



# AUBURN SPORTSMAN'S CLUB



50 Elm Street, Auburn, Ma 01501

## December Upcoming Events

- 12/06/14 – December Meat Raffle – first drawing at 7pm
- 12/07/14 – Annual Toys for Tots 3D Archery Shoot (7am – 11am)
- 12/13/14 – Children's Christmas Party (12:30pm – 2:30pm)
- 12/16/14 – Monthly ASC Meeting (7pm)
- 12/20/14 – Adult Christmas Party (6:30pm – 11:30pm)
- 12/25/14 – Christmas Day: Clubhouse closed
- 01/01/15 – Annual New Year's Day trap shoot (11am start)
- 01/03/15 – January Meat Raffle – first drawing at 7pm



**\*\*Trapshooting\*\***  
– Bruce Bent

First, Thanks to Liz for holding out for the results of the Turkey Shoot. Billy Bird took home the winning basket after a shoot out with Jon Owens and Angie L. (I'm not even going to attempt your last name Angie. Sorry) It took 22 rounds to determine the winner. After all was said and done, Billy took the prize. Thanks to all those who participated.

The sweatshirts are in. If you don't have yours already, they are at the bar. Please see the bartender for yours.

The ammo situation has not gotten any better. We have enough for a little bit but if you are out and about and are planning on shooting you may want to get a couple of boxes of #7 steel for yourself. We are working to remedy the situation but any help would be appreciated. The word is out to our distributors so I'm confident we will be back on track soon.

So, after all that, as always, shoot often, shoot safe

**\*\*Bird/Game\*\*** – Bill Girardin

A big thank you to Bruce Costello for helping out with the birds. Great job!

**Christmas at the ASC**

The kid's Christmas party will be held in the ASC hall 12:30pm – 2:30pm on Saturday Dec 13<sup>th</sup>. Food, Fun, Games and visit from Santa. ~ A \$10 wrapped and tagged gift should be brought for each child attending.

The adult Christmas party will be held 6:30pm-11pm Saturday Dec 20<sup>th</sup> in the ASC lounge. Potluck (bring your fav dish), Yankee Swap (\$10 limit), music and dancing.

To allow for proper planning, please register for the events at the ASC bar.

**Meat Raffle**

The next monthly ASC meat raffle will be Friday Dec 5<sup>th</sup>. Early Bird tickets available @ 6:00pm. Raffle begins 7pm. Open to the public. Support your club!

**December Range/Pond Closures**  
*12/07: Trap, Rifle and Pistol ranges – closed full day archery event*

**Firearms Training**

Upcoming Basic Firearm Safety Classes:

1. Massachusetts Approved Licensed to Carry Firearms Certification Class (LTC or FID) non-live fire 4 hour course or live fire 8 hour course
2. Utah Non-Resident Permit Class (30+ state) LTC non-live fire 4 hour course
3. Non-Resident LTC for Maine, Connecticut and Florida (in one class)

For details on classes and to pre-register contact Greg at cell 508-612-6071 or email gcofsky@americanarmaments.us

**\*\*Archery\*\*** – Ron Kazlauskas

The Moose has arrived!! It will be making its debut on December 7 at the Toys for Tots shoot. Come down and check it out. Set-up for the shoot will be on Saturday Dec 6<sup>th</sup> at 11am. Meet at the trap field if you can help. Be sure to wear some orange as deer season will be open.

The indoor league will be held again this season starting in January. More details next month.

That's all for now. Shoot straight.

**\*\*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. A web site called Sunrise Sunset offers free downloadable calendars with times. A mobile app is available as well from the site. Be sure to use Auburn MA for the location. ( www.sunrisesunset.com )

**ASC Lounge Hours**

Monday	1pm – 8pm*	Tuesday	1pm – 9pm*	Wednesday	1pm – 9pm*
Thursday	1pm – 9pm*	Friday	12pm – 10pm*	Saturday	12pm – 10pm*
		Sunday	12pm – 8pm*		

\* Club rules apply after

## Holiday Food Drive

Sunday Dec 14<sup>th</sup> 12p to 6pm

Non-perishable food items and toiletries only, please. No handmade goods, baby food/formula or glass containers.

