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## Boaters Celebrate This Season And Next

### *Lights Sparkle On Southwestern Waters*

#### A BIG EVENT FOR SMALL BOATS

### Pocket Cruisers Returning To Lake Havasu!

The Havasu Pocket Cruisers are thrilled to announce that preparations are in full swing for the 2011 Havasu Pocket Cruisers Convention, to be held Feb. 14-21 at the London Bridge Resort and Convention Center in Lake Havasu City, Ariz. The 2011 event promises to be the biggest and best yet with over 100 pocket cruiser sailboats/crews from across the country participating.



#### What Is A Pocket Cruiser?

What is a Pocket Cruiser? Event organizer Sean Mulligan answers, "A pocket cruiser is a small trailerable sailboat that is an extremely [able] craft ... capable of housing and providing for its crew for extended explorations."

"Accommodations range from sparse, to downright comfortable depending on the owner's preference. The boats themselves are capable of some impressive feats".

Although the Havasu event finds the Pocket Cruisers sailing the benign waters of Lake Havasu, often these little craft and their owners venture out into bigger waters. Many of the participating crew and boats have made journeys to places like

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Some of the most spectacular boating events in the Southwest have to be the area's lighted-boat parades. Whether in Arizona or California, the holiday season sparkles on lakes and in bays to celebrate the beauty of the holidays. Hopefully, you can visit one or more (or all?) of these events in the next two months. And, if you know of other lighted-boat parades in your area, please contact editor@azbw.com.

#### In Arizona:

**Nov. 27 in Parker:** 12th Annual Holiday Lighted Boat Parade; Blue Water Marina; free; 6 p.m.; (928) 669-2174 or <http://park-erareatourism.com> or [www.bluewaterfun.com](http://www.bluewaterfun.com)



<http://www.sandiegocostlife.com/events/mission-bay/mission-bay-christmas-parade.html>  
**Lake Havasu, Ariz.**

**Dec. 3 and 4 in Lake Havasu City:** London Bridge Yacht Club's 28th Annual Christmas

Boat Parade of Lights; 50 beautifully decorated boats pass under the historic London Bridge; this year's theme is "A Star Spangled Havasu Christmas"; free; (928) 680-4652 or [www.lhcboatparadeoflights.com](http://www.lhcboatparadeoflights.com).



**Tempe Town Lake, Ariz.**

**Dec. 11 at Tempe Town Lake:** APS Fantasy of Lights Boat Parade; Tempe Beach Park & Town Lake; Santa arrives at 6 pm, decorated and lighted boats of all sizes and makes parade at 7 pm, free, [www.downtowntempe.com](http://www.downtowntempe.com)



**San Diego, Calif.**

#### In California:

**Dec. 10 and 11 + Dec. 17 and 18 in Dana Point Harbor:** 36th Annual Boat Parade of Lights; theme: "Jingle Bell Rock"; awards and cash prizes; (949) 923-2255 or [www.danapointharbor.com](http://www.danapointharbor.com)

#### Dana Point

**Dec. 12 and 19 in San Diego Bay:** This



**Dana Point, Calif.**

December the San Diego Bay Parade of Lights will celebrate over 30 years in a splendid San Diego holiday tradition; our parade is viewed by over 80,000 people every year and growing; the committee from the San Diego Bay Parade of Lights invites your establishment to participate in this year's parade; [www.sdpardoflights.org](http://www.sdpardoflights.org)

**Dec. 15 through 19 in Newport Beach:** The Newport Beach Boat Parade is said by some to be the premier Christmas event, not only for Orange County and Los Angeles but also Southern California; with over 100 years of history, the Newport Beach Christmas Boat Parade is viewed by over a million

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**Newport Beach, Calif.**

#### THEIR GOAL IS SAILING FOR ALL

### ASU Sailing Takes Fourth In San Diego Regatta

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — The Arizona State University Sailing Club varsity boat placed fourth in the Frosh/Soph Regatta in San Diego despite not having had Tempe Town Lake for practice during the summer. The regatta was hosted by UC San Diego and the Mission Bay Yacht Club at the end of October.

