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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 <u>Post your pictures and stories!</u> We all can share what exciting and fun things that our members are doing. Let's all stay connected!

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"Our mission is providing recreational opportunities for physically challenged people."

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Covid update and info

Adaptive Sportsmen hopes that all of our members are safe and healthy as we see that Covid has continued to cause many changes and cancellations, while the rollout of the new vaccines has raised hope of a return to normal. We will continue to evaluate all future events and make decisions based on the conditions at that time. If you have any questions about events please contact the event co-ordinator or John Mitchell at 414-333-4745 to see if any changes have been made to the dates or size of each event.

2021 Calendar

Watch your mail and our web page for more news on the events we are planning to hold.

Saturday July 10th Madison Fishing Outing, rescheduled from May 23. The Madison fishing outing has been rescheduled due to bad weather in May. This is a great fishing event on Lake Mendota and Lake Monona. Contact John Martinson at 608-628-2633 or email him at johnmartinson@msn.com for more information or to sign up.

August 6-8 Deer Fest We will have a booth at the Deer Fest in West Bend again this year. We could use volunteers to man the booth to spread the word about ASI and to sell raffle tickets. Contact Cal Popp at 920-517-8027 or email at lovemypins@att.net.

August 28th **Family Picnic & Shoot** Our annual picnic and shoot is at Schultz Gun Club in Muskego. We have free trap shooting, rifle and pistol ranges will be open, a 3-D archery rang, food and Raffle prizes. This is a fun time and a good place to meet old friends and make new ones. Contact Mary Mitchell at 414-916-2298 to get more information or to sign up.

September 4th Feather Ridge Disabled Pheasant Hunt. Shoot trap at 10 am, eat, and then go out hunting! We will be using pointer dogs, mostly track wheelchairs for about a dozen hunters. First timers, veterans and full-time wheelchair users will have first choice. The hunt is located Feather Ridge Game Farm 970 Sherman Drive Marshall WI. 53559Contact John Martinson at 608-628-2633 or johnmartinson@msn.com to sign up or to get more information.

October 22-24 Sandhill Archery Deer Hunt We will be able to use the buildings at Sandhill this year, so the hunt will go on. Check our website for more information as the hunt gets closer or contact Glenn Howell at 715-456-4619 or email at howellg@workforceresarce.org

October 29-31 Clintonville Bow Deer Hunt This archery deer hunt has become a nice place for our Adaptive Sportsmen members to hunt and gather with friends in the Wisconsin deer hunting tradition. Contact Joe Ehr at 920- 244-7737 or email at josephehr@yahool.com to sign up or to get more information.

Other Event

I would like to advise Adaptive Sportsman that Challenge the Outdoors is holding it **Sporting Clays Fundraiser**, Saturday July 31, 2021 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm, at J & H Game Farm HWY 156 west of Navarino. For info check CTO web Site CTOforME.org or Facebook. Thank You Keith A. Pamperin

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.

Volunteer of the month

Doug Kugler, a teacher at the Waukesha County Juvenile Center, has led students through a project for the past two years making custom wood pens for veterans that are packaged with a note thanking them for their service. Students making the pens get community service hours for making pens at the center. Adaptive Sportsmen whose mission is Outdoor Recreation for Physically Challenged People will be distributing the pens to veterans.

For Sale

I have a Invacare transstar handcycle for sale ridden maybe 40 miles. Like new. \$500 920-822-8234 Phillip Rosenberg

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.

<u>Donation of hunting equipment and adaptive equipment.</u>

<u>Dedicate any amount of money or property for a specific purpose</u>

<u>Donate in the form of a charitable trust.</u>

Kelly Lake

We started using the pontoon boat again in May. The V.A. comes out every week since some of their other recreation events are still closed due to the virus.

Fishing Picnic at Kelly Lake June 12th

A family arrived early June 12th before the 9:00 official start of the fishing picnic and took home a bucket with 25 nice bluegills. When a big snapping turtle appeared from under the pier the fishing from shore slowed. Bluegills, bass and a crappie were caught from the pontoon boat. Boat captains Jim and Al cut the fillets for the fisherman to take home. Some people brought their own gear while others used the Adaptive Sportsmen rods & reels. Mary Mitchell and the Borgwardt crew prepared a great lunch with beef or ham sandwiches, hotdogs, chips salads and desert. Fourteen lucky winners took something home from the bucket raffle.

