



Adaptive Sportsmen Inc
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www.adaptivesportsmen.org



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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

Badger Turkey Hunt May 12-13 This hunt in Baraboo is a wonderful hunt and a great chance to see and bag a turkey. Lodging is provided and many old and new friends are waiting to be made. Contact John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 to sign up or get more information.

Madison Fishing Outing May 26 This fishing on Lake Mendota and Lake Monona starts at Tenny Park. Boats and bait will be provided along with a shore lunch. A fun event for the fishermen and boaters in ASI. Contact John Martinson at 608-628-2633 for more information or to sign up.

ATV Ride in Mercer May 31- June 3 Come up to the great North Woods and enjoy a weekend of ATV riding, fishing, kayaking, and more at the Pine Forest Lodge in Mercer. Food and lodging will be provided. Some loaner machines are also available. If you want don't want to drive but want to ride along we have dual machines for passengers. Al Neu Mercer 414-617-4870

Horicon Outdoor 3D Shoot June 9 Come out and enjoy an Archery 3-D contest at the beautiful grounds of the Horicon Marsh Bowmen. There will be a 30 target course winding through the woods and awards for high scores in several classes. Adaptive equipment to help you through the woods is available and guides will be provided. An Optional Steak Dinner is also available after the shoot. Contact John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 to sign up.

Kelly Lake Picnic by the Pier June 23 We will again have our picnic by the pier at Kelly Lake in New Berlin. This Private Lake picnic area on this 14 acre lake is fantastic, with two accessible piers, pontoon boat, picnic patio, Porta-Potties, and fire pit. Please contact Mary Mitchell at 414-916-2298 for information or to sign up.

Deer Fest August 3-5 Volunteers are needed to man the booth and sell raffle tickets. This is a nice show for deer and turkey hunters, along with many outfitters from other areas. Come out to check out the show and work the booth. These events are a way for ASI to inform the public about our organization and events. Contact Cal Popp at 920-517-8027

Family Picnic & Shoot August 25 We will have our annual summer picnic against the Schultz Rod and Gun club in Muskego. Trap shooting, rifle range, pistol range and Archery range will be open. Shotgun are available to loan at the trap range and we will have crossbows for archery shooting. Food is provided and there is a great raffle at the end of the day. Contact Mary Mitchell at 414-916-2298 for information or to sign up.

Clintonville Archery Deer Hunt Oct 25-28. 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.

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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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It can be yours

"The James E Dutton Foundation has provided a 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.

Halter Pheasant Hunt (Pics on separate page)

I want to thank you for letting us join in this hunt. We had a lot of fun running my dog. It was hard to meet up with all the different groups in the fields but I got some cool pictures. Overall we had a great time with all of the hunters. They got a lot of bird and had a fun time and that's all that matters. Please keep me in mind if you ever need help with any event. I know a lot of people who love giving back and helping out our fellow hunters. Thank you again for letting us be a part of your event and hope we will be able to join again next year.

Thanks Olivia (a volunteer).

This was the coldest year we have had for our pheasant hunt. Ten hardy hunters with physical challenges braved the freezing temperatures and shot over 100 birds (many many rosters included). The pictures tell more of the story. Mary & Dottie were there with some other volunteers taking care of the menu including salads, brats, hamburgers and desert. Thanks to **Trish, Debbie, Ericka, and Al** and all of the volunteers for making the hunters day.

John Mitchell

It truly was a great day of pheasant hunting at Halter Wildlife Inc. with the J team (**Jeff Ericksen, Jeremy Spitzer, Jim Jorgenson**, and myself, **John Martinson**). Lets not forget Jeff's hard working German short hair dog Gretha also! The day started out with a practice trap shooting round for making sure each hunter could handle their shotgun safely and efficient. Then we were paired up with a crew of a dog handler and atv driver, if needed and extra volunteers if needed. **Access Ability Wisconsin** (AAW) Volunteer **Dustin Palenhus** graciously brought down six action trackchair's in which I was lucky enough to hunt from one. The chair gave me the freedom to go where I needed to be plus it tilted back in order to give me more support for holding up my shotgun. Jeff's dog Gretha was able to work hard all day with the temperature as cold as it was, but the wind wasn't bad so the birds were flying pretty good. All the action of the hunt brought back fond memories of my youth hunting on the farm I grew up on when there was plenty of roosters to be had. We finished the day with a tower shoot were everyone got plenty of shooting action. Thanks to Halter Wildlife Inc., all the volunteers, **AAW, Macfarlane Pheasants Inc.** (for the 300+ mostly roosters), and everybody involved for a hunt I will never forget!

Thanks, John Martinson

Kelly Lake Ice Fishing Event

You may recall in 2017 we had to cancel the ice fishery because we did not have any ice. The 2018 event was on a perfect sunny calm 20+ degree winter day with 14 inches of ice. A large tent was erected on the ice and ATVs traveled the plowed trails across the lake transporting fishermen and their gear. It was a sight to see. The V.A. bus brought veterans out. The recreational therapists made two kinds of chili that were a big hit. Many deserts arrived courtesy of volunteers. Over 100 fish went home for dinner.

