggins (acting)

Chaplain: Haldeen Wilson

Sergeant at Arms: Lora Riggins

Historian: Lisa Kemper

Sons of the American Legion:

SAL Commander John Kemper

SAL 1st vice Vacant

SAL 2nd vice John Juliano

SAL Adjutant John Bush

SAL Finance Officer John (Boogie) Kemper

SAL Chaplain Vacant

SAL Sgt.at Arms Vacant

American Legion Riders:

Director: Paul Baker

Assistant Director: Mike Freeman

Adjutant: Ryan Blankenship

Treasurer: Steve Ralls

Sergeant at Arms: Deb Olsen

Run Coordinator: Paul Ralls

Membership Chairman: Steve Ralls

Chaplain: Samuel Jesselson

American Legion Post 72 Corporation:

Jim Rankin

Paul Baker

Mike Freeman

Sam Jesselson

Jack Flood



The Commander's Corner

As we continue our COVID restrictions, we think we can see the light at the end of the tunnel. We are still under the revised COVID restrictions by the Commonwealth, but the restrictions are relaxing a bit each month. The Post can host gatherings in the Hall not to exceed 50 inside and/or 100 outside. The capacity of the Social Quarters is 30% of rated capacity.

To stay open, we must continue to comply with the Commonwealths & CDC guidelines. Everyone is required to wear a facemask or face shield to enter the building and practice social distancing. Once inside, you can remove your mask/shield if you are eating or drinking. Please follow the existing protocols and help us keep the Social Quarters open and as safe as possible. We will continue to do everything we can to keep you safe, meet your needs and look after your best interests as our primary focus.

The Social Quarters floors have been installed and look great!! Thanks to the volunteers who helped move stuff around during the install. And a HUGE THANK YOU to Social Quarters Sean Milner who stayed at the Post during the nighttime install.

The Post is standing by for the design and blueprints for the Tiki bar cover. Once we get them, we will solicit bids for the patio cover. If you know of a licensed contractor able to do the build, please have them contact the Post. We hope to start the construction mid-May.

I would like to reiterate that for the Post to succeed, especially in these tough times, everyone who can, should try to do a little volunteering to make the Post all it can be. We can use additional assistance around the Post. Please consider becoming involved in any way you are comfortable and volunteer just a couple hours a month. It will make the Post a better place to enjoy. We have had some folks step up, but we sure can use some more to keep thing running smoothly.

I encourage all Post 72 Legionnaires to attend the monthly business meetings. It is imperative that we conduct our regular business and address any ideas;

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suggestions or concerns to help our Post and organization perform better. Our next regularly scheduled Legionnaire membership/business meeting will be Tuesday 18 May at 1930 hours, (7:30pm).

Never forget that we are all members of the world's greatest brotherhood, we are American Veterans! As your Commander, if there are any questions or suggestions to improve our Post, please contact me at commander@legionpost72.org.

For God and Country

Claude Davenport – Commander



Adjutant's Corner

Time again for Post elections. Here is the slate of candidates from the nominating committee. The membership may submit additional nominations at the 18 May Membership Meeting. Elections will be held in June and new officers installed in July. Please make every effort to participate in these meetings.

Commander – Claude Davenport
1st Vice Commander – Dirk Wycoff
2nd Vice Commander – Mike Jenkins
Adjutant – George Morgan
Finance Officer – Ed Deneale
Chaplain – Dennis Mauro
Service Officer – Mike Esso
Historian – Doug Gorham

Corporate Board: Paul Baker, Jim Rankin, Jack Flood, Sam Jesselson, Mike Freeman

For God and Country **George Morgan** – Adjutant



Auxiliary News

Please join the Legion Auxiliary as we rebuild!
Meetings are on hold until further notice.

RENEWALS ARE DUE. PLEASE SEE KIM DAVENPORT IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. If you have your membership card/number, you can renew online, which is quick and easy.

If you know of anyone that is ill or needs some assistance, please contact me at the post on 540-347-7740.

Sunday breakfast has changed slightly. If we provide at least 3 volunteers to greet, serve, and clean up, the Legion will split the profits with us 50-50. Please let Odetta Dietz know if you can help, even for an hour or so.

We are still looking for a volunteer coordinator. If you can help, please contact Odetta Dietz, 703-209-9421.

For God and Country

Odetta Dietz – President



Sons of the Legion News

2021 SAL membership dues are due now. Please drop your payment off at the Legion. We have a box hanging on the wall going out back door next to the Kitchen door. Be sure to include your name and member number. The more information you provide the easier it is for us to identify your membership. Membership dues are \$30.00.

SAL next virtual meeting will be May 4 at 7 o'clock

SAL next breakfast is May 16 at 8 o'clock. Please come on down and give a helping hand.

SAL last month had three personnel work the breakfast. I would like to thank Joe Schumaker, John Andrews, Boogie Kemper.

