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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 <a href="mailto:aneu@adaptivesportsman.org">aneu@adaptivesportsman.org</a>

## **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.

# 2012 Fund Raising Raffle Winners

The winners were Jim Gibson, Dan Yohann, David Sampstram and John Andries. (Note from John Mitchell, No one I have sold to have ever won).

**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.

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Adaptive Sportsmen Inc 8727 Coldspring Rd. Greenfield, WI 53228 "Our mission is providing recreational opportunities for physically challenged people."

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# Volunteer Spotlight - Kristy Richardson

Most of you know **Kristy Richardson**, our organization Secretary, and the daughter of one of our founding members, Garth Harris. She has worked many years at the booths and our events, always with a happy face and a quick word to keep things interesting. Kristy also finds time to go hunting and raise her girls. She recently set up our Adaptive Sportsmen Facebook page. Take a look at the page and tell us what you think. The next time you see her, give her a smile and a big **Thank You** for the hard work.

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Check www.adaptivesportsmen.org for more information

March 6-10 Milwaukee Sport Show Volunteers working the booth for Adaptive Sportsmen get in free, but we have a limited number of openings. To volunteer at the booth, please contact Bill Koch at 262-707-0476 or email <a href="wkoch@att.net">wkoch@att.net</a>

March 15-17 Oconomowoc Hunt & Fish Expo This is a fine show and we need people to help at our booth. To volunteer contact Kristy Richardson at 262-378-2092 or email <a href="mailto:trophybone@yahoo.com">trophybone@yahoo.com</a>

<u>Apr 5-6 Madison Deer & Turkey Expo</u> This is always a great show, so come out, help man the booth, sell raffle tickets, and inform the public about our programs. Contact John Martinson at 608-628-2633 or email johnmartinson@msn.com

<u>Saturday April 6 Halter Pheasant Hunt</u> The Halter Pheasant Hunt in Kenosha fills fast, so get your name on the list for this fantastic hunt. Contact John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 or email <u>imitchellwi@prodigy.net</u>

<u>May 4-5 Badger Turkey Hunt</u> The spring turkey hunt at Baraboo is going to be held at the BAAP again this year. We have had success here every year, so come out for a good time and wonderful people. Sign up by contacting John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 or email <u>jmitchellwi@prodigy.net</u>

<u>May 30-June 2 ATV Ride in Mercer</u> We had another fine ride last year, and Polaris was nice enough to donate the use of two Razor machines, one a two person and one a four person machine. This allows us to give rides to people who cannot handle driving an ATV. So make plans to come up to Pine Forest Lodge in Mercer and meet some wonderful people and have fun riding in northern Wisconsin. Contact Al Neu at 414-617-4870 or email at <u>allenneu@gmail.com</u>

<u>May 25 Madison Fishing Outing</u> Join us at Teny Park in Madison to fish Lake Mendota or Lake Menona. Boats, bait and lunch is provided, just need you. Contact John Martinson at 608-628-2633 or email <u>johnmartinson@msn.com</u>

<u>June 29 Summer Outdoor 3D Archery Event</u> Horicon is a nice place to come for a day of 3D archery practice and stay for a meal and the company of some fun 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 <a href="mailto:pdbuhr@charter.net">pdbuhr@charter.net</a>

Info coming soon on; **July 26** - Deer Fest, Oshkosh, **August 3** - Muskego Family Picnic & Shoot, **TBD**- Montello Sporting Clay Shoot, **October 4-6** - Badger Deer Hunt, **October 18-20** - Clintonville Deer Hunt, **November 2** - Oxford Pheasant Hunt

#### 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.

#### 2013 WRPCO Deer Hunt for Disabled hunters

The 2013 Wisconsin River Power Company - Deer Hunt for Disabled Hunters is on **October 11th, 12th & 13th**. Starting at noon on Friday, all day on Saturday, and ending at noon on Sunday.

Each year WRPCO sponsors the 3-day gun deer hunt in early October at the Petenwell Wildlife Area located on the Wisconsin River between the Petenwell and Castle Rock hydroelectric project reservoirs near Necedah in Central Wisconsin. The <u>Petenwell Wildlife Area</u> is a parcel of land, approximately 750 acres in size, which has been set aside by WRPCO as a wildlife refuge. The majority of the area is permanently closed to other hunting activities.

Any hunter with a Wisconsin Class A disability permit is welcome to apply.

Applications for each year's hunt need to be received by June 1st. Successful applicants for the year's hunt will be notified by June 30th. WRPCO provides the following hunting services for the hunt without charge:

- Placement and preparation of deer stands in the Petenwell Wildlife Area.
- Hunters transported from deer hunt base camp to the deer stands and back to base camp again.
- Hunting partners, if hunters don't bring hunting companions with them.
- Field dressing, dragging, tracking, etc. of harvested deer.
- Convenient, nearby storage of deer until the hunt is over.
- Friday evening banquet dinner.
- Saturday & Sunday morning continental breakfasts before departing to the deer stands.
- Full deer camp breakfasts following the Saturday & Sunday morning hunts.



