Volunteer Spotlight – Pat Buhr and the Horicon Marsh Bowmen

Without the help of people like Pat Buhr and the many members of the Horicon Marsh Bowmen the Adaptive Sportsmen would have trouble. They are the unsung members that make events like the annual summer 3-D Archery event such fun. The 3-D Shoot and Steak Dinner will be held this year June 29th. It is a great time to meet old and new friends and a very good opportunity for some archery practice. We hope to see you there, and ask you to say thank you to Pat and his friends at Horicon for all of their work. THANK YOU ALL

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Check www.adaptivesportsmen.org for more information

June 29 Summer Outdoor 3D Archery Event. Horicon is a nice place to come for a day of 3D archery practice and stay for a Steak Dinner and the company of some people. The Horicon Marsh Bowmen donate the use of their clubhouse and 3D range for the day. For info or to sign up, please contact Pat Buhr at 920-386-5644 or email pdbuhr@charter.net

July 11 and July 13 MPTV Coverage of the April 2013 Halter Pheasant Hunt. Thursday July 11 at 9pm the show “Outdoor Wisconsin” will feature coverage of the Pheasant Hunt this April in Kenosha. The show will rerun on Saturday July 12 at 9am, and will be on demand in the MPTV section at Time Warner Cable.

July 26 - Deer Fest, Oshkosh. Volunteers are needed to man a booth at this summer event. We get a chance to tell our story to hunters from all over Wisconsin. These events are a great time and we hope to see you there. Contact Cal Popp 920-517-8027 for information and to sign up.

August 3 - Muskego Family Picnic & Shoot. Get aside this date now for a chance to practice 3-D Archery, Trap-shooting, Rifle and Pistol target shooting. A Picnic Lunch is included, so don’t miss out on a fun time and another chance to great and meet with your fellow ASI members. Contact John Mitchell 414-333-4745 or jmitchellwi@prodigy.net to sign up or for more info.

TBD- Montello Sporting Clay Shoot, this fall we will have our third annual sporting clay shoot, information will be posted on the web when the details have been finalized.

October 4-6 - Badger Deer Hunt. Once again our premier hunting event is being held at the Badger Plant in Baraboo. This is an awesome hunt and one of the biggest events we have every year. Sign up early to get in on a wonderful hunt, tail tales and good food. Contact John Mitchell 414-333-4745 or jmitchellwi@prodigy.net to sign up.

October 18-20 - Clintonville Deer Hunt. I would like to encourage everyone to come out for a nice archery hunt in Clintonville. Dan Jacoby and Steve Prweve have done a great job running this event and you will be missing a good hunting experience if you miss this hunt. Contact Dan Jacoby 715-356-7603 for information or to sign up.

November 2 - Oxford Pheasant Hunt. The Pheasant Crest hunt is being coordinated by Wayne Smith. Details will be posted on the web page as soon as we get them.

Youths needed for 2013 Fall Bear Hunt(s)

We have two(2) 2013 bear kill tags donated for youth members of Adaptive Sportsmen. These hunts will include lodging, guides and other help as needed. These are both incredible experiences for disable youths. Experience and hunter safety class not required. We have a mentor and gun practice available for any new or inexperienced youths. Contact Allen Neu at 414-617-4870 or allenrneu@gmail.com for more information.

“IT can be yours” Equipment Grants

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.
TRAK Chair Donation Fund
The Safari Club International has donated $1000 to be used for the purchase of a Trak Chair for use by Adaptive Sportsmen members. We are setting up a fund to complete the purchase. All donations are encouraged. Those of you who had a chance to try out the chair at Baraboo this year know how much fun it was and how useful it was for getting around in the woods. Let’s get enough donations to purchase it this year!

2013 Baraboo Turkey Hunt
Good weather was a blessing during our turkey hunt. Three nice Turkeys were taken. All had beards at or near the 10” mark. Chad Hermanson took his first on Saturday morning using the silencer (compound bow). John Martinson was next early Saturday evening with the largest bird that pushed the scale close to 27#. Charlie Andes scored on Sunday morning with a bird destined for the taxidermist. Thanks to our sponsors the National Wild Turkey Federation and the Safari Club International for their generous donations supporting the turkey hunt.

Here are some comments from the hunters and guides:
Scott Uverich was drawing a bead on the nearest turkey when a branch crashed to the ground right behind the blind and scared all three birds off of the field. You just can’t make something like that up. Mark Seally
It is awesome to see guides Al and Stoney at work. Jeff Geightner
Steve and I hope you are all home and have your turkeys. We know Chad Hermanson, John Martinson, and Charlie Andes. bagged birds. Last year I made turkey Parmesan and a turkey with a curry sauce... Very delicious.... I will miss my opportunity this year and Steve will miss eating it!

How cool was that Action Tracker chair? Super cool! I wish my doctor didn’t tell me to not use it due to my recent surgery or you guys would have had to arm wrestle me! I know there was much success in harvesting and watching the tree chickens (turkeys) in nature. This morning was gorgeous! We heard so many gobblers and the owls hooting and it was sooo worth waking up at 2:30 to be ready for them to come down from the pines.

