



Adaptive Sportsmen Inc
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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 2019. 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

Wednesday March 6th to Sunday March 10 Milwaukee Sport Show Contact Mary Mitchell at 414-916-2298 to sign up and work the booth. Volunteers get free admission to the show.

Madison Deer & Turkey Expo Friday March 29th Contact John Martinson at 608-628-2633 to sign up and work the booth. Volunteers get free admission to the show.

Badger Turkey Hunt May 10-12 This hunt in Baraboo is a wonderful hunt and a great chance to see and bag a turkey. Lodging is provided. Contact John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 to sign up or get more information.

Madison Fishing Outing May 18th 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.

THERE WILL NOT BE A PHEASANT HUNT AT HALTER THIS YEAR. They are remodeling the main building and can't host the hunt during construction. We are scheduled for a 2020 hunt so make plans to be there next year.

Northwoods Adventure in Mercer May 30- June 2 We have changed the ATV ride to be focused on the whole selection of activities available at Pine Forest Lodge. Come up to the great North Woods and enjoy a weekend of ATV riding, fishing, kayaking, hiking and more at the Pine Forest Lodge in Mercer. Food and lodging will be provided. We will have some trak chairs for disabled people to use on the hiking trails. The Pine Forest pontoon boat is available for cruises on Spider Lake. If you want to ride, 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. Contact Al Neu at 414-617-4870 to sign up or for more information.

Horicon Outdoor 3D Shoot June 8 Come out and enjoy an Archery 3-D contest at the Horicon Marsh Bowmen Club. There will be a 3-D course in the woods. 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 22 This picnic area on this 14 acre lake is fantastic, with two accessible piers, accessible 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 2-4 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 24 We will have our annual summer picnic again at the Schultz Rod and Gun club in Muskego. Trap shooting, rifle range, pistol range and Archery range will be open. Shotguns 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 23-27. 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-acquainted 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.

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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 jmitchellwi@prodigy.net

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 12/31/2019

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.

Clintonville hunt 2018

This was my first Adaptive Sportsmen hunt. On arrival we met Everett an incredible gentlemen who gave us a tour of his land that we would be hunting. There were about 20 people in camp. Mary & Greg were the hostess and host providing us with more munchies and food than we really needed. Everyone gained weight. We would head out before day break and return for a late breakfast. After a nap we headed out for the evening hunt and returned at dark for dinner with all the trimmings. Joe was the organizer who coordinated everything from setting up blinds to pick up and delivery with UTVs. I personally saw many deer including bucks in the chasing phase that were too far out for a shot. I believe everyone had some encounters with deer. I would suggest to anyone in the future you would not want to miss this opportunity of fellowship and camaraderie that I will never forget from the Clintonville Hunt Camp Christus. By **Gregg Edgerle**

Check our Facebook page for more pictures. Send in photos of your fishing and hunting activities (and success) if you would like to share them.

Kelly Lake Ice Fishing Event

Adaptive Sportsmen joined with Wisconsin Hero for the 2019 Ice Fishery at Kelly Lake. The temperature was around 30 degrees a substantial warm up from minus 20 two days earlier. The fish were more fussy this year, eleven feet seemed to be the spot at which they would bite. Some people went home with a bag of bluegills. We had chili, hot dogs, chicken soup, banana bread and cookies on shore or delivered to one of the ice shanties. **John Mitchell**

Wyoming Hunt 2018

October 2018 found me immersed in the beauty of the Wyoming prairie chasing my very first mule deer. I set a goal to harvest a respectable 4x4 muley and was delighted after the first afternoon of scouting turned up a multitude of deer. The deer were feeding on the tiny acorns of pin oaks where they felt comfortable to mill around during daylight hours.

On the 1st morning of the hunt, my companions and I became quite discouraged as the driving rain and ever present Wyoming winds had us scurrying for cover. That afternoon our luck would change as my hunting buddy Aaron spotted two bucks bedded on a hillside scattered with the scrub oaks we identified as a food source the previous day. We laid out plans for a stalk and began carefully pursuing our target animal. A crosswind allowed us to close the distance undetected by the bucks. Suddenly out of nowhere a spike buck came prancing directly in front of us, only 15 yards away! My comrades and I froze. The young buck studied our outline and apparently decided we were a non threat. However the direction of his travel led him directly downwind of our position. At that point I considered all our efforts to be foiled. Amazingly luck was upon us as a swirling wind or thermal kept our scent from the deers sensitive nose.

As the youngster moved off, we finally had a visual on the buck with a 4-point frame and I steadied the cross hairs behind his shoulder. After the shot the buck ran a short distance only to backtrack and stumble to his final resting place on the Wyoming prairie. I could not have been more pleased with our successful harvest of such a beautiful deer. The hunt and stalk was as heart pounding as they get and to date, I have not had a more incredible or memorable hunt. Much thanks goes out to my friends Aaron and Tessa for making this dream hunt a possibility. **Lloyd Kalf**

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.

