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The Adaptive Sportsman Newsletter Vol. 19 May 2009 Edited by Allen Neu Volunteers, participants and ideas for events or activities are always welcome. Contact John Mitchell at 8727 W. Coldspring Rd, Greenfield, WI 53228 or <a href="mailto:aneu@adaptivesportsman.org">aneu@adaptivesportsman.org</a>

# **Volunteer Spotlight**

Ray Rabuck is our special Volunteer of the issue. Ray guided Richard Weight to a nice 9-point buck last year at Baraboo. It was not the first time he guided one of our hunters to nice buck. He also got his own personal best in 33 years of hunting. It had a 19 & 3/8 inside spread with 13 score able points that grossed 164 & 6/8. You can see the picture of Ray's buck coming soon on the web page. Congratulations Ray!

# 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. Thank you is an inadequate expression for their generosity. We are eternally grateful." If you or someone you know would like to be considered for this new equipment program please contact Adaptive Sportsmen Inc. with your request at <a href="mailto:imitchellwi@prodigy.net">imitchellwi@prodigy.net</a> by June 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### **BEAR HUNT FOR DISABLED YOUTH**

We have been offered two separate Fall Bear Hunting opportunities for disabled youths. If any disabled youth wants to go on a bear hunt, please send a letter to John Mitchell at 8727 W. Coldspring Rd, Greenfield, WI. 53228. We will hold a blind drawing for the spots. Call John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 or email <a href="mailto:imitchellwi@prodigy.net">imitchellwi@prodigy.net</a> for more information.

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# Adaptive Sportsmen Inc.

"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



# OCTOBER GIFT CARD RAFFLE

We are raffling off Gift Cards from Gander Mountain for our fundraiser this year. There will be only 2500 Raffle tickets sold, and the four Prizes are \$2000, 500, 250 and 250. The drawing will be held in October at the Archery Deer event in Baraboo.

To get a raffle ticket, call Les Werner at 608-513-4312 or Mary Mitchell at 414-541-4505.

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### You can also check www.adaptivesportsmen.org for information on events.

May 9-10 ...... Baraboo Turkey Hunt. The annual turkey hunt at the Baraboo Badger Army Ammo Plant. We will have a story on this in our next issue, good luck to all the hunters and guides.

May 27-31 ...... Mercer ATV Ride. There is still room for riders, both disabled and able-bodied riders. We always have a great time, plenty of trails to ride, scenery to view, friends to spend time with. The Pine Forest Lodge is a great resort on the shores of Spider Lake just outside of Mercer. Cost is \$30 per person and includes 3 nights lodging, food, and whatever else we can rustle up. Contact Al Neu at 414-617-4870738 for more information or to sign up.

**June 17** ...... Lake Michigan Fishing. The Ozaukee Fishing Club is sponsoring a disabled charter-fishing event on Lake Michigan in conjunction with the WPVA. Contact **Bill Koch** at 262-707-0476 or check the web for more information.

**June 20 ....... Madison Fishery**. This fishing event features Pontoon boats and regular boats on Mendota and Monona Lakes, with lunch at Tenny Park. Contact **John Martinson** at 608-628-2633 for more information.

**June 27 ....... Horicon Archery 3-D Shoot and Picnic**. This is always a fun event at the Horicon Marsh Bowman Club in Horicon. Contact **Pat Buhr** at 414-545-9738 for more information

**August 29 ....... Picnic and shooting event**. Come out to Schultz's Gun Club in Muskego for a fun time, with an Archery shoot, Trap shooting, pistol range, and picnic. Interesting people, auction and raffle items to complete the afternoon. Contact Mary Mitchell to sign up at 414-541-4505.

**October 9-11.....Baraboo Deer Hunt** Archery deer hunt in Baraboo, WI. 2-1/2 days of hunting, food, and lodging are provided for this great deer hunt. This is a wonderful area to see some big deer and enjoy the Wisconsin outdoors. Email us or call John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 for more information or check the web page for a hunt application form.

