



Auburn Sportsman's Club
50 Elm St.
Auburn, MA 01501



2014 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

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It's that time! Please fill out and return this form with your dues. CHECKS ONLY payable to "Auburn Sportsman's Club". Kids are up to age 11, Juniors are ages 12 to 17, Retired members are 65+ and a member for 5 years. Payment is due by Oct 1st, or a \$25 late fee will be applied. Please renew early - not only does it save you a late fee, but hunting seasons start opening in September/October!!

Trapping – Ron Kazlauskas, Regional Director National Trappers Assoc.

The Mass Trappers will be holding their fall outing at the Club on Sunday, September 15th. Our meeting starts at 10:00am and is open to anyone interested in attending, however only MTA members can speak and vote. All other activities are open to the public at no cost. There will be demonstrations on trap setting, ladies frying pan toss, trap speed setting contest, as well as a silent and live auction and a bucket raffle. We will also be having a pig roast starting at 1:00pm. Cost is \$15.00 for MTA members and \$18.00 for others. Tickets are first come, first served and are limited to 60 people. Purchase meal tickets on the day of the outing. If you ever wondered what being a trapper is really about, come down for a fun filled day.

Archery – Ron Kazlauskas

Well, the 2013 Safari 3D League Championship is now history and I am happy to say that 2 Knock Hunters won medals. Jeff Haines won Bronze in Men's Bowhunter and Ginny Lilly took Silver for Women's Bowhunter. There were 57 archers and only 1 arrow hit the pond. September 14th will be our Bow, Knife, Hawk Shoot. This is a fun 15 target shoot set-up for traditional archers. Compound shooters are welcome but will not be eligible for prizes. Cost is \$5.00 with registration at the trap house from 7:00am – 10:00am. October 5th we will be holding a whitetail deer shoot. 15 deer targets in hunting conditions. The shoot will be for compound, traditional and crossbow. Registration is from 7:00am – 10:00am at the trap house. Cost is \$5.00 to shoot. That's all for now, shoot straight.

Cribbage – Bill Conway

There will be a Cribbage meeting held on October 8th at 6:30pm. Any questions, please call Bill Conway at 774.272.5832

Trout – Glenn Standing

We had the Hornpout derby July 27th and there were 25 or so members and friends enjoying a great night of fishing. About 25 fish were caught and the winner was Joey with 3 hornpout. Not bad for a 6 year old. We will be stocking the pond on the 6th of October at noon - come on down and see some nice fish go in the pond. As always, bring the kids. The pond will be closed after stocking till the 12th of October when we will be having the Fly Fishing Derby. Sign-ups start at 6:30am, and the derby will begin at 7:00am till 11:00am. The pond will be closed again till the 20th of October for the regular Catch and Release Derby. Sign-ups start at 6:30am and the derby starts at 7:00am till 11:00am. Spinners, lures, and fly fishing allowed (no power bait or live bait). Thanks and keep a tight line

Special Events - Family Day – Karen Donovan

Well, we couldn't have asked for better weather and we all enjoyed another ASC FAMILY DAY CHICKEN BBQ. Thanks go out to my "pit" crew (Perry, Ski and Ollie), the "merry maids" (Joan, Ginny, Cheryl, Carla and Bob) who made the salads, made the meals and made the kitchen sparkle afterwards, the "grillmasters" (Jon, Brian and Bruce) who kept the burgers and dogs coming all afternoon. A special thanks to Stoneholder and his friends, Little Winona and Lee Burlingame, who brought us a little native American culture and showed us the arts of beading and making corn husk dolls. Thanks also to Blackpowder men (Art and Steve) who gave all of us the opportunity to "live on the wild side" and throw knives and "hawks". Thanks to Brett and his band for providing the musical entertainment. As usual, the JOHN HAMILTON slip'n'slide was a great success with kids and grown-ups alike (thanks Nikki for keeping the suds going). We had two raffles, the 50-50 (thanks Dave and Robin for selling tickets) \$144 was won by Art Lessard and the "1 bourbon, 1 scotch & 1 beer" was won by Mrs. Krum (who knew?). A special thank you to my sister, Denise, who along with Mrs. Krum, enjoyed tattooing the kids and even some of the adults. Thanks go out to Gary Pray, our resident photographer, who is always at the right place at the right time. A huge thanks to Glen Standing for running the canoe/kayak annual race. After an extremely slow start, the races went on for hours. Congrats go out to young Brooklyn Palermo who took first place. Last, but not least, I would like to thank ALL OF YOU who came to enjoy the day with family and friends. If not for you, this event would not have been the success it was. THANK YOU! And come again.

