The North American Squirrel Association
Formed in 2003, nasa is a non-profit organization that grew out of a desire to provide the physically challenged and elderly members of our community with outdoor opportunities. Using donated funds and merchandise from generous individuals and businesses in the community, nasa has been able to provide a host of opportunities to those in need, free of charge. Take a look at all that we are doing!

Do you like to fish?
If you do and have been missing out, nasa can help you get out and hook a big one. First and foremost is the nasa pontoon boat. Specially built for wheelchair accessibility, nasa provides the boat from May through September on Lake Onalaska. With a captain provided by nasa, there’s no excuse not to get out on the water this summer.

If boating isn’t your thing, then try one of the nasa fishing piers. Through a partnership with local government agencies and generous sponsors, nasa has placed wheelchair accessible fishing piers on Lake Onalaska and Lake Neshonoc in places sure to provide you with many hours of easy-access fishing. Each pier is equipped with benches and pole holders, so get out, enjoy the day, and land a big one!

For those of you who like a little winter fishing, the nasa ice shanties are a sure bet. Located on Lakes Onalaska and Neshonoc, these ice shanties are designed with accessibility in mind. Turn on the heaters and you’re set for a day of fishing out of the elements.

Finally, nasa provides trout fishing opportunities at local private ponds for young and old alike. There’s nothing quite as rewarding as seeing a face light up when that special person hooks a fish! Attendees receive help from nasa members, personal aides, and other volunteers in catching, cleaning, cooking and eating their catch in what is sure to be a most memorable experience.

If you would like to reserve either the boat or ice shanties, visit www.nasasquirrel.org A pilot for the boat will always be provided.

If you would like an individual considered for one of the pond fishing opportunities, please contact us at www.nasasquirrel.org or complete and return the questionnaire on this flyer.
Do you like to hunt?

Do you want to hit the woods but just can’t manage it on your own any more? NASA has access to many acres of prime hunting land for use during the nine-day deer hunt for the disabled that the DNR runs each fall. During this special hunt we pair a person in need with an able-bodied assistant for safety and success, we provide lunch and dinner, and there is plenty of camaraderie to make the event one that you’ll remember for a lifetime. For information visit our site at www.nasa-squirrel.org.

Hunting Buddy System

A big part of our program is the NASA “Buddy” system. The NASA “Buddy” system pairs an able-bodied sportsperson with a sportsperson-in-need for a specific sporting opportunity and also helps NASA locate private lands and ponds for use on disabled hunting and fishing events, something very vital to the success of our program. Please become involved today in some manner by filling out the spaces on the detachable portion of this flyer or by visiting our website @ www.nasa-squirrel.org.

What if I don’t hunt or fish?

Don’t let that stop you! As part of NASA’s effort to grow and promote outdoor activities for the elderly and physically challenged, we now offer three unique opportunities. First is the disabled youth ski program. In a partnership with Montet, L. Lusso and the YWCA, NASA provides equipment, training, and support for challenged youths to hit the slopes in specialized ski equipment.

Secondly is the NASA biking program. In a partnership with the YWCA, NASA provides specially built recumbent bikes that allow most physically challenged biking enthusiasts to hit the road and regain some freedom. What an experience it can be!

Lastly, if you like to hit the links but just can’t manage, NASA can help. Working with area golf courses, NASA is proud to introduce golf carts with the physically challenged in mind.