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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](http://www.adaptivesportsmen.org) for 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 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 \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to;  
Adaptive Sportsmen Inc.  
8727 W Coldspring Road  
Greenfield, WI 53228

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #s \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please Circle One Physically Challenged Able Bodied Volunteer/Sponsor

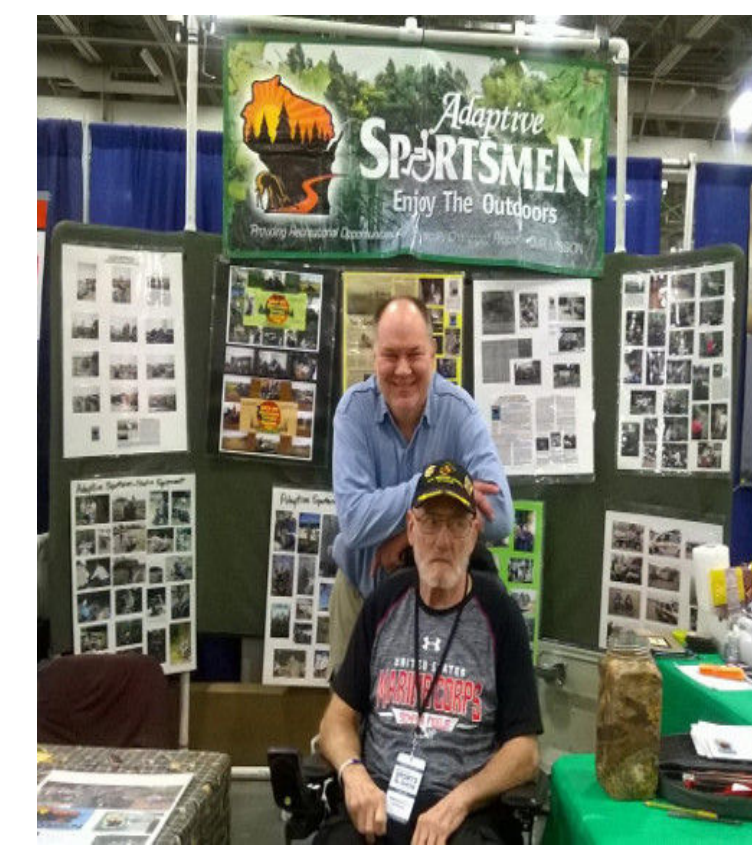
Interests Hunting Fishing ATV Riding Boating Snowmobiling Other \_\_\_\_\_



**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.



## 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.

## WRPCO 2019 Deer Hunt for the Disabled

The Wisconsin River Power Company (WRPCO) is again hosting a hunt for people with disabilities again this fall (2019). The WRPCO hunt is scheduled for October 11, 12 and 13 in the WRPCO's 750-acre Petenwell Wildlife area located adjacent to the Wisconsin River in Necedah, Wisconsin. Please see the WRPCO Deer Hunt webpage for the application and additional information about the hunt. Follow the link below: <http://www.wisconsinriverpower.com/hunt.aspx>.

## Send in your pictures and stories 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](mailto:allenneu@gmail.com)

## Adaptive Sportsmen's Picnic in August

Saturday August 24th is the date of the event. We will be shooting from 10:00am to 3:00pm with lunch from 11:00 to 1:00. We will have use of the trap, archery, rifle and pistol range. The Adaptive Sportsmen crossbows and shooting rests will be there for your use. Shotguns and .22 rifles or pistols are available for use from the Schultz's Rod & Gun Club. You may also bring your own guns that must remain cased until you meet your Schultz Gun Club volunteer. Shotgun ammunition in 12 & 20 gage will be available. Rifle ammunition will be available in .22 & .223. We plan to hold the bucket raffle open until 2:45pm.

This target shooting event allows those of us with physical challenges to site in and tune up for the coming hunting seasons. Your friends and family are welcome to shoot with you. Please let me know how many people will be in your group so we can plan to have enough food and ammunition. Here is the description of the event from our web page calendar.

Contact Mary Mitchell at 414-916-2298 for information or to sign up.

## Booths and Shows this year

The Adaptive Sportsmen booth at various sport shows helps us to raise funds to pay for events and to recruit additional members as well as volunteers. Thank you to John Martinson captain of the booth at the Madison Fishing Expo and the Madison Deer and Turkey Expo and to Mary Mitchell captain of the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel Sport Show. They not only help in the booth during the show but also do behind the scene paperwork with the companies running the shows and scheduling volunteers to set up, take down and staff the booth for the duration of the show. Volunteers is what makes the events of Adaptive Sportsmen possible. Thanks to all of you

## Barabo Spring Turkey Hunt 2019

No shots were fired during the hunt. That was a first. Many deer and hens were seen in the fields and there was plenty of gobbling but the Toms did not cooperate. The one Tom that did appear before a hunter chose the morning he had a trigger lock on the shotgun without a key. A bolt cutter fixed the problem for the afternoon but the Tom did not make a second appearance. A hunter commented "The views were worth it alone! I was taken aback. My constant laughter probably scared any chance of seeing a Tom.. lol. Even got to hang out in a high end shack... More like a tiny house!! Can't wait for next year... A guide summed up the weekend saying "we had a blast". The weather was pleasant. The Friday dinner at Glassier Rock in the Clarion Hotel and the Saturday dinner at Pizza Hut were terrific. Thanks to all the guides for helping out and to our sponsor the Badgerland Chapter of Safari Club International.