It was a pleasure to run into known hunters and guides and to get to meet new ones. Thank you to everyone for helping with this including Greg, the cook, and the Badger Ammo personnel. A special thanks to our sponsors, NTWF and SCI for their generous donations. We look forward to seeing you at other Adaptive Sportsmen events.

Monica Kamal & Steve Spaken

2013 Halter Pheasant Hunt
I saw many smiles at the pheasant hunt, on hunters and volunteers. We had 34 hunters and about 100 people and more than a dozen dogs involved. Well over 100 birds were taken by the hunters and cleaned by the teenagers for the ride home. In the morning we went into the fields and after lunch of pheasant fricassees and venison barbecue (many salads and cookies) we did a lower shoot which was an action packed crowd pleaser.

Editor’s Note: The team from Outdoor Wisconsin was on hand to film the hunt and its segment is scheduled to air on Thursday, July 11th at 9pm and again on Saturday, July 13th at 9am on Milwaukee Public Television. It will then be available on MPTV’s website about a week afterwards.

ATV Ride 2013
The 2013 ATV ride at Pine Forest Lodge in Mercer was a fun event, even though we had one of our smallest turnouts. High winds on Friday night knocked out power in the Mercer area and forced the cancellation of Saturday’s ride due to the number of trees down in the area. But in spite of that, it was a fun event. Greg Olsen brought two Polaris Razors out and these were a big help. The Polaris Razors (a two person and a four person model) are more like dune buggies than traditional ATV’s. You ride them in a car seat instead of a motorcycle type of seat. Greg has committed to bringing these out so more of our members can participate in the ride and enjoy the wonder of nature in Northern Wisconsin. The Wisconsin ATV Association had some people on hand to film the ride and we will make these videos available as soon as possible.

Men Neu

Hi All,

I had a great ride Friday afternoon with Greg Olsen on a Polaris side by side we ate at a bar on 51 got back and took group pictures just before the storm took out the power and they did not get it back till 6pm Saturday. The trails were closed Saturday so everyone pretty much left. Jay, Ruby, and Amber had an awesome adaptation that Jay made so Amber could ride.

John Martinson

Tracked Wheelchair for Use (free)
The Eden Chapter of Wings Over Wisconsin recently purchased a tracked wheelchair for sportsmen/women with physical challenges. It is free to use and also has a trailer that it is towed in. To reserve the track wheelchair for more information, please contact Larry Luedtke at 920-960-7986.

Monica Kamal & Steve Spaken

Accessible Tree Stands for Use (free)
Adaptive Sportsmen has two accessible tree stands for loan. These are free to use by our members. Check one first come, first serve. You will need a trailer or pickup truck to haul them. The Small Capacity lift will lift a disabled person up 12 feet, using a portable drill which is included with the lift. You need to be able to transfer to the padded swivel seat. The Large Capacity lift will lift a disabled person in a wheelchair up 8 feet, using a portable drill (included). Contact John Martinson at 608-628-2633 or email him at johnmartinson@csn.com to reserve a lift.

Madison Fishery 2013
You know you’re in trouble when the people fishing from the piers catch more fish than the people out on the boats! Anyway seventeen physically challenged individuals had a blast at the annual Adaptive Sportsmen Fishery held at Tenney Park in Madison. We met at 11:30 am at the Madison School Community Recreation Pontoon dock area (next to Tenney Park) for a delicious picnic lunch. Then we gave away door prizes along with awesome shirts, all free if you are an ASI participating member. We loaded up the two thirty foot pontoon boats that have extra wide gates and aluminum ramps for a safe transfer for people in wheelchairs. Jay and went out fishing. People who were ambulatory enough to go out in fishing boats loaded up at the Mendota locks pier and the people who stayed by the pontoon piers caught most of the fish LOL. Thanks to all the volunteers and donations who I gave a nice group picture to show our appreciation for their support.

Next year the Fishery will be the Saturday (May 24th, 2014) Memorial weekend.

2013 Milwaukee Sport Show
The Milwaukee Sport Show is now in the history books and what a show. First of all let me say thank you to all that helped to make it a success. The set-up and take down people did their usual good job. They are Ken Thompson, Larry Geike, and Garth Harris. Booth helpers were Charles Lohr, Wayne Del Ponte, Jeff Miller, Ron Anderson, Pat Buhr, Rick Oldenburg, John Mitchell, & Mary Mitchell they did set a record on raffle ticket sales, good job and a big thank you. A special thanks to Mike Gustin for the gun purchase it was the show stopper and the main reason for the record ticket sales “thanks again Mike.” The show also had some new twists and sad moments. Steve Startz fell on ice and broke his knee so he could not work the show. We all wish Steve a speedy recovery. Dottie Dickson’s husband, Garth, passed away and she was unable to attend the show. Dottie you have our sympathy. We also had some other things that happened a snowstorm moved our set-up day to Monday and this worked out for the best and a key for our lock box would go into hide mode on two occasions only to show-up when needed. Again a big thank you for all that helped. Bill Koch

In Memory
Garth Dirksen, husband of Dottie, passed away this spring. Garth was always a behind the scene supporter of Dottie and the Adaptive Sportsmen and he will be missed by all who knew him.

Mary Mitchell

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