Tim Welch Wyoming Hunt

On October 1, 2018, I was fortunate to have the hunt of a lifetime with the Outdoor Adventures for the Physically Challenged group in Newcastle, Wyoming. I applied for the hunt at the Madison Deer and Turkey show in Madison about 5 years ago, and was selected for a Mule Deer and Antelope hunt. There were 3 other disabled hunters, along with their helpers, and the guides from Outdoor Adventures. All together there were 14 people in the accessible house.

I'm in a manual wheelchair, and before dawn on opening morning my guides Mike, Gator, and James loaded me in a modified flatbed truck in search of deer. We covered a lot of land, and the guides only spotted 2 deer, which we couldn't get to. Mike drove us to 1 last area before we headed in for lunch. Sure enough, the guides spotted deer on a ridge, the problem was getting close without getting busted. We drove along a creek with some willows for cover and got as close as we could. I saw the profile of a buck before I scoped it. Trying not to get buck fever, the guys said it was 309 yards, and uphill! I shoot a 30.6, and had never shot over 200 yards.

First shot I aimed over his back, no luck. Second shot I dropped down to 1 foot over his back-nothing. Third shot I settled on the top of his back-click, dead round. By this time, I'm shaking from being nervous and leaning, so Gator ejects the round and we chamber last round. I line up, shoot, and the guides go nuts as he drops. I couldn't believe it. Beautiful, mature 4x4 muley.

It gets better, we head in for a late lunch and the guys clean and refrigerate the deer. Power steering went out on truck, so guides load me into small trailer behind ATV to try for antelope. See goats, but too far and towards roads. Days ending, I'm still in dream world from the muley, and very tired. The guys ask if I want to try one more spot before heading in, fortunately we did.

We saw one buck Antelope with 4 doe, and Mike again got us within range without spooking them. By this time, I'm dragging, as Gator tells me its "only" 209 yards. After what seemed like forever for the buck to move from the does, I got him with the first shot. Unbelievable day with a great bunch of guys, ended with a gorgeous sunset that I have a picture of. Special thanks to **Ron** and **Barb Brunner** for the opportunity to hunt their ranch, my guides, everyone at Outdoor Adventures, and my wife Wendy for getting me out. **Tim Welch**-ASI Life Member (picture on right)

2018 Game Report

Opening weekend Sunday morning, GOD blessed me with a doe. **Mike Little.**

I was lucky this year as I got 2 does from my wheelchair. **Joe Palmer**

Send in your pictures for the Newsletter

We would like you to send pictures in for future newsletters and please include names and dates. Everyone likes to see themselves and their friends in print, lets make it a habit so we can showcase our group.

Send your pictures via email to allenneu@gmail.com

Spring Turkey Hunt Success

We all have our success stories and I would like to share mine from this spring. For many years now I have been going up to Wausau to turkey hunt with Wayne Krueger and Wheel Em In. (Wayne's 501(c)3). He hosts many hunts for disabled people and I I have been fortunate to participate in them over the years.

This spring he hooked me up with a new guide with a trak chair to hunt an area that hasn't had much pressure. We got in before dawn and took the trak chair down to the blind he set up. He brought along a friend who really loved to call turkeys and the three of us sat down to wait for light.

The sun was just on the edge of the horizon when an owl hooted in the woods. That got a gobble from a tom just west of the blind, and then another to the north of the blind, and then two more from turkeys to the south of us. It is so neat to hear the gobbles of the toms bouncing back and forth in the woods all around us. While all this noise was going on we saw two toms come across the open field in front of us. They got within 100 yards of us but then turned north to go across the road. We were so disappointed. No amount of calling seemed to bring any other toms close.

Then the two toms who crossed the road decided to come back. They re-crossed the road and answered the calls. Suddenly the lead tom just started running in towards our decoys. Get ready my guide whispered. Gun up just in time, I saw the tom and shot just before he ran over the decoys. Boom, down he went. The other tom must have been his long picked on brother because he began to attack the dead tom. It wasn't until my guide opened the blind door and stepped out that the tom decided to leave his dead companion behind.

We walked out to pick up my turkey and while standing in the field we heard another tom start gobbling in the woods around 100 yards away. That tom came up to the edge of the woods and continued to gobble as he walked by us just inside the edge of the woods. He would answer the calls my guide was making the whole time while just within view. What a wonderful way to end a spring turkey hunt. **Allen Neu**





Sighting in the crossbow at Clintonville (above)



Kitchen crew at Clintonville goes over their plans (above)



Jeff Pagel drags the doe behind his Trak chair at the Holiday Hunt this year (above)

Mike Little shows off the doe he shot this year (below)



Jeff Pagel with his pheasants from the Wings over Wisconsin hunt (below)



Jim Palmer shows off his doe from the fall hunt (below)





The view on the ice as the Kelly Lake Ice fishing event was in full swing (above)

Satisfied fishermen chat around the fire pit at the Kelly Lake Ice Fishing event (below)



Now I'm not saying it wasn't fun, but this picture of John Martinson holding a small Sunfish is the only proof we have that any fish were caught at the Kelly Lake Ice Fishing Event LOL (above)

Nice antelope shot by Tim Welch in Wyoming (right)



Lloyd Kraft with the nice mule deer he shot in Wyoming (above)