Calendar of Events

- 09/01/13 – Start your membership renewal process now!
- 09/14/13 – Bow, Knife, Hawk Shoot
- 09/15/13 – Mass Trapper Fall Outing at the ASC
- 09/16/13 – ASC Monthly Meeting – Nominations Meeting



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September 2013 Newsletter

President's Message – Jim Nishan

Cheryl's husband Tim has been having a rough time of it lately and has been in the hospital going on two weeks. Remember them both in your prayers. Things are busy around the club. The birds are huge this year. I asked Bill to make them too fat to fly so I could hunt them with the bow. He must have taken me seriously. Mike is up there every day feeding and watering them. Good job to all involved. Just as a reminder the electric fence is live.

A member ranted at the last meeting about the liability waivers and said he was told anyone who does not sign one will be thrown out of the club. Again, a case of someone running off their mouths with no basis in fact. The waivers are required if we plan on continuing to have insurance. The subject of liability and the need to protect sportsman's clubs from liability suits have been the top priority at the last two annual Gun Owners Action League club seminars. Most clubs don't have a lot of money. They do have land and that is what the deep pocket types will go after given a chance. There has been no discussion about throwing members out of the club. Please stop listening to the baseless rumor mongers.

Ron K., the archery chair, suggested saving time at the meetings by having the previous meeting minutes printed and voted to accept as printed rather than reading them. Seems like a good idea to me. I have been doing the same thing with the Worcester County League for about a year with good success. It should knock close to 15 minutes off our meetings. Thanks Ron.

Next month is nomination month at the meeting followed in October by the annual elections. If you want to serve on the board, be at the meeting. Hunting season is approaching quickly, please be careful. Submitted with respect: Nish

Proposed Addition to A.S.C. Bylaws – Craig Cortis

*The results of any vote made on any specific motion at a monthly club members' meeting shall be considered inviolate and **not** subject to further reconsideration, deliberation, revision, alteration, amendments, or subject to being rescinded or revoked on for a period of not less than **10 consecutive monthly club meetings** from the date of the meeting at which a vote is taken. (Example: A vote taken during the January meeting could not be taken up again until the November meeting of the same year.) In the event of cancellation of, or lack of a quorum at, a monthly meeting, that month would **not** be included as part of the minimum 10-month time period. Therefore, results of a vote, yea or nay, will **stand** and remain in effect, unchanged and not to be revoked, repealed, or discussed at club meetings during the minimum time period described above.*

The above bylaw additional is a proposal which will be discussed at the September meeting. At that time, pending approval by means of a motion to vote on this bylaw being adopted, a vote to approve may take place. Should this new bylaw be voted in, it would be inserted at the end of Article 7 and numbered as Section 7 of Article 7, which deals with club meetings.

Bar/Trap – Cheryl Baribeault

Thanks to my committee members for all the coverage during Tim's illness. He is home and getting better every day. Everyone's kind thoughts were appreciated. Nancy, LeeAnn and Mike really stepped up to help with coverage at the bar. The bar has been very profitable and I know it will remain so. Trap has been super busy and Jon and Bruce have really stepped up there to cover while I was unavailable. I want to thank everyone on my committees and especially Tim for being beside me all the way. I am confident that both trap and bar will remain successful after I step down as chairman. I will be nominating my recommendations for my replacements at the next meeting.

Judo – Gary Pray

As mentioned during the August meeting, judo is becoming more colorful. In other words, congratulations go out to Ron, Cheryl and Liz for their recent promotions. In addition to that we are now forming a "Kid's Only" program. It will likely be an hour-long class scheduled before our regular evening workout. Contact Gary or Jeff for more information.

Trustees Corner – Brenda Reschke

We want to acknowledge the efforts of several individuals that have stepped up in the club's efforts to cut costs and spending. Some examples where we have made some cost savings: buying pheasant feed from a different vendor, strategic pond stocking, buying our own rugs and towels versus having the more expensive laundering services, and scrutinizing service contracts that have been in place for years. A special thanks to John Fullen for your assistance with our heating and air-conditioning repairs. The longevity of our club depends on all members making efforts to curb discretionary spending, please continue to think of ideas to reduce our expenditures.... We are 800 members strong, we can do this together!!
As our fiscal year wraps up at the end of September, please ensure that you are looking to close out ALL your outstanding appropriations.

Nominating – Brenda Reschke

At the monthly meeting, September 16th, we will hold nominations. If you are interested in a position, please review our By-Laws to ensure you are eligible to fill that position and please notify me prior to the September meeting. If you are seeking to be nominated, you must be in attendance at the meeting or if you are unable to attend, you must make nomination arrangements with me prior to the meeting. All nominees will be required to have their membership fees paid prior to the ballot being published, so renew early. Elections will be held on Monday, October 21st, polls will open at 9:00am and close at 6:30 pm. You will be required to present your current 2013-14 membership card to obtain a ballot. Absentee ballots will be available in the Lounge beginning Monday October 7th. You will be required to present your membership card to the bartender and sign the ballot book.

We need YOU -- We have openings in: Bar Manager, Trap Chairman, House Chairman, Kitchen Chairman, Newsletter Chairman and Director at Large positions.