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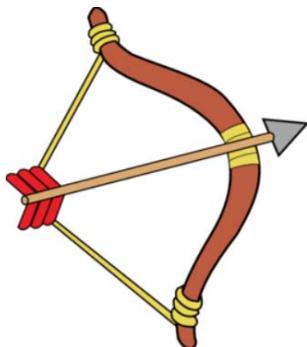
AUBURN SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

50 Elm Street, Auburn, Ma



Upcoming August Events

- 08/03/14 – Archery 3-D Safari Championship
- 08/05/14 – August Pin Shoot: Practice
- 08/09/14 – August Pin Shoot: Actual
- 08/10/14 – 2015 ASC Membership Instant Renewal Day
- 08/17/14 – Hunter's Ed: Basic Bow
- 08/18/14 – Monthly ASC Meeting (7pm – all members welcome)
- 08/19/14 – Hunter's Ed: Basic Hunter Ed. Session 1 of 4
- 08/21/14 – Hunter's Ed: Basic Hunter Ed. Session 2 of 4
- 08/23/14 – Hunter's Ed: Basic Hunter Ed. Session 3 of 4
- 08/24/14 – Women On Target shooting clinic
- 08/25/14 – Hunter's Ed: Basic Hunter Ed. Session 4 of 4



Trapshooting –

Bruce Bent

Another fairly quiet month. Tuesdays started out with a bang and has kinda dropped off. So what happened to everyone who asked all winter when we were gonna start shooting on Tuesdays? "Women in the Outdoors" was quite an event. We had about 17 or so women shooting 25 rounds. Many said they will back. Seeing their faces after hitting a few in a row made it all worth it. Well that's all I've got for this month. Come on down and break a few. Sundays at 11:00am and Tuesday nights at 6:00pm. Shoot often and shoot safe.

Rifle/Pistol – *Jon Owens*

Have your pin visible when on the ranges and your membership card available if asked to show it. Paper targets only. No ground targets permitted. Retrieve all targets when done, Trash barrels are available. **Range Hours:** Monday – Saturday 8am – sunset, Sunday 1pm to sunset. You have a ½ hour after sunset for clean up.

August Range/Pond Closures

- **08/03:** Trap, Rifle and Pistol ranges – closed for special event
- **08/24:** Trap, Rifle and Pistol ranges – closed for special event

Hunter's Education

August 2014 courses @ the ASC:

- Basic Hunter's Education course: 08/19, 08/21, 08/23, 08/25. Must be present for all sessions.
- Basic Bow Education course: 08/17.

Visit the Massachusetts Energy and Environmental Affairs website for registration and additional information. (<http://www.mass.gov/eea/>)

Passing: Arthur E. Graves, Jr. Calling hours will be Saturday, August 2, 2014 @ 10 am at Graham Putnam & Mahoney in Worcester.

Remaining 2014 Handgun Pin Shoot Dates

| Practice Shoot | Pin Shoot |
|---|------------------|
| Aug 5 5:30p | Aug 9 9a to 1p |
| FINAL SHOOT OFF | |
| Sept 16 5:30p | Sept 20 9a to 1p |
| Note: First round off at 9:00am sharp; for all shots. Sign up at 8:30am. Ear and eye protection required. | |

We will be having one more instant renewal day at the ASC on Sunday 08/10/2014 (12pm to 3pm). Renewing members will be issued the 2015 cards and pins that day. Please fill out and return this form with your dues. ~~~~~ CHECKS ONLY. ~~~~~ Please make 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. This form can also be used for mail-in renewals. If unable to attend the August instant renewal event, please remit payment and form to the ASC no later than Oct 1st by mail or in person. Renewals received after the Oct 1st cut-off will be subject to a \$25 late fee.

ASC 2015 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

| | | | | (circle one per name) | | | |
|---------|----------------|----------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| NAME 1: | Date of Birth: | CARD No. | Adult \$95.00 | Jr. \$15.00 | Kid \$10.00 | Retired N/A | |
| NAME 2: | Date of Birth: | CARD No. | \$95.00 | \$15.00 | \$10.00 | N/A | |
| NAME 3: | Date of Birth: | CARD No. | \$95.00 | \$15.00 | \$10.00 | N/A | |
| NAME 4: | Date of Birth: | CARD No. | \$95.00 | \$15.00 | \$10.00 | N/A | |

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August 2014 Newsletter

****President's Message**** – Jim Nishan

The club has been busy lately. The game dinner was enjoyed by all who bought tickets. The lobster feast and the fund raiser the next weekend both poured a good amount of revenue into the bar's cash registers. This past weekend's National Wild Turkey Federations Women in The Outdoors brought 107 ladies down to sample the many activities offered. The kitchen put out 165 meals on Saturday afternoon. I appreciate the support of those who showed up and worked their back sides off in the kitchen as well as making all the classes successful. The pheasants are in, you are welcome to bring the kids and check on them but try not to get them too worked up. We will be offering basic hunter education and bow classes in August. Go to the state fish & wildlife website to register.