# **Northern Deer Classic by Glenn Howell**

The raffle winners are; Deerskin gloves-Krissi Luedtke-Stanley, \$100 cash-Dale Howell-Cadott, 50 Caliber Smokepole-Dan Thornton-Chippewa, 22 Magnum rifle-Gary Nelson-Sand Creek, Winchester knife-Wendi Hughes-Greenville, Gerber knife-Josiah Huppert-Ellsworth, Ground Blind-Kyle Pederson-Waupan, Packer Football-Mary Mitchell, Stealth Cam-Mary Mitchell, Leinenkugel's \$25 Gift Cert-Rick Stohr-Elmwood, Jeff Gordon Jacket-Dean Berlin-Mondovi, Turtle Lake Cert-Jean Morow-Milwaukee.

Thanks to our crew **Dale Howell**, **Bob Rude**, **Chris Stanek**, **Bernie Pagenkopf**, **Adam Petersen** & Captain **Glen Howell**.

# 6<sup>th</sup> Annual ATV Ride in Mercer Wi. May 27<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>

The 6<sup>th</sup> annual ATV ride in Mercer will be the weekend after Memorial Day, May 27<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>. Sign up to enjoy the ATV trails around Mercer Wi and the great resort on Spider Lake. Along with the chance to ride the ATV trails the resort has a boat landing kayaks to lend out, and a great view of the lake. My favorite spot is the firepit at night when the tall tales start. The accessible **Pine Forest Lodge** just outside Mercer, run by **John** and **Cheri Stratte** is the perfect place to begin and end an ATV ride in northern Wisconsin.

Cost is \$30 for members, and that includes 4 days and 3 nights of lodging, food on Friday and Saturday, and plenty of fun stuff to do.

Ride Applications are online, print one up and send it in, or call me at 414-617-4870 to reserve your spot. You can also email me at allenneu@gmail.com to sign up



# **Deer and Turkey Expo in Madison**

The 25th Anniversary of the Madison Deer and Turkey expo this year was a tough call on how we where going to produce on ticket sales and new member sign up with the way the economy is and the fact that our #1 salesmen Les Werner was going to be at the fun filled Halter pheasant hunt on Saturday this year, but I was pleasantly surprised at the end results with our team effort of **John Mitchell**, **Les Werner**, **Mary Mitchell**, **Kurt Christensen**, **Joe Kunz**, **Debbie Kunz**, **Al Neu**, **John Martinson**, **Ken Berg** and his son Steve for doing a terrific job that is very much appreciated by Adaptive Sportsman!

Team effort and hard work will keep our family of members from Adaptive Sportsman going though these tough times and I'm proud of the effort of everyone of our members for their perseverance.

The double booth that is near the entrance of the show was set up very comfortable with plenty of room for the wheelchairs to move around and displayed all the informative picture poster boards of our events that Mary Mitchell made and give out information to new members on one side and have ticket sales on the other. Thanks to all the volunteers and people who support our family at Adaptive Sportsman!

#### Halter Wildlife Area Pheasant Hunt

April 4, 2009 was the date for the Halter Wildlife Area Pheasant Hunt. You could feel the excitement in the air when you first pulled up to the club. The dogs were wining to get out of their kennels. The hunters arrived and could barely hold in their excitement to get out in the fields. It all seemed to happen so fast. I don't think in the 5 years that I have been volunteering that I have seen so many birds. It was truly amazing. Every hunter shot at least 5 birds, and I know all of them left smiling from ear to ear. We were lucky enough to have 400 birds donated this year. I have to send a HUGE thank you out to Halters Pheasant Club for hosting our hunt every year, without them we would have no where to go. Thanks also go out to all of our other sponsors, Artisan Taxidermy, Solofra Heating and Plumbing, Dr. Basil, Moerke Display, Walmart, Wings over Wisconsin, Postocka Hunt Club, Long Birds and Turkey Federation. Sunnyside Rod and Gun Club, R. K. W., Johnsons Bank, First Banking Center, McFarland Birds, Carrie Wirsba, Tim Ziml with Oakridge Pheasants, John Sawanson with Swanson Pheasant Farm, Reinimens, Gander Mountain, Grokey Catering, and J &B Cycles. Without these sponsors we wouldn't be able to put on this wonderful pheasant hunt.

Written by Briana Krowlek

#### **MILWAUKEE SPORTS SHOW, 2009**

Once again the Milwaukee Sport Show was a great success. Adaptive Sportsmen sold \$1350,00 of raffle tickets with the top ticket sellers being Les Werner and Ken Berg. The Milwaukee Journal showed up and did an article with pictures that appeared in Saturday's March 7 Local news section. **Dan Small** visited our booth and said he would do a TV show on one our events in the future.