October Clintonville bow hunt THE HUNT IS ON

After not having a hunt last year I know that everyone is wondering and waiting to sign up and start packing for our October Clintonville bow hunt. We are now taking applications for our Clintonville bow hunt taking place in October from the 28th to the 31st this year. It has been a long time waiting as we did not have the hunt last year and now, we are getting ready for this year's hunt. The actual hunting will start on October 29th and go thru the 31st. All meals will start on Friday A.M. through Sunday A.M. The applications along with a \$25.00 per person to help with the food expense are now being sent out. If you would like to attend or have any questions, please contact me for the application (Please keep in mind that all first-time applicants will have 1st preference). This hunt fills up fast so be sure to let me know as soon as possible. Also, keep in mind that there are two hotels in the area that are handicap accessible if that is of interest to you and the club will help with the cost. Contact **Joe Ehr** at 920- 244-7737 or email at josephehr@yahool.com to sign up or to get more information.

Baraboo Turkey Hunt

After we set up on Friday the weather turned damp and windy for Saturday morning, less than ideal turkey hunting conditions but it improved as the day wore on. Sunday was warm and sunny with little wind for a good turkey hunting day that resulted in a shot but no birds in the bag. In addition to turkeys, a raccoon, a coyote and deer were observed. Here is more on the hunt from those participating.

Scott and I had a good hunt. We did not harvest a bird but saw plenty of hens and toms. One tom hung up at 70 yards for at least 10 minutes. We had multiple toms in the field at the same time all three days but could not close the deal. We saw two toms fighting and other toms chasing toms away from hens. We had not hunted together for three years so it was nice to catch up. Maybe next time we will close the deal. Thanks to Adaptive Sportsman and the sponsor SCI Badgerland for a great weekend and the camaraderie at the meals on Friday and Saturday night. By **Lloyd Soter**

My Turkey Hunt

Was able to harvest this 28lb Indiana Tom with an 11inch beard and 1 3/4 inch spurs at about 8:15am at the Eric Cory foundation turkey tracks hunt! See the picture on the next page By Weston Strasser

Adaptive Bowfishing Opportunity

I went last night with Modified Outdoors Bowfishing and had a great time. They are based out of Kewaskum, but operate on lakes/rivers from Green Bay to Milwaukee. They have 2 boats, 1 has a raised platform (the one I was on) and a flat platform boat. They modified the raised platform to include a pedal stool swivel seat and it worked great for me. Hunter and Jacob run the service and have said they will do anything within reason to accommodate any disabled individual. The seat they installed, they purchased the day before and installed just for our trip and an no extra cost. They do have a Facebook page and a website. Feel free to check them out and let them know you heard about it from me:)

P.S.- we will be going again next year. The family had a blast and we shot at LOTS of fish. Hopefully hit even more next time!

Steve Lang

Horicon 3D Shoot

With help from the Horicon Marsh Bowmen the shooters used track chairs from Wings Over Wisconsin and Access Ability Wisconsin as well as their gators to get around the course. It was well laid out with animals from North America and Africa. Hamburgers were available all day and we ate great steaks after the shoot. Mary had her famous bucket raffle that delighted the winners. High score belonged to **Chris Salome** at 202, **John Martinson** and **John Mitchell** were close behind at 199. Special thanks to **Rob Krantz** and his committee for a wonderful time at the event.

North Woods Adventure

The Northwoods Adventure was held this year May 20-23 at Pine Forest Lodge in Mercer. Many people remember this as the ATV ride, but it has evolved into a more varied event. We had four machines for the ATV part of the event. Terry Coltz (Chris Salome's Uncle), Troy Kurczek, Keith Pamperin, and I rode two donated machines and Neil Sass, and Pete Lepage brought their own machines. We rode for most of Friday in beautiful weather on the great trails up by Hurley. The rest of the group at Pine Forest had to deal with rain most of the day, but they had plenty of time to fish on the 350 acre Spider Lake (Chris Salome was out most of the day in the rain) and explore the hiking trails around the lodge. Steve Heiges and his girlfriend Karla Sikora spent Friday checking out the waterfalls in the Mercer area. It turns out that there are more than 12 waterfalls in the area that are just spectacular to see and worth the time to visit.

