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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 Positions

If you are interested in running for a position on the board and serving our foundation please let us know. We will have elections early in 2018. Contact John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 to sign up as a candidate. All members are invited to apply.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Check www.adaptivesportsmen.org for more information

August 26 Saturday Family Picnic & Shoot We have our Annual Picnic and Sport Shooting Event at the Schultz Gun Club in Muskego again. We have a Picnic Lunch, Trap Shooting, Rifle range, and Archery shoot going on, along with plenty of fun and raffles during the event. Come out and enjoy the shooting, meet new and old friends, and get ready for the fall hunting season. Contact Mary Mitchell at 414-916-2298 or email jmitchellwi@prodigy.net to sign up or get more information.

Clintonville Archery Deer Hunt Oct 20-22. We will be having our Annual Clintonville Archery Deer Hunt in October. This is a fun event that has grown every year. We have lodging available, food, guides and plenty of fun. This event is a good chance to see deer and get re-aquainted with old friends and meet new ones. Come out and enjoy a fine time in northern Wisconsin and a chance to share small talk and tall stories. Contact Joe Ehr at 920 244-7737 to get more info or to sign up.

Dells Bow Hunt Date TBD We will be holding our late season Archery Deer Hunt in the Wisconsin Dells area again this year. Make plans to come for some fun hunting and enjoy the Wisconsin Outdoors in December. Contact John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 or email jmitchellwi@prodigy.net to sign up or get more information.

Action Track Chair

There are many places to get a track chair to use for hunting or other outdoor adventures. You can contact the following people for information and to sign up to use a track chair this year. For **Wings Over Wisconsin** call: Larry Luedtke in Eden 920-960-7986, William Burdahn in Mayville 920-948-0926, Carrie Ingish in Lacrosse 608-519-5516, and Heath Kersten in Green Bay 920-655-8687 **From Pheasants Forever Access Ability** Contact Ray Anderson in Madison 608-886-9388

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 purpose** We will keep that money separate and use it as you wish. From \$2 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.

"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.

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Please contact at allenneu@gmail.com 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 jmitchellwi@prodigy.net.

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

We Loan ASI Equipment to members

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 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.

Facebook Page - Please Post your pictures and stories

Please remember to check out our Facebook page and **Post your pictures and stories!** We all can share what exciting and fun things that our members are doing. Let's all stay connected!

Adaptive Sportsman Membership Application

Expiration Date 12/31/2018

Include \$ 10 membership fee
Pay to; Adaptive Sportsmen Inc.

Veterans Membership is Free

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 _____

Mail to;
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Baraboo Turkey Hunt

Thanks again to **Safari Club, Badgerland Chapter**, for their generous contribution, other wise we would all be all sleeping outside! Nicholas Novotny did an excellent job volunteer guiding for me, unfortunately the turkeys didn't cooperate. Thanks for the opportunity to get out into the great outdoors and do some turkey hunting with some awesome people. **John Martinson**

Bob bagged a Tom with a 9.5" beard and the sprout of another one on Friday evening. It came within 30 yards of a Jake decoy. This is what his guide wrote. "First we had to fix his blind for one of the hubs was turned backwards. Then the top rest on his shooting stick was broken. Between using a stick and "duck" tape, I got that fixed. Starting calling at 2:45, just before 4:00, I told and pointed to were toms have been known to come out onto the field we were watching and not less than ten minutes later there he was. When he saw my mounted jake decoy and lay down hen he made a bee line for the decoys. I got the gun on the rest for Bob and took the safety off. The tom walked right up to my decoys at 30 yards, I said shoot, Bob did, dead tom. 4:00pm. Took Bob to my house and cleaned the bird. Took the meat back to him Sunday 9.00am, on ice in ice cream buckets. Had a very good time hunting with Bob, real "good" guy. Great Hunt!!!! John

I wish I could say I got a bird but no. Brad Powell and I only saw 3 hens in the distance Friday and Saturday and 4 deer. I woke up late and didn't get to go hunting Sunday. We did manage to get a few ticks on us both and Brad was really great and gave me a history lesson on the Badger munition plant. It was still a good time though just to get out in the woods, and shoot the breeze at dinner time with adaptive sportsmen members and volunteers. Chris

The hunt went well . We didn't get a bird, but we could of shot another bearded hen. She came right in but was on the left only 30 yards out but Dale shots left handed and could not turn to shoot. By the time he could aim at her she was 60 yards out. We seen a lot of birds though. Mike

Scott and I had a lot of action but we couldn't close the deal. We heard gobbling all three days and had some close enough but couldn't see them and the ones we could see the closest we could get was about 70 yards. Just a little too far out for a clean kill. Nothing gets your blood pumping like a gobble close enough you could hear the feathers thump when he strutted. It makes you look forward to hunting again next year. Lloyd

