



AUBURN SPORTSMAN'S CLUB



50 Elm Street, Auburn, Ma 01501

Upcoming June Events

- 05/28/17 – "Salute to our Troops" Memorial Day 3-D archery shoot (all ranges closed)
- 05/29/17 – Memorial Day Commemoration and potluck (2:30p -4:30p)
- 06/03/17 – .22 Caliber Rifle Shoot (registration 8:30a-9:30a) (rifle range closed for morning)
- 06/04/17 – Jack Poisant Kid's Kiver Derby (9am – 11am) (pond closed for morning)
- 06/19/17 – Monthly ASC Meeting (7pm – all members welcome)
- 07/02/17 – 4th of July 3-D archery shoot (all ranges closed)



****Archery**** – Ron Kazlauskas

We'll be holding our "Salute to the Troops" 3D shoot on May 28. The kitchen will be open for breakfast only. Set-up will be on the Friday before...meet at the trap field at 1pm if you are available to help. Committee members and kitchen help will shoot on Saturday. The field course will be closed from Friday (05/26) until after the course clean up on Sunday (05/28).

The 4th of July 3D shoot will be on Sunday July 2nd. Set-up and range closings will be posted on the [ASC] patio.

Big thanks to Mike and his crew for cleaning up the brush on the practice range. That's all for now...shoot straight.

****Trap Shooting**** – Bruce Bent

The Michael Moore event went well on May 13th. The weather held out for us and the participants all seemed to have good things to say. Special thanks to Fran, Angie, Jon, Bill, and Judy. You guys are the best and without you, these events would not be possible. This truly is a club of members, not a club of "I"s.

New trap prices will begin Tuesday, May 2nd, up from \$12.00 to \$13.00.

The tentative date for W.C.L.'s Young Guns trap shoot is June 10th. I'm waiting to hear back for confirmation. They will be handling the event for the most part so as a committee, we are all set. I'll open up the machine and RSO the event but, that's all they will need from us. The club will supply the clays for the competitors.

That's about it from so as always, Shoot often. Shoot safe.

****Trout**** – Glenn Standring

We had our Spring derbies on April 22nd and 23rd. Lots of fishermen and lots of fish caught but not the real big ones...keep trying. Winner of the fly derby was Dan Scully, 2nd went to Joe LaBlanc and smallest fish went to Mike Dusavage. Winner of the regular derby was Will Cheleri, 2nd went to Jim Murphy. Smallest fish was caught by 2 1/2 year old Autter Goguan. Keep those kids fishing and hunting.

Thank you to Dan W, Stone Holder, Nancy & Ginny for manning the kitchen. We have a few new members helping out, so say hello and be patient. Thanks to my daughters for manning the table. We also drew the raffle with Hunter Fran winning the kayak and David Keyer winning the gift card. Thank you to everyone for buying the tickets. They help pay for the great trout we get.

The kids' kiver derby will be June 4th from 9am to 11am. Bring the kids, grandkids and friends down to have some fun. All's free and evry kid will go home with prizes and a full belly. Bring a 5 gallon bucket for the fish.

We had another great flea market again this year but it would have been nice to see more members come by. Thanks and keep a tight line.

June Range/Pond Closures

05/28: All ranges closed for 3-D archery shoot. Reopen for normal operation on 05/29

06/03: Rifle range closed in morning for event

06/04: Pond closed until 12:30pm for Kid's Kiver Derby

07/02: All ranges closed for 3-D archery shoot. Reopen for normal operation on 07/03

Women In the Outdoors

The Central MA chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation will be holding a Women in the Outdoors event at the ASC on July 29th. A fun-filled day designed just for women. Seminars for everything from the shooting sports to kayaking, canning, wilderness survival and everything in between. Visit the Mass WITO web site for registration info and further details.

(<http://www.masswito.com/>)

**** 22 Caliber Shoot****

Don't forget the .22 rifle shoot on June 3rd. Hearing lots of interest from the members about this. Come down and shoot your best. The big question is about scopes....are they allowed or not? ANY sights are allowed – scopes, red dots, iron sights – what ever suits your fancy! Just bring plenty of ammo and your sense of humor. See you there.

SUMMER

2018 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Heads up! It's only June but the ASC membership renewal period is around the corner.

