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**The Adaptive Sportsman Newsletter**

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**Please contact at [aneu@adaptivesportsman.org](mailto:aneu@adaptivesportsman.org) 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 or Allen Neu at 8727 W. Coldspring Rd, Greenfield, WI 53228 or [aneu@adaptivesportsman.org](mailto: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](mailto:aneu@adaptivesportsman.org)

Turkey hunters please remember that we currently have a pair of **hunting blinds** available from the **Wisconsin Paralyzed Veterans of America (WPVA)**. These are trailer blinds, and can be checked out from Don Fell at the WPVA office, Wisconsin Paralyzed Veterans of America, 2311 S. 108<sup>th</sup> St, Milwaukee, WI 53227 or call 414-328-8910

**Equipment Loans**

We have a number of different blinds, crossbows and shooting supports available to borrow for your turkey or deer hunting. The latest arrival to our equipment loan program is two doe decoys donated by **Flambeau Products**. Contact John Mitchell at 414-541-4505 or email [aneu@adaptivesportsman.org](mailto:aneu@adaptivesportsman.org) to check out the equipment.

The DNR **Learn to Hunt Program** can be used to give disabled hunters who have little or no experience turkey hunting an opportunity to hunt. LTH programs for turkey can occur out of season and participants would not need to apply for a regular state of WI turkey permit, so if there is an illness etc. its easy enough to take on a new participant. Contact **Andrea Mezera**. Assistant Upland Wildlife Ecologist. [Andrea.Mezera@dnr.state.wi.us](mailto:Andrea.Mezera@dnr.state.wi.us) for more info

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Please Circle One Physically Challenged Able Bodied Volunteer/Sponsor

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



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**“Our mission is providing recreational opportunities for physically challenged people.”**  
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The 2005 booth and exposition season has drawn to a close with the Deer and Turkey Expo in Madison just completed. Our booths at various sport shows and banquets allow us to explain our mission of outdoor recreation for physically challenged people and to raise funds for these events. We hope that everyone had a chance to participate, and to meet and talk to the many generous people that help make our organization possible. This summer's events promise to be better than ever, with the Spring Turkey Hunt in Baraboo, ATV ride in Mercer, Madison Fishery, Archery Events in Horicon, Fond Du Lac and Verona, and possibly several other events to be added as the year continues. We look forward to seeing you at these events.

**Check the Calendar of Events on the web page for an up to date list of the events, event information, and contact numbers.**

**Spring Fund Raisers**

As many of you know, winter and spring is fund raising time for our organization. We have people attending many sport shows and banquets to raise money for our activities and to inform the public about our activities. We would like to acknowledge the efforts of our members, who work to make Adaptive Sportsmen a better group. **Thank You!**

**Eau Claire Classic**

**Dick Fisher** and his crew again manned a booth at the Eau Claire Classic January 28-30. The held a nice raffle and worked to inform people about our group. In addition to Dick, the following people helped out in the booth; **Betty Fisher, Jim Johnson, Duane Johnson, Paul Fisher, Chris Stanek, Glen Howell, Ashley Howell, Bernie Pagenhoph, Greg Borgwardt, and Dean Borgwardt**

**Badgerland Safari Club International**

The **Badgerland Chapter of the Safari Club International** held its winter banquet at the Marriot West Hotel in Madison Feb. 9-10. **Al Neu** organized the booth and **John Martinson, Charlie Ande, and Leslie Laabs** helped out.

**Green Bay Chapter of the Safari Club**

The Green Bay chapter of the Safari Club International held its winter meeting Feb 25-27. **Mary Mitchell, Cliff Phiefer and Larry Drake** worked there selling raffle tickets and passing out information about our events.

**Milwaukee Sports Show**

The Milwaukee Sports show was held from March 11 to the 20<sup>th</sup> at State Fair Park. We had a booth there to inform the public about our organization and to sell raffle tickets. **Mike Little** did a good job organizing the staffing for the booth, and **Ken Thompson, Amanda Little, Pat Sullivan, Nancy Fleischacker, Curtis Fleischacker, Bill Paulson, Mary Mitchell, John Mitchell, Lisa Little, Bill Koch, Charlie Lohr, Rick Schaefer, Bob Christopher, Al Geiske, Brian Graham, Al Neu, Miles Miller, Mark Tesmier, Mike Fleischacker, and Gene Wrench** all worked the booth during the show.

**West Allis Bowmen Banquet**

Thank you to **Brian Graham and Al Jeske** for their support and fund raising at their banquet March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Wittenberg Whitetails Unlimited Banquet**

The Wittenberg Chapter of Whitetails Unlimited held a spring banquet Saturday April 2 and is sharing the proceeds with Adaptive Sportsmen. **Larry Drake** worked hard on this banquet, along with **Linda Drake, Mary Mitchell, Charlie and Linda Ande, Lois Anderson, Dan and Shirley Jacoby and Gary and Linda Vanderhauvel**.