I want to thank Lloyd and his brother Dan for getting permission to hunt where we were. We had plenty of action all three days of the hunt and not a shot to be fired by me anyway and a miss that I did not take . But most of all it is always good to get caught up with all my friends and to meet new people .I had a great time just being in the woods again .Thank you again Scott

ATV Ride in Mercer

The Adaptive Sportsmen ATV ride was held June 1-4 at **Pine Forest Lodge** in Mercer. We had 12 riders show up for a beautiful weekend of riding in the picturesque Northwoods of Wisconsin. **Greg Olsen** and his wife **Donna** brought three machines on loan from **WATVA** for the members who don't have a machine of their own. These were side by sides, a four seater and a pair of two seaters. **Pete LePage** brought his son Riley and their machine, **Brian Rodefer** and **Doug Bureta** took one of the WATVA machines, John Martinson rode with **Zach Ziesse** in another of the WATVA machines and **Tom** and **Marion Dureen** rode with Donna Olsen in the other. Tom brought his brand new machine out (2 days old) to join the crowd. We trailered the machines up to the trail near Saxon Harbor and had a great ride, out to Lake Superior and back to play in the sand pit near Hwy 2. After the sand pit we rode back down the trails to our vehicles and went back to Pine Forest for the night. John and Cheri Stratte were wonderful hosts and the lodge they own is a fantastic place to visit and wheelchair friendly. We settled in after supper for some small talk and big tales.

The next morning we headed out to see the southern half of the trails and stopped at Bearchasers for lunch. The weather was perfect, no rain this year, and it was wet from rain earlier in the week to keep the dust down. Tom and Marion decided not to ride on day 2 but they drove the car out to have lunch with the riders. Supper on Saturday went down real good after a long day and more reminiscing around the campfire followed.. Sunday was leaving day and everyone was sad that the weekend was over so soon. We hope to see more of our members up there next year.

ASI Cookbook

Do you have a favorite recipe? Something grandma or your great Aunt Sarah used to make all the time and got rave reviews? We're looking for your tried and true recipes for an Adaptive Sportsmen cook book. Anything from appetizers to window cleaners. Maybe you have some wild game recipes you'd like to share. We're also looking for short, funny one-liners and maybe a picture or two. Please help us make this the cook- book that everyone will want to buy. Send your ideas either by mail or email to; Recipes C/O Adaptive Sportsmen 8727 W Coldspring Rd, Greenfield, WI 53228.

Veterans and their recreational therapists from the Clement Zablocki V.A in Milwaukee have been attending local Adaptive Sportsmen events. Groups have been fishing four times a month during the summer. Now the Madison V.A. is inquiring about opportunities and adaptive equipment so John Martinson is going to present information at their fair this fall.

Volunteer Spotlight

Mary Mitchell always has good food and nice raffles at our events. She also puts in time year round working behind the scene.

Madison Fishery

The **Tim Richardson** boat with first mate Luke accommodated **Les Werner** and **John Mitchell**. Three of us caught some walleye, bass, BIG bluegills and a huge catfish. John was the only individual in the boat that could not bring one in but it was still a great time. **Tim Richardson**

As a wheelchair user, it might seem unusual that I fish from my own 16' Lund boat with a 40 horsepower Honda power tilt tiller motor. But the accessing of my boat with help of friends and family, I fish two to three days a week. Lake Mendota was new to me and we had a tough time in clear water finding any fish. John Mitchell from his cellphone told us where to go and we spent a nice couple of hours releasing undersized walleye and white bass. I am deeply sorry to report that fishing buddy **John Martinson** remained catch-less during our entire time on the water! **Jeff Pagels**.

In order to avoid accidentally losing my head under the low bridges on the Yahara River, between Lake Mendota and Lake Monona, two of the Adaptive Sportsmen volunteers helped lift me out of my power wheelchair and into a lawn chair on the pontoon boat. I do have good news to report! I still have my head! And despite my lack of fish, I had fun watching the kids on the boat bring in the monster pan fish. ~**Keith Wanta**

Pictures

We would like all of our members to consider sending in a picture of their recent outdoor experiences. **Please include the names of the people in the picture.** Send them to allenneu@gmail.com and we will try to get them in the newsletter, web page and facebook page.

Wicked Freedom Hunting Shacks

Wicked Freedom Hunting Shacks are located in Burnett county. All that is required is that the hunter have a disability (physical). The Shacks are managed by the WI DNR at Crex Meadows. Each hunter can reserve a Shack for 3 days. Each Shack can be driven right up to for access. Call 715-463-2896 to make the reservation, Go to the Crex Information Center in Grantsburg, WI the day before to get instructions and directions.