There were 30 races run over the course of two days in Mission Bay. Saturday had very light and shifty winds and Sunday was much better with a steady breeze all day. The ASU sailing team finished first in three races.

There were 13 boats entered among eight colleges and universities. At the regatta, 14 sailors represented ASU. The varsity skippers were freshman Spenser Branch and freshman Maggie Blumm. The junior varsity boat placed 10 overall and was skippered by Sophomore Gerald Byrnes and freshman Marissa Bloodgood.

Invaluable to the team's success was former America's Cup contender and ASU's racing coach Phillip Freedman who joined ASU this semester. Freedman was able to instill confidence and bring his many years of sailing experience to the team.

The Frosh/Soph Regatta was the club's first intercollegiate competition this season in the Pacific Coast Collegiate Sailing Conference. In mid-November, the club



*ASU Sailing Club*

**THEIR MISSION** — here in Mission Bay and beyond for the ASU Sailing Club is to promote sailing and sailing education for people of all abilities within the greater ASU community and to develop personal leadership skills and team building skills through the sport of sailing.

participated in the PCCSC Dinghy Pacific Coast Championships hosted by UC Santa Barbara. Results are expected to be posted online.

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through the sport of sailing.

The ASU Sailing Club sails on Tempe Town Lake, Lake Pleasant and competes on the California coast for intercollegiate competitions. To read more about the ASU Sailing Club and information on how to make a charitable contribution to the club, please visit <http://www.asu.edu/clubs/sailing>.

### Christmas Tree-Cutting Tags Are Still On Sale

Last year's highly successful partnership with Arizona Big 5 Sporting Goods stores to sell Arizona national forest Christmas tree-cutting tags is being repeated, with over-the-counter tag sales at selected Big 5 Sporting Goods stores.

The ongoing partnership with Big 5 Sporting Goods stores makes it convenient

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**NOT DEER TAGS BUT** — Christmas tree-cutting tags are still available. Last year's highly successful partnership with Arizona Big 5 Sporting Goods stores to sell Arizona national forest Christmas tree-cutting tags is being repeated, with over-the-counter tag sales at selected Big 5 Sporting Goods stores and a few other locations noted in the story.





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### HAIL TO ED HALE, CHIEF BOAT MOVER!

## And To Many Others, Including Bartlett Lake Marina

CAREFREE, Ariz. — *Arizona Boating & Watersports/Western Outdoor Times* has brought another vintage Chris-Craft to Arizona for refurbishing as part of the "Rock The Boat" (501C3) project to benefit Superstition Search & Rescue.

### Many Thank-Yous Are In Order

Bruce Biddick of CFB Marine Group, along with John Campbell of The International Yellowtail Derby, put together a San Diego team to help save this 1954 36' Chris-Craft Commander.

The boat was donated by Marina Cortez, towed by Bubba Severance of SeaTow San Diego, and hauled-out at Driscoll's on Shelter Island where it received new bottom paint. RTB thanks them all.



Chris-Craft Gets A Lift



Home At Bartlett Lake

Once again, **Ed Hale** of Hale's Marine Service, a major "Rock The Boat" sponsor, hauled the Chris-Craft from San Diego to Bartlett Lake, arriving on Nov. 2. A huge vote of appreciation goes to him and to his crew.

And, Bartlett Lake Marina's **Bryan and Eric Church** deserve many sincere thank-yous. They have welcomed the boat into their wonderful marina, supported the project, and have been patient with all the initial details involved in this move.

home to these beautiful floating pieces of history. *Arizona Boating & Watersports/Western Outdoor Times* and the "Rock The Boat" project hope to establish this tradition at Bartlett Lake in Arizona.

This will make the fourth vintage Chris-Craft to join the "Rock The Boat" (501C3) fleet. As these boats are completed, they will be auctioned with proceeds going to Superstition Search & Rescue.

If you are interested in being part of the refurbishing crew in any way, please contact Jim Allen at (480) 947-6219.