I would like to thank all the people that helped man the booth, including Charles Lohr. Bob Ruth, Ken Berg, Rick Oldenberg, Ron Anderson, Tom Gertsman, Al Neu, John Mitchell, Mary Mitchell, John Martinson, and Les Werner. A special thanks to the following for setting up and taking down the booth, Ken Thompson, Larry Geike, and Garth Harris.

It was nice of all our members who stopped by to buy tickets and just to say hello. Once again thanks to all of you

Bill Koch



## ADAPTIVE GUN SUPPORT USED BY LINDSAY MUENCH

The DNR referred 12 year-old Lindsay Muench (shown above) to Adaptive Sportsmen to borrow the "fancy" gun mount we purchased with the grant from the NRA. Below is a letter from her mother to tell us about her hunter safety class and her enthusiasm for hunting. Hi John,

The field day went great. They were scored on 3 different things for the test. There was a written part, a shooting part, and the field test, which covered bow stands, parts of the gun, hunting safety parts. It went from 9 to 3 so they were very busy. In the shooting part she ended up hitting 3 out of the 5 targets, which was great!

The teacher called Steve on Sunday and told him that out of the 40 people taking the class she scored the highest in the class and is going to receive a Kenny Stuart Memorial Award on Wed night. This is a award that was started about 5 years ago in memory of a teacher that was killed on the way to field day. We all knew him in the community so it is very meaningful. We are very proud of her and we are not telling her she was top of class. We are going to surprise her on Wed night. I will talk to Steve about when we can get the rests back to you. Thanks so much for all the help and we will definitely be involved with future events in the club.

Tracy Muench

**Sun Africa Safaris** again this year donated a hunt to Adaptive Sportsmen for a physically Challenged hunter. **Pete LePage** won last years hunt and he is scheduled to go this September. This is a South Africa Eastern Cape 10 day Hunt, 1x1, for one hunter & one non-hunter. That means you would have one professional guide for you and you could take a non-hunter along to help out or to enjoy the hunt without taking any animals.

Sun Africa Safaris <a href="www.sun-africa.co.za">www.sun-africa.co.za</a> 100% donated this hunt for '09 or 10'. March to October seasons. Includes: trophy fees for (impala, common springbuck, mountain reedbuck, duiker & ostrich), trophy prep, trophy trans to shipper, license (permits), and accommodations in a fully appointed stone built lodge! Extra hunters @ \$350 day and extra nonhunters@ \$150. Extra animals can be hunted for listed trophy fee. Hunt arrival & departure point is Port Elizabeth. Not-Included: weapon permit. Sun Africa owners are **Pierre** and **Annalie Moolman.** 

Please contact John Mitchell by mail, email or phone 414-333-4745 to sign up for this hunt. Only sign up if you are serious about going, there will be airfare and incidental costs and you might want to purchase other animals during the hunt. **Sign up Deadline is June 15th.** 



#### 6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WILDWOOD SPRING 3-D ARCHERY SHOOT

Friendship and good times are as natural together as a bow and arrow, and what a great time everyone had proving just that at Wildwood Archery in Union Grove on Saturday March 21<sup>st</sup>. Shooters waited in line to get a chance to test their skills on the challenging indoor 3-D course. Mark Seeley was on hand to give an informative demonstration on bow hunting for turkey using the latest technology in broad heads. High scorers for the tournament were, Mark Seeley 234, Walter Joost 232, Scott McKendry 219, Bob McKendry 215, Lee Geisser 215, Dan Ade 209, Femando Rodriguez 206 and DanWolff205.

Lunch consisted of venison chili, ham sandwiches and potato soup along with rice krispie treats and chocolate cake. The amount of food consumed told us exactly how good it all was! People mingled, renewed friendships and teased each other while the numbers were called for the winners of the many bucket raffles. The quilt, donated by Dottie, was won by **Les Werner**.

Thank you to all who made the day a success, especially **Sherry Nielsen** (rice krispie treats), **Mary Mitchell** (ham and fix'ns), **Alexis**, **Lilly** and **Dan Wolff**. To **Steve Prieve** for his potato soup and **Laurie Wolff** for the chocolate cake.

A very special thank you to **Jim Caminiti** and **Don Boelter** (Wildwood Archery Center Pro Shop), I couldn't have done this without you guys!

Hope to see all of you next year! - **Dottie Dirksen**