I am requesting the newsletter chair provide me with a list of emails provided by members. My plan is to begin an alert system to members about issues that may be important to them in a manner more timely than a monthly newsletter. Critical issues facing the members at this time include the gun bill now in conference working out the difference between the house and senate versions, Sunday bow hunting, making pepper spray available to all citizens without an FID. It may take a while to work out some kinks but in the long run I believe it will serve the best interests of our members. I know there are some out there who will want copies of the list to promote their own "critical" issues but I believe this will not work unless strictly controlled. Therefore the answer is no, all alerts will be done through myself, or in my absence the newsletter chairperson and or a trustee to be designated.

I put some arrows down range this AM. It is time to prepare for the fall seasons folks. Please be safe on all the ranges.

With Respect: Nish

****Worcester County League**** – Craig Cortis

The League does not meet in July and August. Our next scheduled meeting will be Sept. 19 at Otter River Sportsmen's Club in Templeton. I'm writing this on July 23 and most of you will not read this until sometime during the first week of August, a fact that pretty much negates the timeliness of any legislative updates I could cover now. Many of you are aware of the important gun bill which I mentioned in last month's newsletter. Due to a torrent of constituent calls to legislators and grass-roots organized opposition to the bill, along with concerned response to our opinions by good people representing us on both sides of the aisle on Beacon Hill, most of the harmful sections were stricken from the legislation and the Mass. Senate final version, S.2265, went to a joint House / Senate conference committee as a bill GOAL sincerely believes is the best possible outcome for safeguarding our rights. The bill may have been renumbered by now and final action on it might be a moot point by the time you read this, but you should still try to keep current on this by going to GOAL.org online to find out if continued efforts on our parts to influence legislators is warranted. There is, however, a chance that this bill will have either been killed or finalized for action by the governor as of early August.

Regardless of how this plays out, we all owe thanks to the representatives and senators who stood with us since day one in opposition to what could have become yet another nightmare for shooters, hunters and gun owners here in Massachusetts. Senator Mike Moore of Millbury, who is a good member of this club, was instrumental in helping to weed-out many bad sections of the bill after it was doubled in size and number of attachments upon being taken up by the senate following passage in the House of Representatives. Mike was helped in his efforts by Senators Steve Brewer of Barre, Richard Moore of Uxbridge, Bruce Tarr and others from both of the major parties. GOAL Executive Director Jim Wallace and his staff and fellow officers played a huge part in organizing citizen opposition to the bill and working with legislators to keep it within boundaries of a form which would hurt us the least in its final version. All of you who cared enough to express your opinions to your legislators should take some pride in the knowledge that you had enough gumption to let such people know how much you care about these proposals to limit our liberties and further restrict what we wish to lawfully do, and I thank you for not sitting by on the sidelines. The Mass. Council and its spirited members and officers played an influential role, as well. Other groups and second amendment organizations, not to mention the N.R.A., had a hand in opposing the bill. The several state County Leagues, including our own Worcester County League of Sportsmen's Clubs, were involved in getting the word out and inspiring citizens to contact those who represent them. I could mention many other details regarding S.2265 but space here won't permit it, so please keep yourselves informed. I will resume being this club's delegate to the Worcester County League in September.

2014 ASC Family Day

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2014
12 P.M - 5 P.M.

Chicken Dinner ticket with every \$10 donation. Available at the ASC clubhouse.
(1/2 CHICKEN, CORN ON THE COB, BAKED POTATO AND SALAD)

HAMBURGERS & HOTDOGS
will be available for sale (no prior purchase necessary)

MUSIC, GAMES, RAFFLES

AND

**FUN WITH FAMILY
& FRIENDS**



Women on Target

A reminder that Gun Owner's Action League and the Auburn Sportsman's Club will be presenting a women's only instructional shooting clinic on Sunday 08/24 at the ASC. Hands on instruction in shotgun, rifle and pistol. No previous experience necessary. For those interested in applying for a Massachusetts firearm license, there will be a lecture on state and federal gun law.

All equipment, student texts, lunch and refreshments are included. Event fee is \$55 per person and limited to 30 people. No refunds. Must be at least 16 years old to participate. Contact Angela @ Gun Owner's Action League (508-393-5333) to register.

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