



AUBURN SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

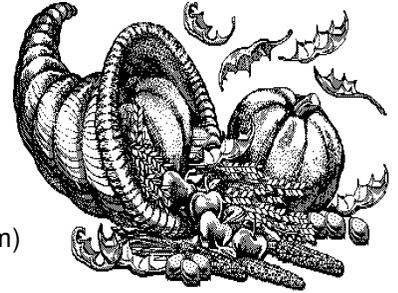


50 Elm Street, Auburn, Ma 01501

November Upcoming Events



- 11/04/16 – Meat Raffle 7pm (Early Bird Tickets - 6:00pm)
- 11/12/16 – Food Drive (day 1)
- 11/13/16 – Food Drive (day 2)
- 11/14/16 – Monthly ASC Meeting (7pm – all members welcome)
- 11/20/16 – Turkey Trap Shoot (11am)
- 12/04/16 – Annual Toys for Tots 3-D Archery Shoot (7am – 11am)



Trapshooting – Bruce Bent

Bird season is finally here. I love this time of year. I do not however love the nitwits that shoot so closely over my head that it makes my ears ring. Let's be safe out there my friends. A hunter's ed course might be in order for some. Okay, now that I have that off my chest, let's move on. We will be having our "Turkey Shoot" November 20 2016. Highest one line score will win a Turkey, pan, and all the fixin's. The cost is the usual \$12.00 that day but to compete for the Turkey prize please bring an unwrapped toy for Ron K's Toys for Tots Drive. Come on down. This is a fun day.

The New Years Day Shoot is coming up as well. If you have been through this before, you know what a good time this is. If not come on down and see how club members, and non-members alike, old friends and new, get together, share a common interest, some cocoa, hangover remedies, and some interesting competitions. Again, same price as a regular round, \$12.00. I'll get into the prize details as we get closer to the event. As always, Shoot Often, Shoot Safe.

Rifle/Pistol – Dan Gleason

Thank you to all who have supported my entry as your new Chairman of the Rifle/Pistol ranges. I look forward to continuing the efforts that Littlehand has made to our ranges over the past year, During his last month as chairman, Lee erected a target stand at the 20 foot mark on the pistol range which can be shot at from inside the pistol house, Littlehand would like to thank everyone who helped with this project including; Dave Carlstrom, Stoneholder, Cody Schmidt, Dejay Gleason and Dan Gleason. We all owe great thanks to him for working so hard to improve our ranges. I look forward to adding more interesting targets and activities to the ranges this coming year. Please remember these 3 important rules; ALWAYS point your firearm in a safe direction, ALWAYS Keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to shoot, ALWAYS keep your firearm unloaded until ready to use. Enjoy all that the club has to offer you! Dan G.

Line Dance Tuesdays: Free for ASC members, \$5 for non-members. Instruction provided by Judy DuBouis, an ASC member. Tuesdays @ 6:30pm. www.facebook.com/Iwanttodancewithyou/

Meat Raffle

The next monthly ASC meat raffle will be Friday Nov 4th. Early Bird tickets available @ 6:00pm. Raffle begins 7pm. Open to the public. Support your club!

November Range/Pond Closures

No scheduled range closures for the month of November.

Archery – Ron Kazlauskas

The safari 3-D season is over. Time to go hunting! We'll be hosting the annual Toys for Tots 3-D shoot on Sunday Dec 4. Details for set-up times will be posted on the [ASC] patio. A donation box for toys will be in the lounge.

We had a great year with our shoots. Thanks to all of you who pitched in to make our shoots a success. The final report of the Archery Committee finances is posted on the [ASC] patio.

The 2017 3-D schedule is out. Copies are available on the patio as well. We'll be holding four shoots this [upcoming] year as well as the Toys for Tots shoot. That's all for now. Gone hunting.

Proposed by-law change to Article IV Membership

Section 1. Annual Membership

a. Application for membership in the club, accompanied by an administration fee set by the Board of Directors (BOD), plus annual dues as set by the BOD may be accepted by two-thirds vote of any BOD meeting. Each new member shall post a work bond as set by the BOD. New members that within 12 calendar months of their acceptance date complete eight (8) hours of supervised work or participate in three organized work parties may choose to have their work bond used towards their next renewal. [Last Sentence Suggested change from] Annual membership shall be limited to One thousand (1,000), not to include retirees, honorary, life or junior members.

Suggested change to:

Total adult membership shall be determined and posted annually prior to the October elections, thus providing an opportunity for a member vote to cap total adult membership as a means to prevent or halt overburdening club resources. The tally count of adult members shall not include retirees, military, abutters, honorary, life or junior members.

[Plus following changes in italics]

b. Dues of annual membership shall be set by the Board of Directors payable annually in advance, and a notice shall be provided to each annual member at his *or her* last known *street or email* address not later than September 1st.

c. *In the event of an adult membership cap*, a waiting list for annual membership, in order of application by date, shall be kept throughout the year, and vacancies shall be filled from this list in the order received.