Suggested food items:

- Canned vegetables
- Tomato sauce
- Dried fruit
- All types of pasta
- Canned tuna fish
- Canned baked beans
- Canned beef stew
- Evaporated milk
- Vegetable juice
- Spaghetti sauce
- Shelf-stable fruit cup
- Low sugar / high fiber cereal
- Canned salmon
- Dried and canned beans and peas
- Peanut butter
- Boxed shelf-stable milk
- Diced tomatoes
- Canned fruit (in its own juice)
- Oatmeal
- Canned chicken
- Nuts
- Tomato juice
- Fruit juice (100%)
- Whole grain crackers
- Whole grain rice
- Canned bean soup
- Canned chili
- Dry milk



Suggested toiletry items:

- Deodorant (any)
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Toothbrushes (all ages)
- Bar Soap
- Body Wash



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December 2014 Newsletter

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

I'd like to thank everyone that voted in the club elections as well as the recent state wide elections. There is power in each vote only when it is cast. Each one uncast weakens our future as sportsmen/women. Things have been slow in my hunting world. So far I've only put one in the freezer. I shake my head sadly and tell anyone who asks the story about sitting six hours in the cold without seeing a deer and how as I lowered my bow to go for lunch an eight point stepped out at under 20 yards apparently amused to watch me. Having said that I formally put the request for donations for next year's game dinner (Last Saturday in April) out. Every little bit helps support the club. Any game is appreciated. I hope all have good holidays and successful hunts. I will be on a bow hunt in South Carolina in December. Brenda will be running the monthly meeting and if she would like to put a few words together here. With Respect: Nish

**\*\*Worcester County League\*\***

– Craig Cortis

The November meeting was held 11/21/14 here at Auburn Sportsman's. We thank Jim Nishan, Nancy Krom, Ginny Lilly and Brian Strong for putting on a great dinner for delegates and guests. I also want to thank A.S.C. for the club's generosity in hosting the Worcester County League; the courtesy extended is not taken lightly. Mass. Fisheries and Wildlife (F&W) is looking forward to a good relationship with the incoming Baker Administration. Guests from F&W included Bill Davis, Central District Manager, and Astrid Huseby, who spoke about the Youth Pheasant and Youth Turkey Hunting Programs supported by F&W at participating clubs conducting these special hunts across the state. The turkey hunt has been developed through a partnership with the National Wild Turkey Federation. Tim Gibbons, a member of NORCO Sportsmen's Club in Princeton, is associated with the federation. Tim and Keith Fritze joined Astrid Huseby in her presentation on the youth hunts. Keith is a colleague of Tim in the Turkey Federation and is a co-owner of Archery Plus on rte. #31 in Spencer. Bill Davis mentioned that, as of 2014, over 200,000 acres of wildlife lands are now protected by the state, managed for wildlife and kept open to the public for wildlife-related recreation. Open space protection has been one of Gov. Patrick's priorities and another 3,525 acres have been added to Wildlife Management Areas (W.M.A.) during the past year. About \$7,775,000 was spent to acquire this additional land, money that came from Environmental Bond and Wildlands Conservation stamp funds.

The next W.C.L. meeting will be on 12/19/14 at Hubbardston Rod and Gun, 7:30 p.m. In closing, be advised that you can easily spot the giant planet Jupiter high in the sky facing south around 5:30 a.m. at the beginning of December. Jupiter is far brighter than any star seen in the night or early morning sky, except the planet Venus, which is brighter still and will be seen low in the west after sunset in January. (The Moon, of course, is brighter than any planet.) Jupiter rises about 2 hours earlier each month and will be seen low in the east after sunset in February. Mars can occasionally become about as bright as Jupiter, but only very rarely (and briefly) during an exceptionally close "opposition", as seen opposite to the Sun in the sky when it rises around the time that the Sun sets. During most oppositions of Mars, its brightness is less than Jupiter's.

**\*\*Hunter's Education\*\***

There will be a Basic Hunter's Ed course in January 2015. Part of it will be on-line. The classroom portion will be held in Westborough. Course is not listed on the M.E.E. site yet but will be soon along with other courses for 2015.

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

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<https://www.facebook.com/ASC1932>

**Toys For Tots**

Drop-off box now in the ASC lounge. New, unwrapped toys please.

**Halloween Antics**



Visit the ASC website for more event pics:

<http://www.auburnsportsmansclub.com/gallery.html>

