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Please contact at aneu@adaptivesportsman.org with questions or comments

We are looking for people to help organize or work in the following events for the coming year: ATV rides, Summer Fishing events, Fall Deer and Waterfowl Hunts. Ideas for events or activities are welcome. Contact John Mitchell at 8727 W. Coldspring Rd, Greenfield, WI 53228 or aneu@adaptivesportsman.org

E-mail notices are sent out to all members about special events and opportunities that come up on short notice. Send us your email address so that you might get a chance to participate in events that might not be in the newsletter or on the web site. Send your email address to aneu@adaptivesportsman.org

Loan Equipment
We have blinds, crossovers, gun rests, electric tree stands and fishing gear, including an electric reel available for you to try out and enjoy Wisconsin’s outdoors. These items are free to borrow for members of ASI. Call Mary Mitchell at 414-916-2298 to reserve your equipment.

2012 Fund Raising Raffle
LAST CHANCE, DRAWING IS OCT 6™ Once again we have the Gander Mountain gift card raffle underway. There are four prizes; $2,000, 500, 250, and 250. If you can help sell some tickets call Mary at 414-916-2298.

Wheelchair bowling is offered every Friday night at AMF Bowlero Lanes, Wauwatosa, WI, from 6:30 to 9:30. The WWSA sponsors the league, and the first 4 nights are free to wheelchair bowlers. You can bowl once, or as many times as you like. Stand-up bowlers are also welcome. Stop out and meet new friends while you enjoy the bowling. All skill levels are welcome, from beginners to experts. Call Doug Bureta at 414-750-2750 for information.

Adaptive Sportsman Membership Application
Mail to: Adaptive Sportsmen Inc.
8727 W Coldspring Road
Greenfield, WI 53228

Include $10 membership fee
Pay to: Adaptive Sportsmen Inc.
Veterans Membership is Free

Name
Address
City State & Zip
Phone #

e-mail

Please Circle One
Physically Challenged
Able Bodied
Volunteer/Sponsor

Interests
Hunting
Fishing
ATV Riding
Boating
Snowmobiling
Other

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“Our mission is providing recreational opportunities for physically challenged people.”
Adaptive Sportsmen Inc. is a Non-Stock, Not for Profit 501(c)(3) Foundation organized in Wisconsin

Volunteer Spotlight – Pat Buhr
Pat is a board member and the primary coordinator for the Horicon 3-D shoots. Without his help and the cooperation of the Horicon Marsh Bowmen we would not have such a great time at our archery events. He has been one of our guides from the beginning, and has been a great help to our hunters as well as a wonderful person. We would not have such a fine organization without people like Pat.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
Check www.adaptivesportsmen.org for info

October 5-7 Badger Archery Deer Hunt Check the web page for updates or contact John Mitchell at 414-333-4745
October 19-21 Clintonville Deer Hunt Check the web page for updates or contact Steve Prieve at 608-220-9288 or Dan Jacoby at 715-356-7803
November 3 Pheasant Hunt at Smiths Pheasant Crest Contact Wayne Smith at 608-566-9585

ATV Ride in Mercer, WI
2012 ATV ride in Mercer WI, was a small group but man did we have fun and the trails have never been smoother. There were 5 disabled riders and several others that joined us. A big thanks to Greg and Donna Olson for connecting with Polaris to get 2 loaner RZRs (Razor side by sides) one was even a 900 CC 4 seater with all the tricks. They were the hit of the trip, I think we all took turns riding in one or both of them and making a run down the rally route as fast as we could. A 40 mile rip in the 900 took just under an hour and was fun because you could talk to each other as you were ripping down the trail. It was as close as you can get to sharing the lead with the rest of the group all at the same time. The first day we got a nice lazy start after breakfast and put on 50 miles right from Pine forest lodge and back. Had a great dinner and bon fire that eve, lots of great stories and tales of years past. Day 2 we loaded the machines for yet again another lazy start and trailers up to Saxon and packed a trail lunch and road down to the Harbor and had lunch on the shore of lake Superior, everyone really enjoyed this vs. a Parking Lot or Tavern. After taking in the lake and lunch we made our way to the sand pit for some fun and then headed up the trail a ways and then realized we spent an awful lot of time at the lake and had to turn around to get some folks to a planning meeting for an even better trail network next year. When we arrived back at Pine Forest the RZRs came off the trailer and we made a few rally rides up Kramer Lake road and around to the rail road grade and adventurous speeds. MAN O MAN DO I WANT ONE OF THEM!! Thanks John and Cheri Straite from Pine Forest Lodge for everything you do and for sharing your amazing place with us. One more big thanks to Greg and Donna Olson for pulling strings with Polaris Inc for the sweet rides.

Pete LePage

Archery Shoot for Disabled Veterans
On the second Monday of each month, the ASI is holding an Archery Shoot for Disabled Vets, along with friends and helpers, from 2-4 PM at West Town Archery, 4135 N 128th St, Brookfield. The regular range for compound and recurve bows are open along with Video target archery and the 30-yard lane for crossbows. We have 2 crossbows on loan from Adaptive Sportsmen as well as shooting sticks. You’re invited to bring your own equipment and we will also have recurve bows available. Snacks and beverages will also be provided.

Contact Art Marchessault at 414-333-4950 or marchaj@milwaukee.k12.wi.us. Let us know if you plan on attending or bringing participants. Registration is required as there is a maximum of 16 spots available. Volunteers are needed; please let us know if you plan to attend as well.

Fundraising
In addition to our annual Gift Card raffle most of our events include a little silent auction or bucket raffle. If anyone would like to help procure items for these events we would appreciate it. Thank you to those that have already donated items.