John Mitchell

Booths at Sport Shows

Our winter season of shows has ended. We were at the Fishing Expo, The Milwaukee Journal/Sentinel Sport Show as well as the Deer and Turkey Expo. New members and volunteers joined us and we sold raffle tickets to pay for our events. We all need to thank the booth Captains **John Martinson** and **Mary Mitchell** as well as their staff setting up, during the show and take down. They were **Connor Welch** & friends, the **Willms family, Tony Paulson, the Martinson family, John Mitchell, Ron Anderson, Chris Salamoe, Don Zurfluh, Lowell Boettcher, Randy Runge, James Hitchcock, Pete Mittlesteadt, Don & Dale Leschke, Brianna and Brad Powell, Jeff Pagel, Rick Oldenburg, Troy Kruckzek and Dottie Dirksen**. Without them our educational and exciting events would not take place. We have one more booth during the summer at Deer Fest if you want to help out.

Volunteer Spotlight

Trish Boehm the organizer of our pheasant hunt puts in many hours matching volunteers with hunters and dogs. Many of you have talked with her. The Halter Hunt would not be a great of an event is she wasn't there to take care of all of the detail. Thank you Trish!

Hunting Opportunities in NE Wisconsin

So you need a place to hunt? Maybe Adaptive Sportsperson's can help. In our membership we have individuals who are savvy about places to hunt. We call them our **hunting land identifiers**. Depending where you want to hunt, contact them to see if they can help. Finding a good place to hunt does not happen overnight. Making contacts months ahead of hunting season is not too soon.

Besides public land opportunities there can also be private land acreage that you can hunt on. Getting on private land depends on forging a good relationship between the hunter and the landowner. Besides finding property to hunt on, our Identifiers can help with tips to gain approval to access to private lands.

For: Brown, Door, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Calumet, Winnebago, Waupaca, Outagamie, Shawano, Oconto, Florence and Marinette County; contact: Jeff Pagels jcpagels@att.net or 920-366-5731.

Jeff Pagels

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.

DISABLED HUNTS IN THE USA

NOTE: It takes a long time for applications to hunt to be approved. For hunts in 2018, many deadlines have already passed. For an "Adventure Hunt of a Lifetime" planning should be part of the enjoyable journey. While you can still gain entry to some 2018 hunts many will be filled up, but now is the time to start planning a 2019 hunt. **There is a list of what is available on our web site for many of the 50 states and other countries.** Or you can just do an online search for "disabled hunting opportunities" to start your adventure!

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.

Wheelchair Whitetails - A Unique Opportunity for Persons with Disabilities: by Keith A. Pamperin

Last year during the first week of November I along with two friends from **Challenge the Outdoors** Inc. were invited to participate in the final bow hunt at **Steve Nooyen's, Wheel Chair Whitetails** in Florence County, WI...and what a fun experience it was. **Tommy Namore** and I, Keith Pamperin left Green Bay Thursday morning November 9th full of anticipation. **Jeff Pagels** and his wife **Jane** were to meet us in camp later that evening. The further north we traveled the snow increased making traveling and the north country beauty more interesting. The Wheelchair Whitetails property is very secluded with a long meandering entry road through stands of mature maple trees, bordered by thousands of acres of Marinette and Florence County public land.

Steve says, "Having been extraordinarily blessed by God, my wife Kristi and I have chosen to steward our God-given resources for the benefit of wheelchair-bound individuals through a program called Wheelchair Whitetails, LLC." In summary, Wheelchair Whitetails offers a three-day guided deer hunting experience to wheelchair bound hunters at no cost.

The hunts are crossbow only and occur from mid-September to mid-November on the Nooyen's 520-acre private property located @ 90 minutes north of Green Bay in Florence County, WI.

These are fair chase hunts with no fences. Hunts are conducted from wheelchair accommodating ground blinds, and transportation is provided to and from the blinds. All equipment, meals, and accommodations are provided for selected hunters and a companion at no cost.

In 2017, the inaugural year for Wheelchair Whitetails, Steve & Kristi hosted 17 hunters plus companions. Hunters arrived in camp Thursday morning, and after orientation, lunch, and some practice with the crossbows they were off to the woods. Hunters departed camp by noon on Saturday. Every hunter saw plenty of deer, and several were successful harvesting does at the end of the season. Shots were limited to 40 yards or less to minimize non-lethal hits, and "shootable" deer are determined from year to year to maintain a healthy deer population.

We are truly blessed to have people like Steve and Kristi Nooyen, that choose to inspire persons with disabilities to dream more, do more, and learn more in our great outdoors. I agree we could not have asked for more!

Applications for fall hunts open March 1 of each year. For more information, or to apply for a hunt, please check out their website: <http://www.wheelchairwhitetails.org/>



John Mitchell and crew work the booth at the Deer and Turkey Expo (above) Steve Noyen's Wheelchair Whitetails getting hunters ready (shown below)



Halter Pheasant Hunters get ready to go out (above), Taking aim at a pheasant (right), Trap shooting practice before the event (lower right), and John Martinson showing of a pheasant he shot while a volunteer's bird dog Gretha watches





One of our VA guests poses in the tent while ice fishing (above), John Martinson fishes in the tent while volunteers and guests watch (below)



A volunteer drills one of the fishing holes (above)



Activity around the tent as members prepare to start ice fishing (above)
A view of the fishing activity from the shore (below)