Kids (up to age 11): \$10.00 Juniors (ages 12 to 17): \$15.00
Adult: \$95.00 Retired: N/A

Note: To qualify for "Retired", member must be 65+, having minimum 5 consecutive years to current membership.

Renewals due by Sept 30th, or a \$25 late fee will be applied. Please renew early - not only does it save you a late fee, but hunting seasons start opening in September/October!! The membership renewal forms will be available in the ASC newsletter over the coming months.

On site instant renewals August 13th and 27th from 8am to 12pm at the ASC.

Follow the ASC on Facebook

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

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+ state) 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 ~



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June 2017 Newsletter

****Worcester County League****

– Craig Cortis

Our May meeting was held on 5/19/17 at Eight Point Sportsmen's Club in Sterling. Guest speakers included Senator Anne Gobi of Spencer and Jim Wallace, Executive Director of GOAL. Anne has worked with Jim to develop an extensive, omnibus-type legislative bill entitled S-437, the Outdoor Heritage Act. This bill is (as of 5/19) referred to the Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture; it has 13 sections covering a broad range of great improvements to our abilities to hunt, fish, trap and otherwise enjoy the outdoors. I don't have space here to detail everything involved in S-437 but you can be assured that this bill would be, if passed, one of the best pieces of state legislation affecting our outdoors fraternity to've come about in many years. You can go online to www.goal.org to find a summary of this Outdoor Heritage Act so as to be aware of every part and what each section would do, if passed. Those of you who care about the legalities governing what we do outdoors when hunting, etc. may've already become informed about this or, if not, will take the trouble to find out and keep abreast of the status of S-437 at the State House. Naturally, those who care will contact their legislators, since you'll know who they are and how to express your concerns and wishes when asking for their support of the bill.

Here's a breakdown of what we in Massachusetts who hunt, fish, trap or buy guns, ammunition and archery equipment actually spend in one year, approximately: \$7,600,000 in federal excise taxes under the Pittman-Robertson Act of 1937. \$1,500,000 for purchase of the \$5.00 "Land Stamp" which is an added fee attached to all hunting, fishing and trapping licenses since passage of legislation back in 1990 to create a program to perpetually raise funds dedicated solely for the purchase of open space. (Sportsmen and women played a major part in pushing for this bill, thereby lobbying for a new tax on ourselves!) \$5,200,000 in license sales for hunting, fishing and trapping, statewide. This money goes into a protected, dedicated fund and cannot be expended for general purposes, but must be used only for things relative to fish and wildlife management. It's called the Inland Fisheries and Game Fund. \$1,400,000 spent on additional stamps associated with license purchases. These include Mass. Waterfowl Stamps, Mass. Archery Hunting Stamps, Mass. Primitive Firearms Stamps, Mass. Wild Turkey Permits, Mass. Black Bear Permits and the Mass. Antlerless Deer Permits that so many apply for each year. The grand total covering these 4 different types of purchases by people with our interests annually comes to \$15,700,000. We have good grounds to be taken seriously by legislators, don't you think?

Fisheries and Wildlife will host an Open House at the Field Headquarters in Westboro on Saturday, 6/10; rain date 6/11. Times are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The public is invited to this totally free event which is family-oriented. There'll be a free raffle to win a kayak, life vest and paddle. Food and a barbecue will be provided. Other activities will include a scavenger hunt, archery range, prizes and interactive displays with F&W staff experts on hand. This Open House is being held as part of the Town of Westboro's 300th Anniversary Celebration. Next Worcester County League meeting is 6/16/17 at North Worcester Fox and Coon Club in Holden.

From the Board

By law change proposed...Motion for ASC to cease holding meetings for the months of July and August. To be voted at next mtg.

Committee chair openings... Kitchen and Black Powder. Attend next monthly meeting (06/19) for more details or leave your contact information with the bar tender in the ASC lounge.

Summer Weekly Activities

- **Trap Shooting:** Sunday mornings @ 11am and Tuesday evenings @ 6pm. \$13 participation fee per line. Includes shot and clays. Open to public
- **Horseshoes:** Wednesday evenings @ 6:30pm. \$20 participation fee for season. Open to public.

MA State Senator Michael O. Moore will be sponsoring a Firearm Safety & Education Day at the ASC on Saturday Sept. 23rd. Contact the Senator's office for availability. <http://electmikemoore.com/>