## 2012 Baraboo Deer/Turkey Hunt

The 2012 deer hunt at Badger Army Ammunition Plant saw seven deer come to the meat pole. Hunters were able to use archery equipment from Friday to Sunday or shotguns on Saturday and Sunday. **Alvin Schultz**, one of our new members and a Marine, was the first to score with his crossbow to fill a doe tag. **Mike Kratchoville**,(above) another new member, used his crossbow to take the only buck, which was an eight pointer.

**Dale Rebernik**, who was well practiced from his time at the Shooting Picnic, harvested three does and a turkey, while **Ron Pulcine**, another new member took two does. Many other deer were seen by the hunters as well as turkeys and coyotes. The names of the hunters that missed their mark have not been recorded to avoid any embarrassment, and we hope to see you at the 2013 Shooting Picnic for some practice.

We owe many thanks to the volunteer guides that helped us in the field and to the volunteers on the cook crew that kept us well fed. A heart-felt thanks also goes to our local sponsors **Sysco Foods, Kwik Trip** and **Wilderness Fish and Game** for providing food and supplies.

#### 2012 Clintonville Deer Hunt

The Adaptive Sportsmen 2012 Clintonville Area Bow hunt was held October 16-19. The harvest drought continues for another year but not for lack of trying. A small buck walked less than ten yards away from a hunter in a ground blind but he had previously used his buck tag. Everyone that hunted more than one time saw deer. Kaley who was perhaps getting the "I have hunted several times and have not seen a deer" doldrums was startled when several does just yards behind her ground blind snorted loudly. She and her Mom, Brenda had a good chuckle over that one. The next night they saw several doe and a buck but out of bow range. That night I inadvertently walked upon a skunk thinking it was a dirt clump in a field. It retreated lucky for me.

Two weeks before the hunt, Mark (one of our hunters) and I visited several farms that neighbor the land we currently hunt. We introduced ourselves and the Adaptive Sportsmen's upcoming hunt dates. We were treated friendly and given permission to track a deer onto their land if necessary. One farmer, Everett Roe stopped by during the hunt and offered a few of his stands to our hunters. Within minutes they were in vehicles to check out this private land and hunted there that evening. For years we had friendly neighbors but never made the time to make a contact. I think it is worth making a face to face contact as the people may remember you better.

Ray Berendt and his son Austin as part of the Boy Scouts of America baited some stands for us in advance. Karl Keller is the easy going caretaker who is always willing to help accommodate us. People like Karl, Ray, Austin and Everett are the "behind the scenes" helpers that make this hunt a success. Private land will continue to be pursued as it not only gives our hunters a different view but creates relationships that may not otherwise exist. Larry and Linda Drake stopped by for a visit on Saturday evening. Larry would still be running the hunt if health problems in 2011 wouldn't have slowed him down.

Hunters and helpers keep working together to keep the Clintonville hunt going and growing. The help cooking from **Mary Mitchell** and the organizing of Steve **Prieve** keep this event on the calendar. Who knows maybe next year someone may even shoot a deer next year. **It could be you**.

# Outdoor Bound TV Episode 28 Rock Creek Disabled Outdoors

This is a great video of the deer hunting up by Dale Petkovsek's place in Willard, WI. Several of our members are in it, can you guess their names? Please pass this link along to all of your friends to show them what can be done. <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bJUzXUqYZwg&list=UUb5rZsOGl6BdbeKnyallL09g&index=1&feature=plcp">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bJUzXUqYZwg&list=UUb5rZsOGl6BdbeKnyallL09g&index=1&feature=plcp</a> or go to www.youtube.com and search "Outdoor Bound Episode 28"



#### **Donated Packer Tickets**

A pair of Packer Tickets was auctioned off this fall and **Amy Loehr** and her Mother were the high bidders. These were handicap accessible seats that **Glen Howell** donated. Here is a picture of the two of them at Lambeau. Thank You Glen!

## Tracked Wheelchair for Use (free)

The **Eden Chapter** of **Wings Over Wisconsin** recently purchased a tracked wheelchair for sportsmen/women with physical challenges to utilize in order to enjoy the outdoors. There is an article in the **Wisconsin Outdoor News** January 11, 2013 edition regarding the chair and its use.

It is free to use and also has a trailer that it is towed in. They recently had it cleared by the DNR to be allowed on all trails as well. You must be a Wisconsin resident to use it, and it is a first come first serve basis. To reserve the track wheelchair or for more information, please contact Larry Luedtke at 920-960-7986.

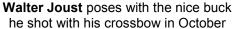




## Accessible Tree Stands for Use (free)

Adaptive Sportsmen has two accessible tree stands for loan. These are free to use by our members. Checkout is first come, first serve. You will need a trailer or pickup truck to haul them. The Small Capacity lift (above left) 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 (above right) 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@msn.com to reserve a lift.







**Trebor Luetkens** traveled out west to take this nice mule deer and antelope

#### In Memory

**Mike Bishop** attended our Shooting Picnic at Schultz's Shooting Center to prepare for the upcoming hunting season. He was not able to hunt, he passed away 11/16/12 and he will be missed.

### **Odds and Ends**

**Ralph Barten** makes zipper pulls for children with cancer from antlers. If you have any sheds you would like to give him contact John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 or email <a href="mitchellwi@prodigy.net">mitchellwi@prodigy.net</a>

Wanted to buy- used crossbow with crank contact Randy at <a href="mailto:rabbie52@frontiernet.net">rabbie52@frontiernet.net</a>