It can be yours
*The James E Dutton Foundation has provided a grant to Adaptive Sportsmen Inc. to fund a program helping physically challenged people with the cost of acquiring their own Adaptive Equipment for enjoying the outdoors. Applications are being reviewed and should be sent to 8727 W Coldspring Rd Greenfield, WI 53228. Thank you is an inadequate expression for their generosity. We are eternally grateful.

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Horizon 3D Outdoor Archery Shoot

June 23rd was the date for the annual 3D at Horizon Marsh Bowmen. The weather was as good as could be expected. There were 10 Adaptive Sportsmen members along with 7 friends and helpers. Shooting has improved greatly since last year. That was also the case with the Winter shoot. No excuses this year! John Mitchell led the way with a score of 264/336. Dustin Paulanfus was right behind with 251. Steve Prieve and his new bow shot 238. Newcomers Monica Kamal and Bob Hudson had a good time on the course. Thanks as always to all the HMB members that helped out. Great food again also. Thanks to everyone that came out and looking forward to seeing you at the club next year. Pat Buhr

Pat, thanks to the practice Horizon Marsh Bowmen gave to us Called Popp and I were able to shoot bears on opening day. John Mitchell

Sporting Clays and Trap Shoot

Oct. 13, 2012
10:00 till 5:00
Pheasant Crest Hunting Preserve, 5 miles South of Oxford on Cty A
50 birds (sporting clays) $14 per round, 25 birds (trap) $5 per round
Hosted By
Smith’s Pheasant Crest And Uncle Tom’s Outfitters
For information contact Wayne at 608-566-9585 or Tim or Tom at 608-745-4686
The course is gravel paved and wheelchair usable. Contact Wayne if you need help or a UTV to get around the course.

DEERFEST July 20-22, Oshkosh

Well our first Booth at Deerfest was a success on the weekend of July 20-22nd in Oshkosh. Cal Popp was Booth captain for the event. Scott and Christy Richardson came up Friday to set the booth up and stayed with Cal all weekend. Saturday Jerry Schlick and John Mitchell came up to work with us, and Sunday Steve Starz came to help. We were able to sell over 1200.00 worth of raffle tickets, hand out several Adaptive Sportsmen brochures to people with disabilities, or tp people who knew someone disabled who may want to join our organization. We had people request information to open their land to members with disabilities, even made contacts and picked up a few silent auction items. It was a great weekend so make it on your calendar next year and volunteer some time to come up, enjoy the show and help us man the booth.

Madison Fishery

On Saturday June 9th, 2012, Adaptive Sportsmen Fishery was blessed to have a great bunch of volunteers. Bruce Gehrke, Steve Martinson, Jeff Vogel, David Pike, Karen the Cake Lady, Tony Plevak, Laurin Plevak, Phil Duffy, Walleyes Unlimited USA members, Carl Kaufmann, Ken Dobson, Mike Oravec, Steve Everetts, Dave King, Kirk Von Lanken, Jim Ladwig and Duane Kreger along with our financing volunteers, Madison Fishing Expo, Alex Kammer, American Packaging Wilderness Fish And Game, and Pan-O-Gold Bread. We really appreciate all of the support and we had a fun time! We had a Delicious picnic at noon then loaded up on pontoon boats and fishing boats to fish Lake Mendota for a wide variety of game fish. Most of our members caught fish or a good sun tan anyway just the opportunity to get out fishing means a lot to us who otherwise would not be able to get out on our own,” John Martinson

Shooting Picnic

Adaptive Sportsmen enjoyed a shooting picnic at the Howard Schultz Shooting Center in Muskego. It was a beautiful day with 3D archery targets and a block for broad heads in the woods. Many paper targets were used on the rifle and pistol range. The trap range was also busy with shooters. Ammunition for .22, .223, 20 & 12 gage was furnished. Lunch was great and again we need to thank our grill master Garth Dirksen. Shade canopies and the air conditioned clubhouse were both used for lunch. There were bucket raffles and prizes. Monica Kamal and Bill Ploor won the two major door prizes. We would like to thank Schultz’s Rod and Gun Club and all of the volunteers.

Tyler Zelko and his Turkey

On the first day, my Uncle and I set up in a blind, on the end of the woods, where turkeys had been spotted days before. We were fortunate to see a few birds in the morning and even had 3 jakes at 35 yards, but too far to risk wounding one, so we just enjoyed the view.

At noon, we decided to move the blind to a tree line that separated two fields, as we had seen a tom walk along it earlier in the day. That afternoon, a tom responded to our call and proceeded to come our way. When the bird was passing by at 20 yards, my Uncle used a high-pitch yelp on the call and the tom fanned out in full display to strut. Unfortunately, I was unable to locate the bearded beauty in the scope and he moved on. Oh what a sight and sound to behold!

The next morning, we were full of optimism when we heard a roosted gobbler gobbling about 150 yards away. Once it started getting light and we knew he was about to fly down, we used a few soft yelps, and boy did he respond with love on his mind. Within a few minutes, the bird was gobbling up a storm approximately 30 yards directly behind us!

The trick was how we would get the bird in front of us since we were on a fence line separating two fields, and the bird was in the wrong field for us. We were not using a decoy either. When we made a few soft calls, the tom would work himself into a latter gobbling to no end, it seemed. We decided to stop calling, hoping to force him to cross the fence line looking for the hen. We thought WRONG, after not hearing him for ten minutes. We proceeded to make a soft call and he responded; only he was now about 100 yards behind us! We decided to make some aggressive hard yelps on the call, quickly. He started gobbling fast and furious and was quickly running our way. Within 30 seconds, he appeared to our right stepping through the fence line. He walked directly in front of us, at 20 yards. This time when my Uncle called, and the tom went into full strut, there would be no hesitation. I pulled the trigger and the arrow hit the mark dead center and my first turkey ever was in hand. We thought it was a great sight to behold!