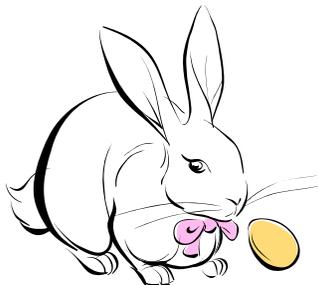


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AUBURN SPORTSMAN'S CLUB



50 Elm Street, Auburn, Ma



Calendar of Events

- 04/05/13 – ASC Meat Raffle
- 04/15/13 – Monthly ASC Meeting
- 05/18/13 – President's Game Supper

Archery– Ron Kazlauskas

Spring has arrived and the Auburn Knock Hunters are on the road again. Our first excursion will be to Marlboro on April 7th. We usually meet in the upper parking lot and carpool to the shoots. We always welcome new members to our merry band if you want to join us. New targets have been purchased to replace the 20 and 30 yard butts on the practice range. Look for an April work party to be posted on the patio. We are going to try to set up 14 field course targets to comply with the National Field Archery Association rules. This will be a lot of work and is only in the planning stages. If we can put it all together, it will add another archery game to the Club. That's all the news for now, shoot straight.

Trout – Glenn Standing

Just a reminder only 1 rod per angler. Only 2 fish per day and 6 fish per week. Police yourselves. We will be stocking May 12th at noon. The Canoe and Kayak raffle will be drawn at the derby on May 19th. Thanks and keep a tight line

Trap– Cheryl Baribeault

We continue to shoot on Sunday mornings at 11:00am, so come on down! Please remember that if you are using the trap range you must shoot steel shot and use biodegradable clays. The clays are available for sale at the lounge for \$11.00/case of 135. Please see the bartenders.

Trapping – Ron Kazlauskas

The Mass Trappers held their quarterly meeting at the Club on Sunday, March 17th. During the course of the meeting, we were inspected by 2 Environmental Police officers. To end rumors – no illegal activity led to their visit. They came to insure that all trappers were properly licensed, all furs were properly tagged, and all permits were in order. One individual received a verbal warning for having an expired permit. All trappers and furs were properly licensed and tagged. No citations or further warnings were issued.

Both EPOs spent time answering questions and clarifying the sometimes confusing trapping laws. One issue that came up was the selling of tanned and green fur, and selling mounts. It is illegal to sell any mount of a bird, mammal or fish in Massachusetts unless you have a taxidermy license!!! The only exceptions are hooves and shinbones of deer, as stated in the Abstracts. Contact the EPOs with any questions if you are unsure.

Kayak and Canoe Giveaway

These are the tickets for this year's Canoe & Kayak Giveaway. Please cut them out and mail them back to the Club with your donation as before. Make sure your name and phone number is on them! This years Canoe is a 14' Mad River Passage, the Kayak is a Fusion Trophy 126 fishing kayak. We need to support the Club so we can continue to stock the great trout that we are all getting hooked on. Same donation price: 6 for \$5.00 or 1 for \$1.00. Extra tickets are available at the Club in the lounge. Drawing will be at the Spring Derby 5-19-2013 Thanks! Glenn S.

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ASC Meat Raffle – April 5th – 7:00pm

All are welcome, so come on down and bring a friend for a night of fun.
Don't forget to go to www.auburnsportsmansclub.com for more Club info



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March 2013 Newsletter

Condolences go out to the family and friends of Terry Riley.

President's Message – Jim Nishan

The Worcester County League of Sportsmen's Clubs OP-ED piece regarding recent proposed gun laws is scheduled to be printed March 27th. If you miss the print issue, try online. It may help you organize your thoughts as to how to answer misguided individuals who feel the answer to evil in our society is to punish lawful sportspersons.

The league has decided to honor member Charlie Harris as its "Youth Mentor of The Year" for 2013. Charlie is the lead instructor for both our Basic Hunter Education and Bow Hunter teams. He is also active with the scouts, a certified archery coach and so much more. Above all he is a good and decent man dedicated to the principles this club is supposed to personify.

The Gun Owners Action League will be holding a rally in Boston April 3rd starting at the Parkman Bandstand on the Boston Common at noon. Worcester Pistol & Rifle has a bus scheduled. I don't know if they have space for non-members but the club contact is: Peter Saniuk. 508-873-3111 - psaniuk1@verizon.net

Anyone interested in staying up to date with gun issues should check GOAL.org on a regular basis.