Contact Charlie Slater, 14323 State Road 70, Grantsburg, WI 54840, 715-463-5300 – Office 612-619-4600 – Cell www.harveyallenoutdoors.com

Picnic by the Pier, Kelly Lake

A beautiful sunny day greeted us instead of the sweatshirt weather of last year. Our loaner rods were used on both piers and our boat. The pontoon boat got a great deal of use making at least four excursions on the day. Many fish were caught and the nice ones cleaned for a fish fry at someone's home. Of course there were door prizes and a bucket raffle. Thanks to those that brought a dish to pass. They were salads, fruit, brownies, cheese and venison sausage to compliment the hot dogs, barbecue, beans and chips. Trophies were awarded for first fish, biggest fish and best smile.

Horicon Marsh Bowmen

Today was another great adaptive Sportsman event! Thanks for letting me start early, that allowed me to make another commitment in Madison. I hope you publish the results of all the Adaptive Shooters. I am curious to see where I ended up in relation to all the people that shoot crossbows. I hope to be back next year! Jeff Pagel

Jeff missed the great steak off of the grill along with vegetables, potato salad and home- made deserts. We also had prizes and Mary's bucket raffle. We had John Deere gators, ATVs and track chairs to get around the course on a really beautiful day. The boy scouts camped overnight and helped pull arrows, keep score and take pictures. Leading all shooters was **Rob Krantz** from the Horicon Marsh Bowmen with a score of 273. **Dustin Palenshus**, one of our members from Madison was close behind with 272. **Mike Kehrmeyer** the VP of Horicon Marsh Bowmen shot 246 and cocked my crossbow for the course. Our own **Ray Rabuck** also had 246. His partners on the course were **Cal Popp** at 240 and **Lowell Boetcher** at 238. The rest of the scores in the 200s were **Chris Salome-224**, **Dale Rebernack-232**, **Jeff Pagels & John Mitchell- 212** and **Pete Mittelsteadt- 210**. Thanks to the volunteers of Horicon Marsh Bowmen for making this event possible.

Hunting Opportunities

Adaptive Sportsmen has information on a Wisconsin bear hunt and a Nebraska deer hunt.

Two bear tags for zone C were donated by generous members that want them transferred to physically challenged hunters.

Two Nebraska bow hunts are available from a veteran for physically challenged veterans.

Email <mailto:jmitchellwi@prodigy.net> or call 414-333-4745 for details if you are interested.

Brad's Turkey Hunt

It was a short night when my caretaker Vicki Holcolm got me up. My best friend **Dave Carey** stayed overnight with us. We had a cup of coffee and donuts then took off. We wanted to get into my stand by sun-up. Dave set up the decoys and of course I didn't like where they were set. Lol. They were a little to far to the right and I can't turn that way very good. So Dave went out and put them straight (perfect).

Dave hardly got back in all of a sudden things started happening. Two jakes flew in and Dad said that they were legal to shoot. I took aim and boom, I leveled one. I can't remember for sure but I think my hunt was over by 6:30. Being in a wheelchair I liked that, not sure I like being all day in one spot, it's a long time for me. Next year is a long time away but I hope to get a bigger one next time.

Brad Suter



2017 ATV ride in Mercer Wisconsin

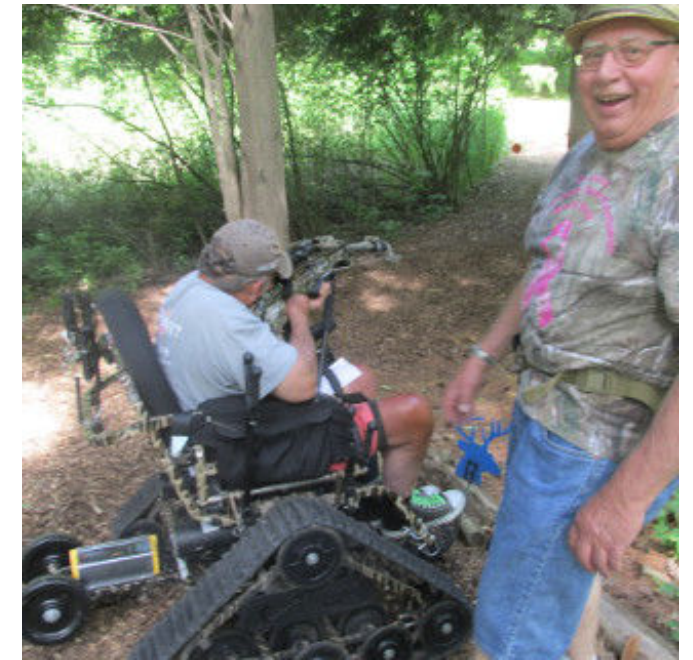


Kelly Lake picnic 2017





Kelly Lake awards and catch



2017 Horicon Archery Shoot

