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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



Board Election results

First thanks to retiring board members **Garth Harris** and **Pat Buhr** for many years of service on the Adaptive Sportsmen board. Congratulations to **Dan Jacoby, Kristy Richardson, Mike Gustin, Steve Starz, Charlie Ande, Tim Welch** and **Miriam Ben-Shalom** on their board positions through December 2017. Congratulations to **Joe Ehr** and **Jeff Pagels** for their board positions through December 2015. We would also like to thank all of those that put their hat in the ring to run this year and encourage you to run again next year. By John Mitchell

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Check www.adaptivesportsmen.org for more information

June 4-7 Mercer ATV Ride The ATV ride in Mercer is a fun event for experienced riders and novices alike. We have plenty of trails to ride, guides to help out, and rooms at the Pine Forest Lodge on Spider Lake in Mercer. This is a good chance to enjoy the company of old and new friends. Click here to get a sign up form or contact Al Neu at 414-617-4870 or email allenneu@gmail.com for more information or to sign up.

June 20 Horicon 3-D Archery Shoot and Dinner Our annual 3-D archery shoot is scheduled for Saturday June 20 at the Horicon Marsh Bowmen's club in Horicon. This is a great event to get out and sharpen your archery skills during the summer and meet new and old friends. A steak dinner for \$10 is offered after the archery is done. To get details or to sign up contact John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 or email jmitchellwi@prodigy.net for more information.

August 22 Summer Picnic, Trap Shot and 3-D Archery Our annual Summer Picnic is scheduled for Saturday August 22 at the Schultz Gun Club in Muskego. This is a great event to get out and enjoy trap shooting, hone your archery skills, sight in your rifle or pistol, and meet new and old friends. Food and beverages are offered for a modest cost. To get details or to sign up contact John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 or email jmitchellwi@prodigy.net for more information.

October 16-18 Clintonville Archery Deer Hunt Our annual archery deer hunt in Clintonville is being held Friday thru Sunday this year. This is a relatively small hunt but it is a lot of fun and worth attending. Contact Dan Jacoby at 715-892-4546 for information or to sign up.

“It can be yours” Equipment Grants

The James E Dutton Foundation has provided an equipment grant to Adaptive Sportsmen Inc. to start 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.

Pictures for the Newsletter and Facebook

We encourage you to send in pictures, stories and video to us for our future newsletters and on our Facebook page. Please email the items to allenneu@gmail.com or jmitchellwi@prodigy.net. **Please includes the names of the people in the pictures** so we can properly acknowledge the participants. We will try to get all of them into our newsletter as space provides.

Wautoma Area Accessible Hunting Blinds

Adaptive Sportsmen in conjunction with the DNR & NWTf have installed two accessible hunting blinds in the Wautoma area. You will be able to find them in the “Open the Outdoors” section of the DNR web page.

TRAK Chair Donation Fund Update

The fund was started by volunteers at the Halter Wildlife Refuge when two of them were demonstrated in the field. The Safari Club International added to our Trak Chair fund with a \$1000 donation. We have already collected more than \$2700 and want 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!

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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, crossbows, 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.

Fundraising

We often have raffles at our events and the Expo Booths. If you can procure items for these events we would appreciate it. All items, big or small are welcome. Thank you to those that have already donated items. Call Mary Mitchell at 414-916-2298 to arrange your donation.

Facebook Page

Please remember to check out our Facebook page and send your posts, stories, video's, and pictures in so we all can share what exciting and fun things that our members are doing. Let's all stay connected!

Adaptive Sportsman Membership Application

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

Expiration Date 12/31/2015

Mail to;
Adaptive Sportsmen Inc.
8727 W Coldspring Road
Greenfield, WI 53228

Name _____

Address _____

City State & Zip _____

Phone #s _____ e-mail _____

Please Circle One Physically Challenged Able Bodied Volunteer/Sponsor

Interests Hunting Fishing ATV Riding Boating Snowmobiling Other _____

Wisconsin River Power Plant Hunt

Once again Adaptive Sportsmen has been asked to assist in securing applicants for the **Wisconsin River Power Company (WRPCO) Deer Hunt for Physically Challenged Hunters**. The 2015 Deer Hunt is scheduled for Friday, Saturday & Sunday, October 9- 11. The application form is located on the WRPCO web page; (www.wisconsinriverpower.com)

If you have questions please contact Darrin Johnson at 715-345-7509 or email to dmjohnson@integrysgroup.com

Kelly Lake Pier

The accessible pier at Kelly Lake in Milwaukee County is ready for use. We had several volunteers modify the railings and go over the structure to get it ready for use. For those of you living in Southeast Wisconsin (or visiting) Adaptive Sportsmen Inc. this is a nice pier for fishing. The pier is now complete and looks great. If you want to get some fishing in contact jmitchellwi@prodigy.net for details. You will need to have your membership card in case the landowner inquires. Enjoy it.

