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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 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

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.

For Sale TenPoint Woodsman Plus crossbow (great condition) including, a range adjusting scope, carbon arrows and AcuDraw cocking system. \$500 Miles Miller 262-313-8161

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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 Openings

If you are an ASI member interested in becoming a board member and helping Adaptive Sportsmen Inc., starting with our 2015 election, please call 414-333-4745 or contact one of the board members. Thank you.

New Audit Committee Openings

We are looking for people to help do annual audits of our books. Experience is not required. This should be a one-two day look at our income and expenses to verify accuracy. Contact Bill Koch 262-707-0476 or Al Neu 414-617-4870

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Check www.adaptivesportsmen.org for more information

<u>February 14-16 – West Bend Fishing and Hunting Expo</u> The Expo is a new place for ASI to explain our group's mission and events to the hunting and fishing public. Volunteers are needed to man the booth. Contact Bill Koch at 262-707-0476 to sign up as a booth worker.

<u>March 5-9 – Milwaukee Sports Show</u> The Milwaukee Sports Show is the premier place for ASI to explain our group's mission and events to the public. We find donors, volunteers, and new members at the show every year. Volunteers are needed for the booth. Contact Bill Koch at 262-707-0476 to sign up as a booth worker.

<u>April 4-6 – Madison Deer and Turkey Expo</u> The Deer and Turkey Expo is another place for ASI to explain our group's mission and events to the public. We find donors, volunteers, and new members at the show every year. Volunteers are needed for the booth. Contact John Martinson at 608-628-2633 to sign up as a booth worker.

April 5 – Halter Wildlife Area Pheasant Hunt This Pheasant hunt kicks off our year's outdoor events with a "bang". Okay that was a bad pun, but this is a fantastic hunt. We have a really nice host in the Halter club, and they go all out to make this a memorable event. Lunch is provided, guides, dogs and plenty of birds. We always fill out our list on this event so please sign up early. Contact John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 to sign up or for information.

<u>May 10-11 Baraboo Turkey Hunt</u> Sign up for the Baraboo hunt to enjoy a great time at the BAAP and surrounding area. We will be setting up lodging again this year and we always have a friendly and helpful group of guides and volunteers. Contact John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 to sign up or for information.

<u>May 24 Madison Fishery</u> Our annual fishing event in Madison is a fun event that should not be missed. Contact John Martinson at 608-628-2633 for more information.

June 5-8 Mercer ATV Ride This will be our 10th year of holding an ATV ride in Mercer. We have had many memorable rides, met new friends and renewed old friendships at the **Pine Forest Lodge** on Spider Lake just outside Mercer. The ATV trails are fun, there is fishing, hiking and kayaking available for non-riders. We have volunteers bringing two and four place machines to accommodate people who want to go but cannot drive an ATV. Contact Allen Neu at 414-617-4870 for more information.

<u>June 21 – Horicon 3-D Archery Shoot. Madison Fishery</u> The 3-D Archery shoot is a good way to keep you shooting eye in shape during the summer. Contact Pat Buhr at 920-386-5644 for more information.

<u>August 8-10- Deer Fest</u> The summer Deer Fest has moved from Oshkosh to West Bend and we can use volunteers to work the booth. Contact Cal Popp at 920-517-8027 to sign up.

<u>August 23 – Summer Picnic and Shoot</u> Our annual summer event includes a picnic lunch, trap shooting, rifle range, pistol range, and 3-D archery range at Schultz's Club in Muskego. Contact John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 for more information.

<u>Oct 10-12- Baraboo Archery Deer Hunt</u> The Baraboo Hunt kicks off our deer hunting season. This event includes free lodging, guides and food. Contact John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 for more information.

Oct 17-19- Clintonville Archery Deer Hunt Dur second archery deer hunt is another fine event to attend. Contact Dan Jacoby at 715-356-7803 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.

In 2013 we helped with 5 projects including;

- Materials for construction of a wooden blind for comfort and concealment while hunting from the ground,
- Crossbows for physically challenged with a special DNR permit,
- Accessible modifications to a kayak, and
- A scope mounted on a crossbow.