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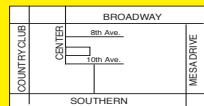
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# KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

## Refreshen your boating safety knowledge

### Falling Overboard

#### ◆ To prevent persons from falling overboard:

- Don't sit on the gunwale, bow, seat backs, motor cover, or any other area not designated for seating.
- Don't sit on pedestal seats when under way at greater than idle speed.
- Don't stand up on or lean out from the boat.
- Don't move about the boat when underway

#### ◆ If someone on your boat falls overboard:

- Reduce speed and toss the victim a throwable PFD.
- Have other passengers watch the victim.
- Turn your boat around and slowly pull alongside the victim, approaching the victim from downwind or into the current, whichever is stronger.
- Turn off the engine. Pull victim on board over the stern, keeping the weight in the boat balanced.

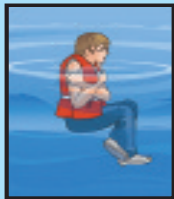
### Hypothermia

#### ◆ If you are boating in cold water:

- Dress in several layers of clothing under your PFD or wear a wetsuit or drysuit.
- Learn to recognize the symptoms of hypothermia. Symptoms begin with shivering and bluish lips and nails, and progress to a coma and, ultimately, death.

#### ◆ To reduce the effects of hypothermia:

- Put on a PFD if not wearing one. It helps you to float without excessive movement and insulates your body.
- Get as much of your body out of the water as possible.
- Don't take your clothes off unless necessary — clothes can help you float and provide insulation.
- Don't thrash or move about. Excess motion consumes energy and increases loss of body heat.
- Draw your knees to your chest and your arms to your sides, protecting the major areas of heat loss.
- If others are in the water with you, huddle together with your arms around their shoulders.



## BOATING AND FISHING OPPORTUNITIES IN ARIZONA

Did you know that boating and fishing locations and facilities in Arizona are abundant considering most non-residents think Arizona is just Desert? Check out the Arizona Game and Fish Department's interactive maps for boating and fishing that include images, amenities information and driving directions. Visit [www.azgfd.gov/watercraft](http://www.azgfd.gov/watercraft).

## Statewide Boating Education Classes

### November 2010

Host	Date and Time	Location	Cost	Registration
Arizona Game and Fish Department	Nov. 20 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Water Safety Center at Contact Point 1801 Highway 95 Lake Havasu City	\$5 per family	(928) 680-0359
Arizona Game and Fish Department	Nov. 23 & 24 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Must attend both)	Arizona Game & Fish Department 5000 Carefree Highway Phoenix	\$0	(623) 236-7235

### December 2010

Host	Date and Time	Location	Cost	Registration
Arizona Game and Fish Department	Dec. 18 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Patagonia Lake State Park Sonoita Creek Visitors Center 400 Patagonia Lake Road, Patagonia	\$0	(520) 287-6965
U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary	October 18 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Cabela's Outfitters 9380 W. Glendale Ave. Glendale	\$30	(602) 559-1440

## U.S. Aids to Navigation System (ATON)

Buoys and markers are the "traffic signals" that guide vessel operators safely along some waterways. They also identify dangerous or controlled areas and give directions and information. As a recreational boat or PWC operator, you will need to know the lateral navigation markers and non-lateral markers of the U.S. Aids to Navigation System.

Daymarks are permanently placed signs attached to structures, such as posts, in the water. Common daymarks are red triangles (equivalent to nuns) and green squares (equivalent to cans), they may be lighted also.



### Danger

Diamonds warn of dangers such as rocks, shoals, construction, dams, or stumps. Always proceed with caution.



## Other Non-Lateral Markers

**Safe Water Markers** are white with red vertical stripes and mark mid-channels or fairways. They may be passed on either side.



**Inland Waters Obstruction Markers** are white and black vertical stripes and indicate an obstruction to navigate. you should not pass between these buoys and the nearest shore.

## Lateral Markers

These navigation aids mark the edges of safe water areas; for example, directing travel within a channel. The markers use a combination of colors and numbers, which may appear on either buoys or permanently placed markers.

**Red colors, red lights, and even numbers** indicate the right side of the channel as a vessel enters from the open sea or heads upstream



**Green colors, green lights, and odd numbers** indicate the left side of the channel as a vessel enters from the open sea or heads upstream

**Red and green colors and/or lights** indicate the preferred (primary) channel. If green is on top, the preferred channel is to the right as a vessel enters from the open sea or heads upstream; if red is on top, the preferred channel is to the left.