Holiday Food Drive

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

Suggested food items:

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

Suggested toiletry items:

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| • Deodorant (any) | • Shampoo/Conditioner | • Bar Soap |
| • Toothpaste | • Toothbrushes (all ages) | • Body Wash |

Nov 12 & 13
12pm – 8pm



Congrats to the 2016 Jerky cook-off winners! 1st: Gary Cashman, 2nd: Brian Strong, 3rd: Gary Pray





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November 2016 Newsletter

Worcester County League – Craig Cortis

The League's October meeting was held on 10/21/16 at NORCO Sportsmen's Club in Princeton, presided over by A.S.C. president Jim Nishan, who is also our new W.C.L. president. Jim welcomed delegates and spoke of his interest in getting young people and children involved in our outdoors activities. Delegates representing various member clubs throughout the League drove through a fierce rainstorm to attend the meeting in Princeton. Guest speaker Bill Davis, Central District Manager for Mass. Fisheries and Wildlife, reported that 188 bears were taken during the September 6 – 24 early season, 178 of which were checked online by hunters. Ten bears were brought to traditional checking stations. The second bear season will run from November 7 – 26. Bears can also be taken during the two week shotgun deer season, Nov. 28 – Dec. 10, by licensed hunters who also have a valid black bear permit.

Temporary federal duck stamps are now available through the MassFishHunt online licensing system. When purchased online, the "E-stamp" will show as a line item along with the hunting or sporting license. The stamp will be valid for 45 days only; during this period a federal duck stamp will be mailed to the license holder, at which time it must be signed and then will replace the temporary electronic stamp version. All pheasant stocking sites were visited by F&W staff prior to the October 15 opening day. Weekly stocking will continue through the six week season, concluding on the day before Thanksgiving. Pheasant season will close at sunset on the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Major Wildlife Management Areas will be stocked up to three times per week, and other WMAs and DCR sites will be stocked one or two times weekly. A complete listing of pheasant stocked areas, including those stocked by sportsmen's clubs participating in the Club Pheasant Program, is available on the MassWildlife.org website.

Bill Davis also mentioned the introduction of a new Game Bird Daily Hunting Log which will be provided by F&W Biologist Dave Scarpitti to hunters who would like to assist F&W by contributing valuable data to the upland game bird project. Interested volunteer hunters will be asked to complete a log describing their hunting effort, the number of game birds flushed, number harvested and if the birds were taken with the aid of a dog. Completed forms can be returned to F&W Westborough Field Headquarters at the end of upland bird seasons. Your log data will supplement other information collected through online hunter surveys and field investigations.

I asked Mr. Davis for an update on reputed moose population declines in New England due to numerous winter ticks, not the deer or wood ticks usually associated with wildlife health problems. Bill answered my question very thoroughly and if space permits in the December issue, I'll describe the problem for you readers. The next meeting of the Worcester County League of Sportsmen's Clubs will be at Century Sportsmen's Club in Auburn, 11/18/16.

Happy Thanksgiving!

ASC Election Results

2016 -2017 Officers, Trustees, Directors and Chairmen
The Auburn Sportsman's Club

Officers:		Committee Chairs	
Trustees:		Committees	Chairmen
President: Jim Nishan*		Archery	Ron Kazlauskas*
Vice President: Brenda Reschke*		Bar	L.Strong/C.Baribeault
Treasurer: Mike Lessard*		Bird Banding	JJ White*
Asst. Treasurer: Nancy Krom*		Bird/Game	Bill Girardin*
Secretary: Lee-Ann Strong		Black Powder	Stoneholder*
Clerk: Carla Walsh*		Ecology	Bill Girardin
		Horseshoes	Jon Owens
		House	Bob Ross
		Hunter Educ	Jim Nishan*
		Grounds	Bob Ross*
		Judo	Gary Pray*
		Kitchen	OPEN
		Legislation	Craig Cortis*
		Meat raffle	Ginny Lilley*
		Membership	Mark Goodwin*
		Native Culture	Stoneholder*
		Newsletter	Liz Obringer*
		Nominating	Brenda Reschke*
		Publicity	Jane Waring Pelkey*
		Rifle	Dan Gleason
		Special Events	Maura & Jay O'Connor
		Trap	Bruce Bent*
		Trout	Glenn Standing*

* Incumbent

Trout – Glenn Standing

We finished up the year with some rainy weather. 1st place in the Fall Fly derby was Howard Holbrook with a nice 19 1/2" rainbow and 2nd was Bruce Costello with a 17 3/4" rainbow. The Fall Open derby was won by Michael Plante with a nice 18" fish. 2nd place was Ken Tessier. 1st for the youth was Sam Streeter and 2nd was his brother, Ben Streeter. It was great fishing all weekend long.

Remember, only two fish per day and six per week. If you are catch & release fishing, don't use bait or power bait. Be sure to get the fish back in the pond as fast as possible. Our Fall derbies are a great way to teach kids about catch & release and conservation. Thanks to our kitchen staff and my committee for a great year. Thanks and keep a tight line.

