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AUBURN SPORTSMAN'S CLUB



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October Upcoming Events



- 09/30 – Mail-in 2018 membership renewal postmark deadline
- 09/30 – Fall Fly fishing derby (7am – 11am, registration 6:30)
- 10/01 – Fall catch & release fishing derby (7am – 11am, registration 6:30)
- 10/03 – Cribbage League begins
- 10/04 – Membership Renewal Deadline for drop off at club
- 10/06 – Meat Raffle 7pm (Early Bird Tickets - 6:00pm)
- 10/14 – Pheasant Season Opening Day (firearms ranges closed)
- 10/16 – ASC Election Day (9am – 6:30pm)
- 10/16 – Monthly ASC Meeting (7pm – all members welcome)
- 10/28 – Children's Halloween Party (1pm – 4pm))
- 10/28 – Adult Halloween Party (7pm)



****Nominations / Elections**** – Brenda Reschke

Nominations were held on Monday 9/18. Most positions are unchanged and running unopposed this year. We will be voting on Officer Positions of Vice President and Trustee.

All nominees will be required to have their membership fees paid prior to the ballot being published, so renew now. **Elections** will be held on Monday, October 16th, polls will open at 9:00am and **close at 6:30 pm**. You will be required to **present your current 2017-18 membership card** to obtain a ballot. Absentee ballots will be available at the club as outlined below, starting 10/2/17. You will be required to present your membership card to the Nominating Committee Member and sign the ballot book. **We need a Kitchen Chairman, anyone interested please let us know!!**

10/2/2017	Monday	4-7pm
10/3/2017	Tuesday	1:30pm - 3pm
10/6/2017	Friday	1:30pm - 3pm
10/8/2017	Sunday	12:30pm - 4pm
10/09/2017	Monday	1:30pm - 3pm
10/11/2017	Wednesday	1:30pm - 3pm
10/13/2017	Friday	4pm - 7pm
10/14/2017	Saturday	12:30-3pm
10/15/2017	Sunday	4pm-7pm
ELECTION DAY 10/16/17		9:00am - 6:30pm sharp

Elections - 10/16/17

OPPOSED POSITIONS

Vice President

Brenda Reschke*
Ron Kazlauskas

Trustee

Greg Cofsky
Jon Owens

UNCONTESTED

President Jim Nishan*	Secretary Lee-Ann Strong
Treasurer Cheryl McNally	Clerk Carla Walsh*
Asst. Treasurer Nancy Krom*	
Committees	
Archery	Ron Kazlauskas*
Bar	L.Strong/C.Baribeault
Bird/Game	Bill Giardin*
Bird Banding	JJ White*
Black Powder	Ron Kazlauskas
Ecology	Glenn Standing
Horseshoes	Denis Reynolds
House	Bob Ross
Hunter Education	Chuck Frugal
Grounds	Bob Ross*
Judo	Gary Pray*
Kitchen	OPEN
Meat raffle	Ginny Lilly*
Membership	G.Pray/C.McNally
Newsletter	Doug Nelson
Nominating	Brenda Reschke*
Native Culture	Stoneholder*
Publicity	Jane Waring Pelkey*
Rifle/Pistol	George Adams
Special events	Maura & Jay O'Connor
Trap	Bruce Bent*
Trout	Glenn Standing*

UNCONTESTED

Director At Large
White, JJ*
Krevosky, Fran*
Welch, Jack*
Cofsky, Greg*
Baribeault, Tim*
Pray, Nicole
Fortin, Dan
Davin, Rick
Cove, Eric
Owens, Jon

*Incumbent

Halloween at the ASC

There will be a kid's Halloween party will be held in the ASC hall 1pm to 4pm Saturday Oct 28th. Members' kids and grandkids come on down for a great time! Magic of Steve Charette at 2pm. Evening of Saturday Oct 28th. will be for the adults in the ASC lounge....7pm start.

October Range/Pond Closures

- **09/30:** Pond closed for derby event
- **10/14:** All firearms ranges closed full day for opening day of Pheasant season

REMINDER:

Membership Renewals

Renewals for the 2018 year renewals need to either be postmarked by 9/30 or dropped off to the club no later than 10/4 at 6:00 pm.