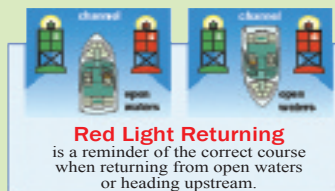
**Nuns** are red cone-shaped buoys marked with even numbers



**Cans** are green cylindrical-shaped buoys marked with odd numbers



**Lighted Buoys** use the lateral marker colors and numbers discussed above; in addition, they have a matching colored light.



## Non-Lateral Markers

Non-lateral markers are navigational aids that give information and regulations. The most common are regulatory markers. They are white with orange stripes on the top and bottom with a geometric shape between the stripes. The shapes indicate the purpose of the markers as shown below.



### Information

Squares indicate where to find food supplies, repairs, etc. and give directions and other information.



### Controlled

Circles indicate a controlled area such as speed limit, no fishing or anchoring, ski only or no skiing, or "slow, no wake."



### Exclusion

Crossed diamonds indicate areas off-limits to all vessels such as swimming areas, dams, and spillways.

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## Volunteers Fence Off Abandoned Mines For Eagle Scout Project

KINGMAN, Ariz.— Using hand tools and hard work, Kingman Eagle Scout candidate Jonathan Beck organized volunteers and equipment to fence and sign a dangerous abandoned mine on public lands in Golden Valley about 20 miles west of Kingman on Nov. 6.

"Abandoned mines are one of the greatest hazards we have on public lands in the western United States," said Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Geologist/Abandoned Mine Specialist Paul Misiaszek. We can't thank Jonathan, his family, Boy Scout Troop 19, and the volunteers enough for all their hard work making public lands safer."

Misiaszek added that the unnamed large open mine shaft near Secret Pass in the Black Mountains is several hundred feet deep. The 10 volunteers installed nearly 200 feet of barbed-wire fence around it and posted warning signs.

Abandoned mine lands are a priority program for BLM. In addition to temporary closures using barbed-wire fence, BLM is permanently closing dangerous



**STAY OUT!** — Stay alive! People are urged to stay on existing roads and trails when traveling Arizona's backcountry and definitely not to enter any dangerous abandoned mine.

mine workings by installing bat gates or backfilling. Earlier this year, 20 abandoned mine workings in the Kingman area, which were known to harbor bat colonies, were closed with bat gates and cupolas through American Reinvestment and Recovery Act funding. Arizona Game and Fish Department staff will shortly begin assisting BLM by surveying



**THANK YOU!** — to the Kingman Eagle Scouts Troop 19 for their work in early November to fence and sign dangers abandoned mines on public lands in Golden Valley.

abandoned mine workings for bats.

"We urge people to stay on existing roads and trails when traveling Arizona's backcountry and to 'Stay Out - Stay Alive' when they come across an abandoned mine," Misiaszek concluded.

For information about abandoned mine safety or volunteering, contact the BLM Kingman Field Office at 2755 Mission Blvd., Kingman, AZ 86401 or call (928) 718-3700.

**Editor's Note:** The BLM manages more land - 245 million acres - than any other Federal agency. This land, known as the National System of Public Lands, is primarily located in 12 western states,

including Alaska. The Bureau, with a budget of about \$1 billion, also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM's multiple-use mission is to sustain the health and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. The Bureau accomplishes this by managing such activities as outdoor recreation, livestock grazing, mineral development, and energy production, and by conserving natural, historical, cultural, and other resources on public lands.



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**NOT THIS YEAR** — but next? Members of Doug Verstuyt's crew are shown preparing for a heat in the recent Top Fuel Hydro Lucas Oil Drag Boat Series NAPA Auto Parts World Finals at Firebird. Nitro Chicken is a sponsor of "Rock The Boat," and *Arizona Boating & Watersports/Western Outdoor Times* is one of Nitro Chicken's sponsors. We look forward to their next trip to Arizona and, hopefully, a win in 2011! (See story on page 12.)



## A Grand New Look In San Diego

"A Luminous New Landmark on the Big Bay®" is what visitors will say as they stroll along Broadway Pier in San Diego and see the new Port Pavilion.