**Deer and Turkey Expo in Madison**

The Deer and Turkey Expo was held again in Madison April 8-10<sup>th</sup>. A wide variety of exhibits and displays were on hand. **John Martinson** organized the staffing for the booth, with **Garth Harris, John Mitchell, Charles Ande, Mary Mitchell, Mike Gustin, Gene Wrench, Al Neu, John Hammen, and Rick Schaefer** helping out.



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### ADAPTIVE SPORTSMEN

Check [www.adaptivesportsmen.org](http://www.adaptivesportsmen.org) for info

**May 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Badger Army Ammo Plant Turkey Hunt.** Check the web page for information or contact John Mitchell at 414-541-4505 for information.

**June 2<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual ATV Ride in Mercer** See accompanying article or call Al Neu at 414-617-4870 or email to [aneu@adaptivesportsman.org](mailto:aneu@adaptivesportsman.org) for more information.

**June 11<sup>th</sup> Horicon 3D Tournament & cookout.** Call Jeff Miller (920) 485-2387 for information.

**June 26 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Madison Fishery**

Noon to 8 PM. Call John Martinson to sign up or help out (608) 846-4518

**July 13-14<sup>th</sup> Lakeshore 3D Shoot, Fond Du Lac.** Contact John Mitchell for info at 414-333-4745

**August 13-14<sup>th</sup> Blackhawk Archers 3D Shoot,** Verona. Contact Les Werner (608) 845-8296

**September 30<sup>th</sup>-October 2<sup>nd</sup> Baraboo Bow Hunt.** Call John Mitchell (414) 333-4745 for information.

**Oct. 7-9<sup>th</sup> and 14-16<sup>th</sup> Clintonville Bow Deer Hunt** Call Larry Drake at 715-535-2697 for information

**Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> Smith's Pheasant Crest Pheasant Hunt** Contact John Martinson 608-846-4518 for information

### OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

**Challenge the Outdoors**, has the following event. Call (920) 833-6274 or (920) 766-9218 or send emails to: [ctoforme@yahoo.com](mailto:ctoforme@yahoo.com) for details

**April 16<sup>th</sup> Archery Shoot at the Archery Shack in Neenah** Call 920-733-6824 for information

**June 4<sup>th</sup> 7th Annual Shawano Lake Fishery & Picnic** Call us at (920) 833-6274 or (920) 766-9218 for details

**Pontoon Boat on Shawno Lake** is available from May-October for day or evening fishing outings. You can check <http://www.challengetheoutdoors.org/> or more information

**April 16<sup>th</sup> Whispering Emerald Springs** is holding their annual pheasant hunt. Contact Bruce at 1-715-233-1281

**Fishing Has No Boundaries**

[www.fnnbinc.org](http://www.fnnbinc.org) (800-243-3462) is holding several fishing events in Wisconsin in 2005, including;

May 20-22 Hayward  
May 21-22 Lake Winnebago  
May 28 Hayward  
June 3-5 Eagle River  
July 9-10 Madison  
August 20-21 Chippewa Valley  
August 27-28 Lake Winnebago

**Dunn County Sportsmen Alliance**

**June 11<sup>th</sup> Fishing event in Menomonie, WI.**

Contact Mary Butler at 715-232-1496 or email to [mbutler@co.dunn.wi.us](mailto:mbutler@co.dunn.wi.us) for information. They offer fishing and hunting opportunities for people with disabilities.

**Visit the Wisconsin DNR "Open the Outdoors" website** for information on events, licenses, and permits for disabled hunters at: <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/at/af/open/>

### Donations

Thank you to the generous people of Wisconsin, including **Wisconsin Deer Hunters, Whitetails Unlimited, Lori G Wildwood Archery, Badgerland Safari Club, Quadgraphics**, and other anonymous donors for their recent contributions.

Check out this website. It seems to be a really excellent site and has a lot of useful information from adaptive equipment to Hunting and fishing regulations for the US. The site address is [www.atarcy.info](http://www.atarcy.info)

### Turkey Caller

A landowner called us and he would like to take physically challenged hunters out on his land to call turkeys. If you have a **Zone 12** spring tag contact John Mitchell 414-333-4745.

Email or write to us with your hunting and fishing successes so that we can list them in the "BACK TAG". We will try to run the back tag twice a year, so if you miss one, we can always get it in the next issue. [aneu@adaptivesportsman.org](mailto:aneu@adaptivesportsman.org)

**Volunteer Profile:** Some of you know **Dottie Dirksen**. All of you that have attended the Lori G Wildwood Archery 3D shoot, the Badger AAP bow deer hunt or the Camp Gray membership meeting have tasted some of her good cooking. She was happy to announce taking her first deer with a bow in 2004. She previously took a coyote with it!