NO EXCEPTIONS.

If you fail to renew by these dates you will need to fill out an application as a NEW member. Waiting list is currently over 200.

Meat Raffle

The monthly ASC meat raffles will begin Friday Oct 6th. Early Bird tickets available 6:00 pm to 6:30pm. Raffle begins 7pm. Support your club!



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October 2017 Newsletter

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

The League's September meeting was held 9/15/17 at Otter River Sportsman's Club in Templeton. Annual election of officers and B.O.D. was held. New Mass. Commissioner of Fish & Game, Ron Amidon, attended. Ron was recently appointed to this position to replace the retiring George Peterson. He's been active in the Worcester County League for about 30 years. Ron described his function and duties as Commissioner and spoke about ongoing projects involving land preservation and wildlife management, as well as plans for future work in these areas. He mentioned that the Division of Fisheries & Wildlife, a section of his Department of Fish & Game, is managing land at the old Edwards Air Base on the Cape. This is a huge tract of approximately 22,000 acres of government-owned land. Open land preservation is always a priority with our League. I spotted a recent article in the Worcester Telegram which stated that New England is losing about 65 acres of forestland every single day, a conclusion of a report released by the respected research group the Harvard Forest, headquartered in Petersham.

Bill Davis, Central District Manager for Mass. F & W, reported that fall trout stocking begins in late September when water temperatures drop sufficiently. The complete list of fall trout stocked waters is on the MassWildlife website. Daily stocking updates are given on the Mass.gov/trout page. Northern pike of 13-plus inches were stocked at Quaboag Pond at the rate of 2 fish per acre of surface water, or 950 fish in total. The pike were obtained from New Jersey. Bill Davis also mentioned that the state's biggest bear population is in Northampton, surprisingly.

A "Public Habitat Site Walk" is scheduled at the Birch Hill W.M.A. for Thursday, 10/5/17, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. in order to describe planned work to restore barrens habitat and young forest habitat in the area, improvements that will greatly benefit wild plants, trees, animals and birds. This is a pet project of Commissioner Amidon. Interested parties will meet at the Winchendon Rod & Gun Club at 169 Winchendon Road in Royalston. Those who go should be prepared for a "moderately strenuous" walk. Next Worcester County League meeting will be 10/20/17 at the NORCO Sportsmen's Club in Princeton, 7:30 p.m. (Ending joke: I will pay \$1.00 to the first person who tells me that they've read this newsletter report.)

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

I spoke at the last meeting about alcohol and firearms not mixing well. Use of alcohol before or during range is prohibited by club policy and the thinking of any intelligent person.

Summer has passed and the fall is upon us. Many of you will be hunting. Please do it safely and ethically. Our Hunter Education, Ladies Firearms Field Days, and the two Senator Moore Firearms Field Days will be finished by the time you read this. Good Luck hunting.

There will be cameras installed on the rifle and pistol ranges soon. The range chairperson and president among others will periodically review the recordings for safety violations

With respect Nish

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An informative presentation on MA gun laws

featuring Jon Green of G.O.A.L. will be held in the ASC hall 6pm on Wednesday Nov 8th. Current and future gun owners are encouraged to attend. No registration required. No participation fee.

****Cribbage**** – Cheryl B

Clear your Tuesday nights as cribbage will start on October 3rd. We are looking for new and returning players. We play in teams but if you don't have a partner we will find someone for you. Let's get together on October 3rd meet the new players and play some practice games or even start that night if we decide as a group. Cost is \$5.00/week per player. Pot luck banquet and prizes will be awarded. Please contact Cheryl B at the ASC lounge with any questions. Sign-up sheet in the lounge.

****Newsletter**** The ASC newsletter will be switching over to electronic delivery. Paper mailings will cease. The newsletter will be available on the ASC website and through monthly email delivery. This move will result in a club operations expense cut of, at minimum, \$1,000 a year. For member convenience, there will be a limited number of printed copies at various spots through out the ASC grounds. Be sure to include your preferred email address on your 2018 membership renewal form or send to newsletter@auburnsportsmansclub.com along with your name and member number.