Just before Christmas, this spectacular "gift" will be open to guests and is a celebration for the whole family. All are invited to the Open House at Broadway

Pier on Saturday, Dec. 18 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Following the public open house will be a dedication ceremony at 4 p.m.

Most Arizona visitors know San Diego well, but just in case you may be a new-comer to the Big Bay, just head to downtown San Diego and park near 1000 North Harbor Drive. "You can't miss it!"



Dale Frost, San Diego Port Photographer



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## A WHALE OF A TIME —

In San Diego is just around the corner. Jan. 22, 2011 marks the third annual Big Bay Whale Days Festival, and this time, it will be held at the new Port Pavilion at the foot of Broadway Pier. This will be a fun, family oriented event (with exhibitors and vendors) to help launch and promote the whale-watching season and all the fun things to do along the waterfront. Approximately 2,500 guests are expected to attend. The event promises to be a great way to start the New Year! For more information, visit [www.sdmartitime.org](http://www.sdmartitime.org).

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# These Are The Goals Of AZGFD Boating-Safety Instructors

*Think about joining the crew as a volunteer.*

The Arizona Game and Fish Department's Boating Safety Education program develops and delivers instruction and information through classes, events and presentations that are designed to enhance the boating skills, knowledge and abilities of citizens recreating on Arizona's waterways, thus promoting and enhancing their safe and enjoyable recreational experience.

## Boating Education Goals

1. Expand and enhance boating safety education, including development of an independent study course to promote safe and responsible boating.
2. Emphasize responsible boating behavior during appropriate Sportfishing Education courses and clinics.
3. Work with local organizations such as the Power Squadron, Coast Guard Auxiliary, Boy and Girl Scouts, Boys and Girls Clubs, schools, Red Cross, Universities, hospitals, fire, police and sheriff's departments, military installations and other



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4. Implement recommendations from the Department's watercraft team report.
5. Add a conservation component to all

watercraft education and outreach efforts.

## How Do I Get On Board?

**When:** Ongoing. The boating-safety education program operates with volunteers and they are vital to its ongoing success.

**Where:** Volunteers decide where they want to teach (Phoenix Game and Fish department Headquarters is always a venue.)

**Description:** 35 to 40 applicants are needed for the position of volunteer boating education instructor. They should be

at least 18 years of age and need to complete a volunteer instructor application. They should have already completed either the classroom or online Arizona Game and Fish Department's *Boat Arizona* course. The applicants will then be scheduled to attend the 16-hour instructor-training program. Upon successful completion of the training, a background investigation will be conducted prior to any candidate's receiving an appointment as a certified volunteer boating safety education instructor.

It is highly suggested that applicants have a solid boating background and experience, a basic knowledge of Arizona's waterways, boats, motors, trailering and safety equipment requirements as well as state and federal rules and regulations. Some teaching and/or public speaking experience will help as well. Certified instructors will be expected to teach, assist in teaching, or proctor at least two classes annually as well as complete any necessary or required in-service training once a year. Valid Arizona Driver's License required.

**Contact:** Ed Huntsman Conservation Education Program Manager: [EHuntsman@azgfd.gov](mailto:EHuntsman@azgfd.gov) or (623)236-7237

## Don't Fire-Up At The Dock; Instead, Fuel-Up With Proper Procedures

### From "Boating Basics Online"

Proper fueling procedures are very important in preventing onboard fires. Gasoline vapors are heavier than air and can spread rapidly into enclosed spaces. You should check the bilges and all closed compartments for gasoline vapors. The sniff test is the most effective method for detecting fuel leaks.

*Tip: Always use the 'one-third rule': one-third of your fuel to get out, one-third to get back, and one-third in reserve.*

### Fueling Precautions

- Secure boat to the dock.
- Switch off engine(s).
- Extinguish all open flames.
- Do not use electrical switches.
- No smoking.
- Close ports, hatches, and doors.
- Portable tanks should be refueled ashore.
- Make certain all passengers are ashore.
- Determine quantity of fuel required.

