



# AUBURN SPORTSMAN'S CLUB



50 Elm Street, Auburn, Ma 01501

## March Upcoming Events



- 03/04/16 – March Meat Raffle (first table at 7pm)
- 03/08/16 – Hunter's Ed: Basic Hunter Ed. Session 1 of 4
- 03/10/16 – Hunter's Ed: Basic Hunter Ed. Session 2 of 4
- 03/12/16 – Hunter's Ed: Basic Hunter Ed. Session 3 of 4
- 03/14/16 – Hunter's Ed: Basic Hunter Ed. Session 4 of 4
- 03/19/16 – Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner (2pm – 5pm)
- 03/20/16 – Mass Trappers Meeting and Spring Fur Auction
- 03/20/16 – Children's Easter Party (1:30pm – 4pm)
- 03/20/16 – Jr. Conservation Camp Sponsorship Deadline
- 03/21/16 – Monthly ASC Meeting (7pm – all members welcome)
- 03/26/16 – "A Night with the Oldies" Dinner/Dance (4pm – 11pm)
- 03/27/16 – 3-D Archery Shoot
- 04/02/16 – Jack Poissant Pool Tournament (Day 1)
- 04/03/16 – Jack Poissant Pool Tournament (Day 2)
- 04/03/16 – Indoor Flea Market (8am – 1pm)

### March Range/Pond Closures

- **03/27:** Trap, Rifle and Pistol ranges closed full day for 3-D archery event.

**Meat Raffle:** The next monthly ASC meat raffle will be Friday March 4<sup>th</sup>. Early Bird tickets available 6:00pm-6:30pm. Raffle begins 7pm. Open to the public. Support your club!

### \*\*Archery\*\* – Ron Kazlauskas

The 2016 Safari 3-D league kicks off on Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup>. Pick up a schedule on the [ASC] patio. Our first shoot will be on Easter Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>. Check for work party and set-up dates and times on the patio bulletin board.

The indoor league continues on Wednesday nights starting at 6:00. If possible, shooting may start earlier but Mark [Goodwin] gives lessons to new archers prior to starting. Please be patient if the range is closed until 6:00pm.

Gary Pray and I have been discussing setting up an air rifle lane at the [archery] practice range. We feel this will be another good asset to the club. Anyone with suggestions or comments (pro and con) please grab one of us and let us know what you think.

That's all for now. Shoot straight.

### Firearms Training

1. Massachusetts Approved Licensed to Carry Firearm Certification Class (LTC or FID). Live fire/non-live fire.
  2. Utah Non-Resident Permit Class (30+ states) LTC non-live fire 4 hour course. Fee: \$100.00
  3. Non-Resident LTC for Maine, Connecticut and Florida 8hr course. Fee: \$125.00
  4. NRA Range Safety Officer ~ 9 hour course. Fee: \$150.00
- For available course dates, further details and registration contact Greg Cofsky. Cell: 508-612-6071 or Email: gregcofsky@yahoo.com  
~ Pre-registration is required to attend ~

### \*\*Trout\*\* – Glenn Standing

Hopefully by the time you read this we will have had the Bill Bjork Ice Fishing Derby. I'll report on that next month.

The Sportsman's yard sale April 3<sup>rd</sup> from 7 to 1 pm-Tables are \$10.00. Sold out last year so get your tables!!

Stocking April 17<sup>th</sup> at noon. The Spring Fly Derby will be held April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 7 to 11am. The Open Spring Derby will be held April 24<sup>th</sup> from 7 to 12 am.

Raffle Tickets for the Kayak and \$\$\$ money card will be in every months newsletter, so send them in and help support the club!! This is a great Kayak and who couldn't use a \$200 American Express Card!! Thanks and keep a tight line.

### \*\*Black Powder\*\* – Stone Holder

The black powder seminar went extremely well. Thank you to all my committee members for all the help. There will be a one day black powder woods walk in March. Will be on a Sunday. Please contact Stone Holder at 508-523-1824 for date and additional information. Fliers to be posted on the bulletin board on the ASC patio.

### \*\*Horseshoe League\*\* – Hugh Elmes

To all members (non-members welcome), the league will start on May 18<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 6:30pm and run until September 18<sup>th</sup> 2016. Come and enjoy 3 hours of fun, meet new people, and have a few drinks. Weather permitting. \$20 per person for season. Sign up sheet will be in the lounge in April. See you all on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

**ANNUAL TROUT FUNDRAISER**  
\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00  
**Kayak and Giftcard Giveaway**

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**Note:**  
Trout fundraiser tickets (above) and donations can be submitted at the ASC lounge or mailed to the club, ATTN: Trout Fundraiser



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**March 2016 Newsletter**

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

– Craig Cortis

The League's February meeting was held 2/19/16 at Southboro Rod & Gun in Hopkinton. Bill Davis, Central District Manager for Fisheries & Wildlife, spoke at length about low deer harvest numbers for last year. The preliminary total for combined seasons in 2015 is 10,042 deer. (The 2014 final figure was 11,166.) The 2015 total included 132 deer taken during the first special one-day Youth Deer Hunt. Bow season yielded 4,188 deer; shotgun hunters took 4,123 during the two-week shotgun season. Hunters with muzzleloaders took 1,599 deer during the last open season of the year. The Mass. F & W Deer Project Leader, David Stainbrook, suggests that the lower harvest figures can actually be attributed to extended unseasonably warm weather and more food being available to deer during the hunting seasons. Hunters tended to see and harvest fewer deer because the animals were content to not move around their territories very much during such favorable conditions. The less they're up and about, the less apt you are to notice them.