Booth season

Well another booth season is upon us. The winter doesn't offer a lot of outdoor activities for our disabled members besides Adaptive Skiing and Ice Fishing. But we all can still get involved by helping out at the various booths that we have at the outdoor shows and sports shows that run through the winter and early spring. Take your pick, West Bend, Madison, Milwaukee, there is usually some place to help.

The nice thing about working a booth is free entry to the show and a chance to check out the show on your breaks. Meeting new friends and talking to the public about all of the wonderful things that our group does also are benefits of volunteering for a day or two.

Check out the event calendar for a booth near you and we hope to see you there!

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.

You could start with something as simple as a 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.

A more involved estate plan would involve giving a portion of your estate to the ASI. You can dedicate any amount of money or property for a specific event or purpose and 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.

We can also work with you if you want to 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.

TRAK Chair Donation Fund Update

The Safari Club International started our Trak Chair fund with a \$1000 donation. We set up a fund to complete the purchase and have already collected more than \$2700.. 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!



Cal Popp was late season bow hunting with a borrowed Adaptive Sportsmen bow and he made a 15 yard shot while sitting against a tree to take this doe. It was easy to find. (But it looks cold out there Cal, editor's note)

Baraboo Deer Hunt

Smiles abounded in Baraboo as old friends and new faces came together for our annual whitetail deer bow hunt. Most hunters and volunteer guides saw deer despite the heat and the rain that lifted manhole covers on the south side of Baraboo. Several were at close range but a shot did not present itself. One time the dry fire mechanism prevented the shot. The one shot that was taken resulted in an interception by a pine tree. This was the first year that no deer were taken during our bow hunt but it was very enjoyable nonetheless. Many hunters were in Badger while some others were at other locations around Baraboo. They had venison bratwurst and bear Italian sausage under the portable shelter. The **Country Plumber** donated the use of the largest most luxurious accessible portable toilet ever seen for our encampment at Badger. **Blystones Towing** saved the day for Heather when the cable for her chair lift jammed inside the door preventing her exit from the vehicle. Jeremy the mechanic came in after hours to make it serviceable for her.

Festivities included a walk around raffle Friday night when **Greg Borgwardt** our chef won the nice eight power binoculars donated by Vortex. The silent auction ran through the banquet Saturday. Thanks to everyone that brought donated and some homemade items. The banquet Saturday started with a salad bar and featured beef, turkey, vegetables, cheesy potatoes and several deserts. Thanks to **Sysco Foods** for supplying our meals and **Pan-O-Gold Baking Co**. for the buns. Most importantly thanks to all of the volunteers that gave of their time to make this possible.

By John Mitchell

Volunteer Spotlight

Bernie Pagenkopf is a longtime volunteer that helped with bow hunts in Baraboo as well as Clintonville. He has a deer tracking dog with a terrific nose and recently became another of our volunteer landowners.

In Memory, They Will Be Missed

Danny Peterson recently passed away. He was a disabled hunter and good friend to many people. He will be missed.





Clintonville Archery Deer Hunt 2013

The 2013 Clintonville Deer Hunt was held October 18-20 and the jinx on harvesting a deer was broken by **Kaley Wockenfus** who shot a doe. The weather was ideal and several private landowners allowed a hunter or two to hunt their property. The camp, school land and former town landfill comprise over 200 acres to hunt which along with the offers from private landowners allows us to better match hunter abilities to blind location. A big thank you to all who worked at the event to include **Mary Mitchell, Bernie Pagenkopf** and his tracking dog Tracker, the **Theine** family and **Pat Hansen**. There was an empty chair at the hunt which belonged to the late Steve Prieve. Steve's gorilla mask, pink wig, rubber chicken and sappy jokes kept things on the fun side and hopefully he took those with him in his next chapter to help lighten someone's load, as he did ours.

I believe everyone saw deer, relaxed some, and enjoyed great food and company. By Dan Jacoby