On April 17 SAL Commander John Kemper and Joe Schumacher donated 70 packs of Tena Ultra Adult

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diapers to the Fauquier Fish. The total value was \$850 dollars.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns please contact me.

For God and Country

John Kemper – SAL Commander



Legion Riders News

Warmer weather is here! Time to start planning some rides. We are looking for more of our members to attend our monthly Meetings, to try and make it better for members. Remember we have switched the monthly meetings to the 2nd Tuesday of each Month at 7:00pm. We also need more of our membership to support the Sunday breakfast on the 4th Sunday of each month! Please make sure you support your ALR to ensure your vote and input about the ALR is counted. We are starting to plan on doing a pick-up ride after the ALR Sunday breakfasts. We still are scheduled to have our Spring Poker Run on the 22nd of May. More details will be provided in the coming months.

The American Legion Riders of Post 72, Warrenton, VA, respectfully request the pleasure of your School's participation in the 2020-2021 school year "Veterans Thank You Card Project". This is our 11th year working with the Fauquier County School students and faculty to deliver cards of appreciation to our military members, both active duty and veteran. In our last card pickup, Fauquier County students prepared and presented just over 9,000 cards, all of which were presented to Veterans and active-duty military. All are welcome to attend. Here is the draft schedule.

14 May:

09:00 Assemble at Bealeton McDonalds
09:10 Depart for LHS (5 minutes)
09:15 Liberty High School (20 minutes)
09:35 Depart for Grace Miller Elementary (5 minutes)
09:40 Grace Miller Elementary (20 minutes)
10:00 Depart for MM Pierce Elementary (10 minutes)
10:10 MM Pierce Elementary (20 minutes)
10:30 Depart for Mary Walter Elementary (25 minutes)
10:55 Mary Walter Elementary (20 minutes)

11:15 Depart for Bradley Elementary (15 minutes)
11:30 Bradley Elementary (20 minutes)
11:50 Depart for Post 72 (10 minutes)
12:00 Post 72 for lunch
13:00 Depart for Ritchie Elementary (10 minutes)
13:10 Ritchie Elementary (20 minutes)
13:30 Depart for Auburn Middle School (5 minutes)
13:35 Auburn Middle School (20 minutes)
13:55 Depart for Kettle Run HS (7 minutes)
14:02 Kettle Run High School (20 minutes)
14:22 Depart for Greenville Elementary (3 minutes)
14:25 Greenville Elementary (20 minutes)
14:45 Depart for Post 72 (10 minutes)
14:55 Post 72 for debrief
Friday 21 May:
08:30 Assemble at Warrenton McDonalds
08:43 Depart for Taylor Middle School (7 minutes)
08:50 Taylor Middle School (20 minutes)
09:10 Depart for Brumfield Elementary (10 minutes)
09:20 Brumfield Elementary (20 minutes)
09:40 Depart for P B Smith Elementary (10 minutes)
09:50 P B Smith Elementary (20 minutes)
10:10 Depart for Fauquier High School (10 minutes)
10:20 Fauquier High School (20 minutes)
10:40 Depart for Warrenton Middle School (5 minutes)
10:45 Warrenton Middle School (20 minutes)
11:05 Depart for Pearson Elementary (20 minutes)
11:25 Pearson Elementary (20 minutes)
11:45 Depart for Post 72 (20 minutes)
12:05 Lunch at Post 72 (55 minutes)
13:00 Depart for Marshall Middle School (20 minutes)
13:20 Marshall Middle School (20 minutes)
13:40 Depart for Coleman Elementary (1 minutes)
13:41 Coleman Elementary (20 minutes)
14:01 Depart for Claude Thompson Elementary (10 minutes)
14:11 Claude Thompson Elementary (20 minutes)
14:31 Depart for Post 72 (25 minutes)
14:56 Post 72 for debrief

Stay safe and take care of yourself.

Paul Baker P.C.

ALR Director



Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Program

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Warrenton Rifles Junior Shooting Sports

Program: The Warrenton Rifles Junior Shooting Sports Program is a gun safety education and marksmanship program that encompasses the basic elements of safety, education, enjoyment and competition. Shooters use the .177 caliber air rifle. Both males and females can participate, through Legion sponsorship. Junior Shooting Sports is a three-part program that combines the Basic Marksmanship Course, Qualification Awards and Air Rifle Competition into a well-rounded activity.