Halter Pheasant Hunt

It was great therapy for physically challenged hunters, volunteers and dogs on a beautiful spring day in Wisconsin's outdoors. We had 29 physically challenged hunters that went through registration and a safety course on the trap range. Volunteers that carried guns, drove vehicles, handled dogs, cleaned birds and threw trap assisted them in the field. That all took place before a lunch of hamburgers, hot dogs, bratwurst salads and desert that was cooked and served. After lunch everyone had more opportunities at the tower shoot and each took home a share of the days bag. This day could not have taken place without the help of about 100 volunteers and our sponsors that included **Ray Alderman & Sons Inc., Lake Elaine Game Farm, Bill McFarlane Pheasants, Oak Ridge Pheasant Ranch, Charles Schult III, John Malchine,** and the **Wisconsin Deer Hunters**. Many smiles were included in the blessings of the great day.

Winter Raffle

The winner of the Benelli Ethos shotgun raffle was pulled at the Halter Wildlife Pheasant Hunt. It was **Tyler Zehmer**. Second place winning \$300 was **Shaun Billmyer** and third winning \$100 was **David Patrick**. Congratulations to the winners and thank you to all the members that helped to sell the tickets.

Include Adaptive Sportsmen in Your Will

Estate planning is never a real popular topic to talk about, but it is better to plan now than leave your heirs wondering what you wanted to do. You can also take the time to sort out what you want to leave as a legacy. Adaptive Sportsmen is hoping that you will consider us when you start your planning.

- Donation of hunting equipment and adaptive equipment. We can get your good used equipment to a needy ASI member or sell it and use the proceeds for our events. Used vans, wheelchairs, crossbows, and guns are popular items to donate.

- Dedicate any amount of money or property for a specific event or purpose We will keep that money separate and use it as you wish. From \$200 to \$200,000, any amount is good. **We can memorialize your donation or let it remain as an anonymous donation.**

- Donate in the form of a charitable trust. We can act as the trustee for your charitable trust if you want to transfer larger donations or real estate while retaining control of the asset during your lifetime.

No matter the size or type of your estate, we would be happy to talk to you about your estate planning.



Lowell Boetcher and Ray Rabuck work the booth at the Earth Day Event in Baraboo this spring.



Dottie Dirkson and Mary Mitchell work the booth at the Deer and Turkey Expo in Madison this April.

Volunteer Spotlight

Ron Anderson is one of our "behind the scenes volunteers". He has helped guide at the Baraboo bow hunt. He recently built the frame of the booth John Martinson used at the Madison Fishing Expo and the Deer & Turkey Expo and he helped to build hunting blinds that were placed in the American Legion State Forest up near Woodruff.

Winter Booth Season

Our booths at various Sport Shows around the state allows us to make contacts with new members, volunteers and landowners to carry on our mission of Outdoor Recreation for Physically Challenged People. It is also an opportunity to raise some funds through our raffles that help pay for the events we hold. A special thank you to the people behind the scene setting up our booths **Garth Harris, Kristy Richardson** and **Tony Paulson**. We encourage members to participate in these booth events. Those of us with physical challenges can be mentors and can explain the mission to others that want to enjoy Wisconsin's outdoors. You have another chance this year to help our booth captain **Cal Popp** at Deer Fest. Thank you.

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel Sport Show

Thanks to **Steve Starz** and his staff **Marty Bembenak, Rick Oldenburg, Miriam Ben Shalom, Ron Anderson, Greg Edgerly, Keith Pamperin, Jeff Pagels, John Mitchell, Mary Mitchell** and **Jim Hitchcock** for their work at the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel Sport Show. New landowners, members and volunteers signed up.

Deer & Turkey Expo

This year at the Madison Deer & Turkey Expo Adaptive Sportsmen tried a whole new look and raffle item selection!

The new display background worked excellent once we got it figured out how it went together, LOL. It is light weight and color coated tape makes it easy to assemble once you understand the big picture of how it goes together.

Thanks to **Vortex Optics** of Middleton for donating a Diamondback 8 X 32 binoculars for the raffle prize. **Travis Rayala** was the lucky winner on Sunday April 12th. We also had a Smith & Wesson M & P 22 pistol that is also going to be raffled at Deer Fest in Oshkosh in August. Thanks to **John Martinson** and his staff **Charlie Ande, Mary Mitchell, Dottie Dirksen** and **John Mitchell** for their work.

Other Events

Thanks to **Al Neu** and **John Martinson** for their time at the Safari Club banquet and thanks to **Lowell Boetcher, Ray Rabuck** and **John Mitchell** for working at Earth Day in Baraboo.

Veterans Afield 2015 Schedule for trap and tower shoots

Trap shoots will be held at the Boxhorn Gun Club S90 W13960 Boxhorn Dr., Muskego, 53150 and will start at 10 am followed by a dinner. Call (414) 529-2529 for information or to sign up. Dates are June 24 and Aug 19

Tower Shoots will start at noon in Lomira at the secondary clubhouse for Wild Wings Sportsmans Club on Hwy 67 and Dairyland Rd. Participants can meet at the main club house in Campbellports, N865 Hwy W or the secondary clubhouse in Lomira, WI. Dates are Sept 9, Sept 23, Sept 26, Oct 7, Oct 21, Nov 4, Nov 18, Dec 2 and Dec 16. The shoots will be followed by a dinner at the club house in Campbelsport where shot birds can be exchanged for frozen birds; photos will also be taken.

Two duck shoots are also in the planning, but the exact dates have not yet been established. Veterans Afield will send out notice when the dates for the shoots are firm