Saturday was a Lodge day, Neil, his wife Joy Patton, Pete Lepage with his son, Riley, spent time riding their atvs in the area around Pine Forest Lodge while the rest of the group relaxed before Kayaking on Spider Lake with the Kayaks that Pine Forest has to use. **Randy Johnson, Dora Johnson, Joe Ehr, and Sharon Ehr** were around to help with the atv and kayaking events and were a great help whenever needed. Saturday morning was also a nice time to visit the B-47 crash site in Mercer which was accessible by wheelchair, and the East Side view of Spring Camp Falls, which were only accessible to the AB members of the group. Saturday afternoon saw the weather clear up and half of the group went kayaking on the lake while the other half took a ride on the Pontoon Boat. A very nice weekend in the scenic splendor of the Wisconsin North Woods.

Participants included Ron (Doc) Wroblewski, Jean Wroblewski, and grandson AJ, Keith Pamperin, Steve Heiges and girlfriend Karla Sikora, Troy Kurczek, Chris Salamone and his uncle Terry Coltz Neil Sass, Joy Patton Bonnie Patton, Pete LePage, Riley Lepage, Doug Buretta, Joseph Ehr, Sharon Ehr, Randy Johnson, Dora Johnston By Al Neu

Fish & Wildlife Service Annual Conference

Adaptive Board Member Jeff Pagels recently spoke via Zoom to over 650 conference attendees regarding disabled accessibility to the outdoors. Jeff's presentation, "MOTHER NATURE DOES NOT HAVE TO COMPLY WITH ADA". His words detail how land resource managers and people with disabilities access and manage the great outdoors.

Jeff said the Outdoors can benefit everyone physically, mentally and socially. He also said the Outdoors is a place anyone can challenge themselves to go "higher up the hill or deeper into the woods." Land managers need to be cautious in attempting to make projects "accessible" to the point that the "challenge" is lost.

A simple way to understand this concept is that anything that is human developed such as a restroom, a dock or a trail has to be barrier free for users with disabilities, however the land manager owes no duty to diminish a steep trail grade or put safety rails on a boat launch pier. For example, steps on a hiking trail are un-acceptable because in this case the real barrier is man-made. The challenge here is getting up a steep portion of trail. Man-made steps would create additional barriers to a wheelchair user using the trail.

Jeff welcomes questions or comments on this subject and will provide answers in subsequent newsletters.

Jeff Pagels, 920-366-5731 "Always Climb Higher"



Cal Popp with the turkey he shot this spring (above) and a Walleye we caught last Fall (below)







A Horicon 3-D target takes a direct hit (above left), and John Martinson in a trak chair taking his shot in Horicon.



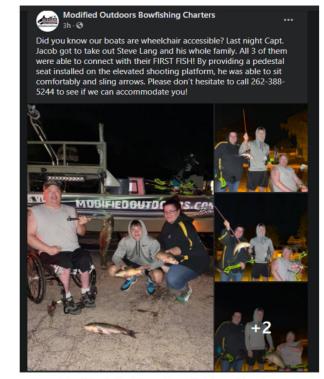


Scott Hansen poses with the buck he shot during the disabled deer hunt last Fall, and the turkey he shot this Spring



Weston Strasser poses with the turkey he shot this Spring (above)





Modified Outdoor Bowfishing Charter



Memorial plaques and display at the 1961 B-47 plane crash site north of Mercer. See article in newsletter for more information.



Part of the Northwoods Adventure group on the Pontoon Boat ready to take a slow tour of Spider Lake in Mercer



Neil Sass, and his wife Joy, riding the trails near Hurley during the Northwoods Adventure



Troy Kurczek and Terry Coltz riding the trails near Hurley. Note; this is the same puddle in the trail as the one Neil Sass just went through!



The Northwoods Adventure group ready to go kayaking on Spider Lake in Mercer. John Stratti is in front, Keith Pamperin above left and Allen Neu above right.



Steve Heige is ready to take a kayak ride on Spider Lake in Mercer



Chris Salome is fishing from the Pine Forest Pontoon boat on Spider Lake during the Northwoods Adventure