Recent Notable Activities/Events:

- It has been since 2017 since we have had a new 3x20 individual record. On Saturday, 27 March 2021, Seth shot a 3x20 score of 559 with 27 bulls to set a new Warrenton Rifles 3x20 sporter record high! This is an outstanding accomplishment for not only Seth, but for the Warrenton Rifles!! Congratulations Seth on your outstanding personal accomplishment!!
- The Rifles shot the American Legion, Department of Virginia Qualification match on Saturday 27 March, and did exceptionally well. We will have 6 Warrenton Rifles members participating in the American Legion Department of Virginia State Championship on 1 May, in Charlottesville.
- On 10 April, ten Warrenton Rifles members participated in the 2021 4-H Spring Air Virtual Match for air rifle. The Cobra Team (Seth, Alexis, Julia, & Hunter) took 1st place with a team score of 2070-50!! Python Team (Brandon, Cole, Daniel & Matthew) took 2nd place with a team score of 1836-21.
- Individually scores and rankings from Spring Air are: Seth 547-18 1st place, Alexis 153-13 3rd, Julia 512-10 4th, Hunter 498-9 7th, Brandon 490-7 8th, Cole 467-3 9th, Daniel 452-9 13th, Matthew 427-2 22nd, Evan 413-3 28th, & Payton 389-1 34th. An excellent performance from all the Warrenton Rifles members.
- We continue to follow the COVID-19 protocols, face masks & social distancing as recommend by the Commonwealth and 4-H. Please remember to wear your face protection and practice good social distancing.

Old Dominion Junior Rifle League Individual Results, February 2021: (57 individual participants):

Seth Class AAM 276.007 1st, Alexis Class AAE 254.004 4th, Hunter Class AAE 243.002 5th, Julia Class AAT 271.004 1st, Brandon Class AAT 231.006 9th, Matthew Class A 240.003 4th, Cole Class A 226.003

8th, Daniel Class B 217.004 A 4th, Evan Class B 196.002 8th, Payton Class B 193.004 10th, and Carson Class TYRO AL 180.001 3rd.

Old Dominion Junior Rifle League Team Results, March 2021: (9 teams): Cobra Team 1st place (Seth 276.007, Julia 271.004, Alexis 254.004, Hunter 243.002) with a team Score of 1044.017

Old Dominion Junior Rifle League Individual Results by Class, March 2021: Seth, Class AAM, 277.010, 1st place; Hunter, Class AAE, 260.003 2nd place; Alexis, Class AAT, 255.006 2nd place, moving up to class AAE; Julia, Class AAT, 240.004 6th place; Brandon, Class AAT, 237.002 7th place; Matthew, Class A, 231.004 8th place; Cole, Class B, 232.002 2nd place, moving up to class A; Daniel, Class B, 213.003 8th place; Payton, Class B, 207.002 9th place; and Evan, Class C, 7 219.003 2nd place.

Qualifications (NRA): Julia NRA Distinguished Expert. Julia is the 9th Warrenton Rifles team member to win this prestigious distinction. Congratulations Julia on your outstanding accomplishment!

Personal High Score (3x10): Carson 204-2, Seth 2280-11, Daniel 245-7, & Matthew 241-4. Congratulation to all of you on your new personal 3x10 high scores.

Personal High Score (3x20): Carson 392-2, Cole 467-3, & Daniel 452-9. Amazing shooting team, congratulation on your new personal 3x20 high scores.

Upcoming Events:

- 1 May 2021: AL VA State Individual Championship, Riverana, Charlottesville, VA
- 8 May 2021: Warrenton Rifles CMP Cup Invitational, Centreville, VA
- 24 – 26 June 2021: CMP National Championship 3x20 (by invitation)
- August 2021: 4-H North Region Shooting Sports Championship, Culpeper, VA
- Additional match will be posted as received.

Practice Times: During the regular season, the Post 72 Warrenton Rifles Teams primary practice is on Wednesday & Thursday evenings, 1830-2030hrs in the Legion Hall. We welcome visitors and the Post family to come by to see the program.

For God and Country,

Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team Cadre: Claude Davenport, Mike Freeman, Rick Lehr, Lance Davenport, Andy Andrews, Abram Baer, and Bill Gouldthorpe (in Memorial)

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Social Quarters / House Committee

Hello from the Social Quarters Crew,

Watch for the Commander's weekly emails for menus, and updates as needed from Sean.

I hope this finds everyone healthy. Things have been running smoothly since our last literary contribution. Our new team continues to get better and I hope it shows when you come in. Breakfast continues to grow. Claude, Kemper and Odetta have been great in getting their people in here to support the Sunday Breakfast! Since we are one of the only Posts that remains open, we are getting fellow Legion members from around the area coming in to visit, eat and catch up on what's going on. Ed has been doing a great job ensuring maintenance issues are identified and worked on. His energy level is impressive! Thank you, Ed!

The Social Quarters continues to adapt to the ever-changing state restrictions. That said, if you can donate any time at all to help out, please come in. Remember, got time to lean, got time to clean.

The menu continues to evolve with the changing seasons. Watch for the weekly specials email to find out what's going on.

So... that's the latest and greatest from SQ72. Please call 347-7740 to place an order or to just comment on how we're doing.

Stay safe. Thank you for your support and I hope to see you soon. Warmest, Sean and the Social Quarters Crew.