### 2005 HDTV RAFFLE

In 2005 we are holding a fund raising raffle to help pay for the many events that we hold. This year we decided to raffle off a **55" Sony HDTV** and **Sony Home Theater System**. Raffle tickets are \$5 or 3 for \$10 and the drawing for the TV will be held Oct. 1 at the Baraboo deer hunt. This TV and home theater system is a \$4000 value, so it's going to be a great prize to win. Everyone should contact Mary Mitchell at 414-916-2298 to get tickets to sell. We need to sell lots of tickets to help pay for our events during the year.

**If you can arrange to spend a day in front of a local Wal-Mart, Gander Mountain, Best Buy, or other retail store to sell tickets, that would be helpful. We can arrange for signs or posters to help explain the raffle and our organization's purpose. Everyone should be working to sell these raffle tickets, since it is a major funding source for all of our events.**

**Board of Directors Meeting, Jan. 15, 2005**

Members can contact Kristy Richardson for the minutes of the meeting or other details.

**Disabled Youth Bear Hunt Opportunity**

Following the example of the bear permit donated to Miles Miller last year, another generous hunter has offered to transfer his permit to a physically challenged youth. Contact John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 or send an email to [aneu@adaptivesportsman.org](mailto:aneu@adaptivesportsman.org) if you know of a youth that would be interested.

### 2005 Snowmobile Ride

The 2005 snowmobile ride was cancelled due to bad weather. We were supposed to drive up to the **Pine Forest Lodge** in Mercer WI March 18<sup>th</sup>, but a snowstorm made travel too difficult. Jim Zomcheck was able to demonstrate his snowmobiling technique to several of us in Waukesha, but we will have to wait until next year to hold an Adaptive Sportsmen snowmobile ride.



**Jim Zomcheck** (on snowmobile above) shows us the wheelchair bracket and Velcro patches that he uses to safely ride a snowmobile. Jim is a T-8 paraplegic who is an avid hunter, snowmobiler, bowler, and skier who doesn't let his disabilities stop him from enjoying Wisconsin outdoor recreational activities.

### Additional Events

The **Milwaukee Iron** wheelchair Quad Rugby team invited Adaptive Sportsmen to participate in the Mobility Fair held as part of their tournament at South Division High School on February 12<sup>th</sup>. **Mike Little, Patrick Sullivan** and **John Mitchell** were on hand.

The Quad Graphics plant on Hwy 100 was the site for the **LEAPP Fair** (Local Educators & Agencies Promoting Potential) on February 16<sup>th</sup>. The program was organized by the Wauwatosa school district and focused on summer activities for families with physically challenged children. **Rick Schaefer, John Mitchell, Miles Miller** and **Scott Miller** staffed the booth and distributed literature.

**Mark Robinson** and **John Mitchell** were speakers on February 18<sup>th</sup> at a continuing education seminar sponsored by UWM for the Therapeutic Recreation Association. We discussed the benefits of an Adaptive-hunting program for people with physical challenges.

### The Lori G Archery Tournament

The **2005 Lori G Wildwood Archery** indoor shoot on March 5<sup>th</sup> was another great event. Physically challenged and able body shooters used crossbows; compound bows and recurve bows side by side. The course was challenging, requiring us to shoot around fence posts and Christmas trees. The targets included black bears, skunks and baboon. A delicious lunch included hot dogs, bratwurst, barbeque and **Mark Seely's** famous chili with noodles and we had a bucket raffle near the registration table. Thanks to Don, Ken and all of the volunteers that set up and took down the course. A very special thank you goes out to the young volunteers **Evan Rosenow, Alex Wolff** and **Kathy McCarter** who pulled arrows and served lunch. The top three shooters with compound bows were **Brian Graham**, 228 pts, **Henry Loupon** 220 pts and **Mark Seely** 216 pts. The top three with crossbows were **Walter Joost** 221 pts, **Steve Prieve** 219 pts and **John Mitchell** 214 pts.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual ATV Ride

The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual ATV ride in Mercer WI. is planned for June 2-5. Last year we had 9 disabled riders and this year we hope to have 20 disabled riders (companions and helpers are welcome). **The event costs \$20 per person and includes food, lodging and use of an ATV if you don't have one.** We will be arriving on Thursday, and riding on Friday and Saturday with a banquet and campfire on Saturday night. Sunday is an optional riding day and travel day. **Sign up deadline is May 15**, and it's first come, first serve, so don't wait till the last minute. Check our web site or call Al Neu at 414-617-4870 for signup information. We look forward to seeing many new faces at this year's ride.