As the members can see I have been busy with an active defense posture regarding recent challenges to our second amendment rights. I will do my best to keep the membership posted on events. We are trying to go electronic with the newsletter. I believe we could use that data base to alert members to important issues be it gun rights or attacks on our hunting and fishing privileges. Input on this idea is appreciated. We will push this large during renewals.

Finances remain a concern but individuals are stepping up with ideas.

MLB is in spring training for their upcoming season. We as sportspersons should consider beginning now to be ready for our seasons whether it is hunting or off trail fishing. You will be more successful for it. With Respect: Nish

President's Game Supper

This year's President's Game supper is May 18th, tickets are available at the Lounge for \$25.00

Jr. Conservation Camp - Brenda Reschke

The Board of Directors voted to sponsor Jake Kusy this year for the camp. Congratulations Jake and we hope you have a great experience. Please be sure to stop in when you get back to share your stories with the Board of Directors.

Meat Raffle – Ginny Lilley

Our next Meat Raffle will be held Friday, April 5th. The first drawing for our Big Tables will be at 7:00pm! Thank you to all our members and friends who help make this event a great success!

Worcester County League – Craig Cortis

I missed the deadline for last month's issue but I hope some of you saved that newsletter – Bill Borowski was kind enough to fill my space with a handy listing of various legislators and their contact information. The League's February meeting was held 2/15/13 at Southborough Rod and Gun in Hopkinton. Jim Wallace, Executive Director of GOAL, gave us a sobering rundown of many troublesome legislative proposals currently threatening us. One of the worst is the prospect of mandatory firearms liability insurance coverage put on gun owners here in Mass., which is just one of dozens of sections within a bill proposed by Rep. David Linksy of Framingham. Should this actually become law, costs could easily be absolutely prohibitive for many, if not most, gun owners – your own wallet could become a self-imposed means by which to disarm you. Insurance companies might not even want to provide such coverage at all; if some did, they'd most likely demand that you admit their company agents into your homes for inspections of gun-related conditions applying to your household. (How are your weapons stored? Exactly which kinds of guns do you own – some types won't be covered by the company. Are there any minor children in your home? Anyone with a history of treatment for depression or other mental health issues? Do you currently have any person diagnosed as having Alzheimer's or dementia residing in your home?) I'm sure you get the idea. Limited space here doesn't allow me to list the numerous bills and bill proposals now presented by a host of legislators on Beacon Hill; check GOAL.org for certain information and updates. It is conceivable that at least some of the scariest, most oppressive proposals we've become aware of could be voted into law. There are only two ways by which to have any chance at stopping some of this from happening: 1.) A sufficiently large number of state legislators need to oppose such measures, obviously. 2.) Since not every legislator who might end up opposing these things will arrive at that conclusion through personal opinions alone, we have to step up and try to influence whoever represents us – state reps. and state senators, congressman, U.S. senators – by calling their offices to politely express our concerns. Phone calls count far more than form letters; e-mails are at the bottom of the list. Many of these folks actually do care about an opinion expressed by someone who takes a moment to call – they'd like to be reelected after all. Just be brief and to the point, know what you want to say by getting informed on specifics before you call, and please be polite throughout. If it's a matter involving Mass. legislation alone, call your state legislators. If you're concerned about federal legislation, call your congressman and U.S. senators. Yes, I know what many people think – they won't listen to me, so why bother since they've already made up their minds? In some cases they may not have yet, but if you think it's hopeless, just sit back, do nothing at all and become a spectator to all of what's unfolding before us regarding gun ownership and shooting rights issues. These things are not going to just go away. You've heard of developments in New York, Colorado and elsewhere. If you'd like to do something about this, get informed and call these people who represent you, because if enough of us make that minor effort, perhaps we can play a part together in turning some of the tide running against us.

I'll report on the march meeting of the W.C.L. which was held 3/15/13 at the Nimrod League of Holden in Princeton, in next month's issue. Next W.C.L meeting is 4/19/13 at Leicester Rod and Gun, 7:30 p.m. Again, your phone calls count! A number of legislators have expressed this to me down through the years.