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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.

Lost & Found

Found- Binoculars, at the shooting picnic. If they are yours call John 414-333-4745.

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"Our mission is providing recreational opportunities for physically challenged people."

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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>May 24 Madison Fishery</u> The Madison fishery is a one day event with boats and lunch provided. We start and finish the fun at **TENNY PARK** in Madison. This has been a fun event and it promises to be a great time again this year. Contact John Martinson at 608-628-2633 or email <u>johnmartinson@msn.com</u> for information or to sign up.

<u>June 5-8 Mercer ATV Ride</u> 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. We start at 1pm and finish with an optional dinner put on by the Bowmen. 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>Aug 16 - Montello Sporting Clay Shoot</u> Montello Rod & Gun Club will be hosting their Sporting clay shoot on Saturday August 16th, 2014 at 10:30am on Hwy 22 about a mile south of Montello. They will supply the sporting clay targets, picnic lunch (and ammo and shotgun if you do not have one). The members do a great job of accommodating people's needs and everyone has a fun time. Contact John Martinson, cell# 608-628-2633 or email <u>johnmartinson@msn.com</u> if you would like to attend.

<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 or email <u>imitchellwi@prodigy.net</u> for more information.

Oct 10-12- Baraboo Archery Deer Hunt The Baraboo Hunt kicks off our deer hunting season. This event includes free lodging, guides and food. Contact John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 or email imitchellwi@prodigy.net for more information.

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

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!

Volunteers Spotlight

Larry Geike has helped us in the field during deer hunts and at the Milwaukee Sport Show booth including the physical labor to set it up.



In Memory, They Will Be Missed

My best friend **Kurt Christensen** passed away October 22, 2013 from pneumonia. I truly admired Kurt for his perseverance and his teachings of life in general. Kurt had a very kind heart and was always willing to help other people even if theywere a complete stranger. Some of you would remember Kurt and his loving wife Susan at our Annual Fishery, others at the Rock Creek Disabled Outdoors deer hunting in Willard. Kurt's fond memories will live with me forever and the world lost a wonderful man that day. By **John Martinson**

Jerry Briski passed away in August. He was one of the caring landowners that not only allowed Adaptive Sportsmen to hunt on his land but also helped call and drag for them. He also ran a Whitetails banquet for many years and donated part of the proceeds to us.

We received another call informing us physically challenged member **John Dargatz** has passed away.

"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.

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.









Booth season

SCI Badgerland offered a free booth to Adaptive Sportsmen at their Kalahari fund raising event on January 31st and February 1st. **Ray Rabuck, Lowell Boetcher, Dawn Ziegler** and I took full advantage of the opportunity to sell Benelli shotgun raffle tickets and give out information about Adaptive Sportsmen. By **John Martinson**

The 2014 Deer & Turkey Expo for ASI was well represented again this year with Cal Popp, Charlie Ande, Mary Mitchell, Dottie Dirksen, John Mitchell, Steve Spaeni, Monica Kamal, Katie Martinson and John Martinson. Garth Harris and Tony Paulson did a excellent job setting up the booth! Pat Buhr found us a nice Remington model # 700 with a synthetic wood grain stock that Gail Koch won from the raffle at the show. Thank you all for your time and efforts! John Martinson

The 2014 Southeastern Wisconsin Fishing & Hunting Expo was held on Feb. 14 thru 16 at Washington County Expo Grounds. This was a new location and was very well attended. A thank you to all that helped Cal Popp, Wayne Delponte, Charles Lohr, Bette Koch & Neil Sass. John Martinson should be also thanked for driving the trailer around and his son brought it to the expo site. The gun raffle is the real show stopper and ticket sale are over \$1150.00 for the show. We also had Jody Kehl of Crackie Creek donate a 5 Bird Hunt with guide service his farm is located near Ashippun, WI. We also handed out info on our club and hopefully will get us new members. The show will return in 2015 and they are planning on using both buildings as they had more people who wanted to exhibit. By Bill Koch

The Milwaukee Journal & Sentinel Sport Show 2014 is now in the history books. I would like to say thank you to all that helped with the show. The people who worked the booth include Wayne Del Ponte, Charles Lohr, Jeff Miller, Ron Anderson, Pat Buhr, Rick Oldenburg, Dottie Dirksen, Mary Mitchell, & John Mitchell. Ken Thompson, Larry Geike, Ron Anderson & Garth Harris set up or took down the booth. They did a great job and the booth looked great. A special thank you also goes out to John Martinson & Garth Harris for the chasing around with the trailer. John took the trailer to Wisconsin Dells, to Washington County, to Madison & back to Milwaukee I think he logged over 500 miles. Once again the shotgun was the show stopper at all the shows I feel it would be a good idea for our future shows. A suggestion was made by several of people who stopped at the booth we should have more fishing events any ideas on this would be welcomed. Bill Koch

Halter Pheasant Hunt

The Halter wildlife refuge was the host again for our pheasant hunt and it was marvelous. Thanks to them and all of the other volunteers for their hard work in making this a wonderful event. Everyone did a great job starting with registration, proceeding to the trap range and then out into the fields where the dogs did their work. After the raffle drawing and lunch of roasted pig by **Joel Chic** the tower shoot was the center of action. Everyone got some cleaned, vacuum packed, pheasants to take home. We had several new people join us and sadly several of our hunters have passed away in the last year. Thanks also to our lunch sponsors **George Groke**, **Halter Wildlife Refuge** and **Wal-Mart**. Here are some comments from the hunters:

-This was my first year participating in the event and I got to say the day was the most fun I've had in a long time. I will be back next year. Roger M.

-A great big thank you to all who put on this event. This is the highlight of my year for a truly great event we talk about it from after Christmas till the time of the hunt. I do not know how I could thank all the people who made sure I had a good time. Please keep it going. Bill K.

-I can't tell you how great it was. A big thanks to Joe for cooking the pig and even bigger thanks to the little lady who helped clean a good share of the tower hunts birds. Next year I will be there again as this was my first time doing this. I have an invite to anyone who would like to get out to fish with me to just get my info from John Mitchell. Thanks again John D.

-Monica went on her pheasant hunt today, beautiful day. She harvested 3! You should have seen the faces of the 5 guys hunting with us. Priceless... A big thank you, from Steve S.

-Thank YOU! It was an awesome gorgeous day and I am very thankful to Hank & Rock for being the handler/flusher-dog; Chad for lending me the all-terrain wheelchair; Steve for being my guide and all of the volunteers at Halter! It is always a pleasure. Today was incredible. THANK YOU! Thank you! THANK YOU! After a winter of cold and white, it was a bright colorful day of seeing hens and roosters full of color and black with effervescent feathers. As I rolled in the Action track chair, Rock (our dog) worked the field. The other men in my group were very supportive. I appreciate all of you. Thanks again for experiencing nature in its' fullest! Monica K.

-I wait for this hunt all year and as always it sure didn't disappoint. What a great time I had. The dogs are the best bird dogs and the people helping us are the greatest. Thank you for the best hunt ever, Don L.



