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AUBURN SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

50 Elm Street, Auburn, Ma



Upcoming Events

- 02/02/14 – Pond Stocking – (Noon)
- 02/02/14 – Super Bowl Potluck – (starts at 3pm – bring a dish)
- 02/07/14 – February Meat Raffle (first drawing at 7pm)
- 02/08/14 – Krom Benefit Event – (2pm – call clubhouse for details)
- 02/09/14 – Bill Bjork Ice Fishing Derby (7am – 12pm, 6am Registration) and Chowder Cook-off
- 02/17/14 – Monthly ASC Meeting (7pm – all members welcome)
- 02/23/14 – 1st Annual Jerk(y)-Off – (2pm – 4pm)
- 03/07/14 – March Meat Raffle (first drawing at 7pm)



Rifle and Pistol – Jon Owens

Range hours are Monday – Saturday 8am to sunset and Sunday 1pm to sunset. Please be sure to have your member pin in a visible location and your signed member card on your personage when using any of the ranges.

The ranges are NOT dumping grounds. Your trash leaves with you. Action will be taken against violators.

Trap – Bruce Bent

Wow! What A busy month. The New Years Day Shoot seemed to be quite a success. Even with single digit temps, we had 28 shooters. It was great to see some of the long time club members there who usually aren't shooting at targets that move. You Knockers know who I mean. We had 5 different competitions, a warming fire, and a lot of fun and prizes. The competitions and winners are as follows: From the 25 - Ron Jr., Opposite hand - Jr. again, Field Stance - Brian S., Step Back - Angie L who by the way was the only shooter to hit 5 of anything in a row! Protection Shoot (Doubles) - Cheryl B. and Dave M. A good time indeed. This was a great way for new and long standing members to come together and have stories to share in the years ahead. I have heard some good feedback from this event. Let me say this. None of this could have been possible without the help of my committee members and everyone else that jumped in with both feet to insure the success of this event.

Now for the good news - bad news part of the show. Good news - Pullman Arms has contacted us offering a great deal on Winchester ammo. The B.O.D. has approved the deal so we will be shooting the Winchester ammo again without a price increase. Bad news - We have 23 cases of Kent that we must get through first. That being said, I would recommend an accelerated cleaning schedule. Shoot often and be safe.

Trout – Glenn Standing

These are the tickets for this years annual Trout Fundraiser. 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 1st Prize is an Old Town Vapor Angler Kayak with rod holders and an anchor system. The 2nd prize is a \$300.00 American Express Gift Card good at any Dick's, Cabellas or Bass Pro. I hope everyone supports this Fundraiser so we can continue to stock the great trout that we are all getting hooked on. Same price as always 6 for \$5.00 or 1 for \$1.00. Extra tickets will be available at the club in the lounge. Drawing will be at the Spring Derby. The kayak will be at the Bill Bjork Ice Fishing Derby on Feb. 9th. Sign-ups start at 6am, Derby runs from 7am-12pm. Stocking the pond will be on Feb 2nd at Noon. Come on down and bring the kids, have some fun and help out. Thanks and keep a tight line! Glenn S.

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1st Annual Jerk(y)-Off: Mix up your best batch of jerky and bring it to the club on Sunday 02/23/2014. Judging will be 2pm – 4pm by your peers. Sign-up sheet at ASC clubhouse bar.

Save the Date: March 15th – Corned Beef Dinner
April 5th and April 6th – 3rd Annual Jack Poissant Pool Tournament



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February 2014 Newsletter

President's Message – Jim Nishan

By the time this reaches the membership I hope the present cold conditions have eased and warming trends are the norm. The young judo players attended a recent Shiai (competition). They did well and the Judo Chair person should be reporting in detail. During the next meat raffle two lobsters will be raffled off separate from the normal tables. Any and all funds raised will go to the fund set up for members who recently had a fire at their homes. Please be generous.

Because May will be so busy this year the Game Dinner will be moved to June most likely on Father's Day weekend. Again we can use any game donations the successful members feel they can make. To be honest I have quite a bit of venison in my own freezers and will donate however much I need to. WE need some variety meats in particular for the chili and stew portions. My ideas for this year is an extended cocktail-hour from 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM during which time deep fried turkey and French fries will be served on the porch. We might even throw in some form of appetizers if I can figure out the logistics. Part of the menu inside will include a thick venison chili over a corn bread base. There will also be a rich game stew consisting of venison and an assortment of any small game portions we may receive. The archery chairman donated some chukar which might make the pot. Things are still in the planning stage so subject to changes but that is where it stands right now. Some of us are heading to New Brunswick for spring bear. With any luck we'll have some good bear meat to work with. If not the little I have from my fall bear will be in the stew pot.