## Hog hunt in Iowa

For the disabled hunter this experience couldn't have been anymore perfect than it ended up being. Pilgrim Heights retreat center has accessible rooms that allow individuals to have privacy while still being in the same lodge with the rest of your group. I was accompanied on this trip by mom and grandparents. Bill Stuber is an excellent guide and he was very helpful in assisting with transfers between chairs and knows exactly how to adjust to meet the needs of disabled hunters. We took the trak chair out Saturday morning to a box blind in a cornfield and with the assistance of bill and my grandpa we were able to harvest a trophy hog no more than an hour into the hunt with the adaptive sportsman gun mount to help me shoot. A special thanks to Terry at North Star Gameland who did all the field work along with help from bill, his son Ryan, fiancé Megan, their son fletcher and Austin Brown who also took some great pictures. I'd suggest this hunt, location and group of people to any hunter. **Weston Strasser**

## Wisconsin Adaptive Sports Association

The Wisconsin Adaptive Sports Association (WASA) is a new group, formed from the various teams that were playing adaptive sports. By combining forces they have been able to develop good funding, coaching, and equipment for all of the Adaptive Sports currently available to members in Wisconsin. This has created an environment for growth and development for players of all ages. Please check out their web page and see if there is a sport you might like to play. Go to [www.wasa.org](http://www.wasa.org) for more info.

Wheelchair Lacrosse is a new sport, a cross between basketball and hockey, played on a hockey style dry rink, with pads and helmets. A fun and fast sport where you push all over the rink passing the ball, swatting at the opposing players with your racket, and occasionally scoring a goal. FUN!

Wheelchair Basketball is a big group, with Juniors, Adult D3 development, Adult D1, and Women's teams all playing.

Quad Rugby is a sport for Quadraplegics and high level paraplegics. It is often called "Murderball" for it's high level of contact and crashing allowed as part of the game.

Sled Hockey is a newer team sport with players sitting in special sleds on the ice. The sleds have blades on the bottom so the action can get pretty fast.

Wheelchair Softball, Wheelchair Tennis, Goalball, Wheelchair Bowling and Wheelchair Bocci are other sports that they offer.

## 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.

**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.**

## Volunteer Spotlight

Brad Powell is one of my best friends and an awesome volunteer for Adaptive Sportsmen's Volunteer of the month!

Brad started out volunteering at the Badger Ammunition Hunt. Brad was extremely instrumental with volunteering his services to help physically challenged hunters go hunting. Brad and his daughter Brianne volunteer at the Madison Deer and Turkey, and Fishing Expo to tear down the booth and work the booth.

**Thank you Brad and all of our other great volunteers for a job well done!**

**John Martinson**

## Northwoods Adventure at Pine Forest Lodge in Mercer

The 2019 Northwoods Adventure was held May 30 to June 2 at the Pine Forest Lodge in Mercer. ATV riding, boating, fishing, and hiking were some of the activities this year. Remember this is not just an ATV ride anymore so come out and have some fun in the northwoods of Wisconsin.

The Atv ride at the Pine forest lodge was a small group this year. However we all had big fun! The trails were smooth, All of the lakes, swamps, rivers were all very full, but it was dusty!! With a small crew on the Trail with only 2 side by sides and 1 ATV we were able to cover a lot of ground! We saw some nice wildlife and we had the trails all to ourselves. Really a fun day on Friday.

We got back to the Pine Forest Lodge and had a pontoon ride around Spider Lake. A few folks fished a little, we all shared stories and talked about some of the area's history. Bonfires every night, with just enough s'mores. Saturday we had a very slow and short ride on the trail system at the Pine Forest Lodge, that is very technical riding in a beautiful setting, just what everyone likes ! Then a quick hop to town on the Atvs to go get lunch for everyone. If you haven't been along for this ride, well you should and Nows the best time to start planning it. So send Al a message and come on up for next year. Great big thanks to everyone at Adaptive Sportsman, John and Cheri Stratte at the Pine Forest Lodge, Al and everyone else that helps make this adventure possible! Thank you **Pete Lepage**

## PONTOON BOAT RIDE

John Stratte took a group of Adaptive Sportsman members on the Pine Forest accessible pontoon for an evening leisure cruise around beautiful Spider lake. We were fortunate enough to see a doe along the shoreline getting a drink of water and a Northern sunset reflecting off the glass surface of the lake. Spider lake is a 385 acre lake with plenty of inlets and coves, wooded shore line and beautiful scenery.The pontoon boat is wheelchair accessible and easy to ride on.

Mercer story teller John Stratte will have you at the edge of your seat when he tells the stories the people and history of the lake and resort. Al Capone's had a hide out cabin on Spider lake, which is with in walking/ rolling distance of Pine Forest Lodge.Story teller Stratte will have to tell you about the recently discovered secret tunnel in Capone's cabin which ran down to the boat house were the bootleggers would deliver under the cover of darkness by boat shipments of illegal alcohol during prohibition. Other stories are about less famous but still colorful former residents of the area.What better way to enjoy a relaxing boat ride can you find. Fishing trips on the pontoon boat are a nice way to spend all orpart of the day. We had perfect weather and great company at our adventures at Pine Forest Lodge with our gracious hosts John and Cheri Stratte. Hoping I will be blessed to make it back next year and wish you could join us?

Thanks, **John Martinson**



Ben Nelson with his dad at the 2019 Baraboo Hunt  
Ben at the blind (below)



Showing off a trophy hog head at the Iowa hunt (above)  
Harvy Kurtz and grand daughter show off his 2019 spring turkey (below)



Group photo and nice hog shot in Iowa fall 2018 (above)

Hunter getting ready to hunt hogs, fall 2018 (below)





Northwoods Adventure group relaxes at lodge before supper (above)  
ATV riders get ready to ride on Friday morning (below)



Fisherman going onto the pier at Spider Lake (above)  
Pontoon boat riders enjoy the lake view of Spider Lake in the evening (below)