By now, many of you will have become aware of a F & W proposal to introduce and foster a "seed" population of endangered timber rattlesnakes on a restricted island in Quabbin Reservoir. I represent the Worcester County League as a delegate on the Quabbin Watershed Advisory Committee and I'm sure this proposal will be extensively covered at the upcoming March 14 Q.W.A.C. meeting at the Visitor Center in Belchertown; such meetings are open to the public. Considerable information explaining the concept and importance of such an attention-getting plan can be found on the MassWildlife website. Whatever one's opinions of such creatures may be, they are part of the natural landscape and northeast wild environment and are indigenous to this area, having existed here over the course of thousands of years. The Quabbin plan is a well-intentioned, thoughtful attempt to prevent extirpation of this species in Mass.

The next Worcester County League meeting will be held on 3/18/16 at Fitchburg Sportsmen's Club. Finally, goodbye and rest in peace to Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia. We've lost one of our best and most steadfast friends in the country at large with his passing. If you prize individual liberty and personal freedoms as much as I do, you're going to miss Justice Scalia.

**MA Junior Conservation Camp:** The ASC will be sponsoring up to two children (ages 13 to 17) this year to attend the Massachusetts Junior Conservation Camp, 7/31/16 - 8/12/16. Interested in receiving this sponsorship? Submit your application and a letter of intent (why you want to attend the camp) to Brenda Reschke before 03/20/16. The letters from the camp applicants will be presented to the Board of Directors at the April Club meeting, at which time a decision will be made on the sponsorship. Applications and additional information can be found online at the camp's web site ( <http://juniorconservationcamp.org> ) Completed applications and letters can be left at the ASC lounge.

**\*\*Children's Easter Party\*\***

**Sun March 20<sup>th</sup> 1:30pm-4pm**

Easter egg hunt, snacks, crafts, and games. Live bunnies courtesy of Stowe Farm ([www.stowefarm.com](http://www.stowefarm.com)). Register each attending child by March 16<sup>th</sup> in the ASC lounge or by email: [newsletter@auburnsportsmansclub.com](mailto:newsletter@auburnsportsmansclub.com)



**Line Dance Tuesdays**

Free for ASC members, \$5 for non-members. Instruction provided by Judy DuBouis, ASC member. Tuesdays @ 6:30pm. [www.facebook.com/lwanttodaywithyou/](http://www.facebook.com/lwanttodaywithyou/)

The **5th Annual Jack Poissant** "Shot that Made You Famous" Pool Tournament is scheduled for April 2<sup>nd</sup> and April 3<sup>rd</sup>. We have to limit the entries to 40 people to be able to have the 2 -10 team double elimination matches. The winners of the Saturday tournament will play the winner of the Sunday tournament for the title. Please sign up at the bar, partners will be randomly drawn. \$5.00 donation to participate. All proceeds will go to the purchase of medals for the kids' kiver fishing derby in Jack's name. All skill levels welcome. Any questions see Cheryl B.

**\*\*Trapping\*\* – Ron Kazlauskas**

The Mass Trappers will be holding their quarterly meeting on Sunday March 20<sup>th</sup> at the club, 9:00am start. We'll be having a breakfast buffet prior to starting. Come on down, have a bite to eat and learn about the happenings in trapping in Massachusetts.

We'll also be holding a fur auction and raffle that anyone can take part in..

**Corned Beef Dinner**

**Saturday March 19<sup>th</sup>  
2pm – 5pm**

The ASC Annual Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner will be 2pm – 5pm on Saturday **March 19<sup>th</sup>**. Purchase tickets prior to the event. Available through **Wed. March 11<sup>th</sup>**. \$8.00 per person.

*Celebrate St. Patty's Day with us!*

For ticket arrangements, send an email with your contact info to [newsletter@auburnsportsmansclub.com](mailto:newsletter@auburnsportsmansclub.com)



**Auburn Sportsman's Club invites you to "A Night with the Oldies" Dinner/Dance**

**Saturday, March 26, 2016  
4pm - 11pm**

**\$15/person - Tickets are limited to 100!**

**Pork Roast Dinner** included with the price of admission

**Dress In Your Favorite "Musical Era" Costume - 50's, 60's, 70's, 80's, 90's & ...**

**...or come as Your Favorite Musical Star!**

Door Prize for "the Best!"

**Come Join the Fun!!**

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