Tickets to the Game Dinner would make unique and enjoyable gifts for Father's Day. They will be available in about a month.

The club has a lot to offer its members but we could have more if more members stepped up to help. Many if not most of us want this to be a family oriented place where women and children feel welcome and can enjoy the traditional goings on of the outdoors centered lifestyle.

Actions that detract from this cannot be tolerated. We all make mistakes in life but repeated drunken antisocial actions and or drug activities can only be prevented by those who have the best interest, welfare and good reputation of the club at heart to speak up.

With respect and good hopes for the future: Nish

Judo – Gary Prey

First I would like to congratulate Marek Lech, a recognized Poland national judo champion, for his guidance and dedication to the kid's judo program. On January 12th I had the pleasure of joining Marek as he escorted seven of our juniors to the Tohoku Shiai (competition) in Somerville, MA. It was a well attended event even by Tohoku's admission. For many of our kids this was a first time event, but, even so, they performed spectacularly. Congratulations to our division winners: Max Siwik (First Place), Szymon Burny (Second Place), Tommy Burny (Third Place), Oscar Wyspianski (Third Place), Alex Siwik (Third Place), and Alexandria (Ola) Lech (Third Place) for making her father proud. I hope everyone will take a minute to congratulate them all. (Go to the ASC site for pics: <http://www.auburnsportsmansclub.com/gallery.html>)

Meat Raffle – Ginny Lilley

The March meat raffle event will be held March 7th. The first drawing for our Big Tables will be at 7:00pm! Early Bird tickets will be available 6:00pm – 6:30pm. Don't forget about February's event on February 7th. Be there!

Native American Community – Stone Holder

Kwai kwai nid8ba (greetings friends)

We would like to introduce our new committee member, Craig Standing Bear. Craig is a respected elder who will help to promote the Native culture and the ASC. Natoa –ijia (welcome my brother).

– Sen Bomasda (Stone Holder)

Worcester County League – Craig Cortis

The January meeting was held 1/17/14 at Singletary Rod & Gun in Oxford. Guest speaker Herb Bergquist from the Committee for Responsible Wildlife Management gave a report on the status of Mass. House Bill HB.750, "An Act Conserving Our Natural Resources". This bill is currently tabled in the House Committee on Natural Resources and probably won't be acted on until summer. If passed, the issuance of beaver trapping permits would become a function of Mass. Fisheries and Wildlife, rather than local boards of health. An interesting opinion offered by delegate Ralph True from Uxbridge is that, supposedly, some trappers would prefer that HB.750 does not pass; various reasons might explain this surprisingly contrary mindset. (Keep in mind that it was Mr. True who mentioned his own contacts with certain trappers; I'm not presuming to write this in a manner suggesting any official inside knowledge of the opinions held by Mass. Trappers or their members.) Most of what we hear in the W.C.L. from fellow outdoors people seems to indicate a general, very strong approval of measures like HB.750 when the subject of nuisance animal control comes up. Just for the record, Ralph True is a respected and very well-liked regional outdoors writer of many years' experience.

By the way, those who are in the habit of personally trapping shiners for live bait fishing and selling such small fish will now be prohibited from doing so, based on new regulations approved by the 7-person Mass. Fisheries and Wildlife Board. You can check-out full details on these baitfish regulations by going online or reading recent bulletins issued by F&W; limited space here doesn't allow me to explain the whole story. If you'd like to volunteer at the W.C.L. kids' archery range we'll run at the February 6 – 9 outdoors show at the D.C.U. Center in Worcester, call Dave Papale without delay at 508-414-2863 for scheduling information.

Next W.C.L. meeting is 2/21/14 at Maspennock Rod & Gun, Milford, 7:30 p.m.

Newsletter – Liz Obringer

*Corrections to the Jan. 2014 edition of the ASC newsletter:

- The new email address for the ASC newsletter was incorrectly spelled. The correct ASC newsletter email address is newsletter@auburnsportsmansclub.com. Please update your e-mail contact list and/or spam (junk e-mail) filters accordingly.

My thanks to Craig Cortis for pointing this out. Member feedback and suggestions are always welcome.

- Native Community: "Two Nations diner dance" should have been "Two Nations dinner dance". My apologies to Stoneholder

*A project to improve electronic communications (event notifications/reminder emails, range closures, newsletter, etc..) is under way

If you wish to receive these emails, please send your name, member # and preferred email address to the ASC Newsletter. To help cut back on postage expenses, please indicate if you agree to receiving the ASC newsletter by email only.

February Range Closures

No scheduled range closures for February as of the publishing of the February 2014 newsletter.