- Hold hose nozzle firmly against fill pipe opening.
- Do not overfill. **Prevent fuel from falling into the water during fueling.** This can harm the marine environment.
- Wipe up all spillage.
- Open ports, hatches, and doors to ventilate.
- Turn blower on for four minutes minimum.
- Do the sniff test.
- Start engine(s).
- Re-board passengers.
- Untie from dock and cast off.

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Dan Teckenoff, publisher, Catalina Islander

problem by overfilling your tanks.

### Fuel Conservation Tips

- Maintenance —**
- Keep engine well tuned.
  - Use correct propeller and check for damage.
  - Be sure engine is adequate for boat.
  - Use proper oil mix in motor.
  - Keep hull clean to reduce friction.

- On The Water —**
- Drain all water before leaving dock.
  - Distribute weight evenly and don't overload.

- Shut off engine when at dock or at rest.
- Make fewer turns so as to not increase motor load.
- Plane smoothly and quickly at take off then throttle back to cruising speed.

- Plan fishing spots ahead of time and use trolling motor for minor changes in location.

For more information, visit [http://www.boatingbasicsonline.com/content/general/5\\_6.php](http://www.boatingbasicsonline.com/content/general/5_6.php) and take a boating-safety class from Arizona Game & Fish, the Coast Guard Auxiliary, and/or the Phoenix Sail & Power Squadron.

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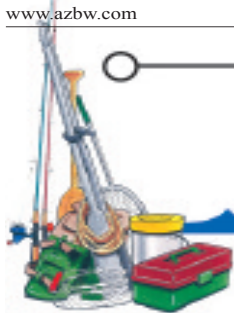
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# LIGHT LINES

FISHING IN ARIZONA AND BEYOND



## LAKE POWELL FISHING REPORT

### An Exciting Winter Of Fishing Awaits AZ Anglers

By Wayne Gustaveson

Where did the summer go? I will be sampling uplake during the first part of November so this will be my last regular fish report for the year. If something good happens, a supplemental report will be posted on Wayneswords.com. Here is what to expect during the next month.

#### Striped Bass

Stripers will continue to be found in deep water. Focus on the 60-foot depth strata to make best use of graphing time and eliminate looking in areas that are less productive. It will be easy to graph schools in the back of major canyons like Warm Creek, Rock Creek, Bullfrog and Halls, and Red Canyon.

Striped bass will be in most canyons but those listed are a sure thing. Graph a

school of stripers, chum the spot and then catch fish with bait. When fish rise off the bottom, the use of other tackle like spoons, grubs, and hard plastic lures will work for active fish.

But, chumming a school into activity will be an important component of a successful trip. Bring frozen cut bait even if it's not the intention to fish with it. The pattern will work most of the winter. Remember to keep all stripers caught to balance predators with prey populations.

Inflow areas near Hite and the upper San Juan will harbor actively feeding stripers that will boil occasionally and actively take trolled lures in the upper 40 feet of water and jigging spoons at greater depths. Down-rigger trolling will work very well over the entire lake with lures

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### 100,000 Rainbow Trout Added To Ariz. Urban Lakes

Get your trout fishing gear ready because starting Nov. 17 more than 100,000 rainbow trout were heading to Arizona's Urban Program lakes during the four-month winter stocking program.

"This is a fantastic time to fish our popular urban lakes," said Eric Swanson, urban fisheries program manager. "We are just finishing up our channel catfish stockings, so they are still plentiful for anglers. Plus, we recently stocked thousands of bluegills and largemouth bass as well."

Swanson said the trout, which Arizona imports from Colorado, range from 10 to 14 inches long. "As we have seen in years past, these are really some quality rainbows for the anglers to catch at any of our 21 urban lakes."

Remember that if you don't already have a 2010 urban fishing license, they are on sale at half price — it's just \$9.25 whether you are a resident or nonresident.

You can even purchase a license online at [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov) or at any license dealer in the state (sporting goods stores, Wal-marts, etc.).



Wayne Gustaveson

**WINTER WAYNE WITH QUARRY** — Summer may be gone, but the fish aren't. According to Wayne Gustaveson's last fishing report of the year, "It will be an exciting winter to fish in cool water at magnificent Lake Powell."

### 'Going Long 2010' Now Available

DVD set captures drama of long-range fishing action.

I have spent a lifetime fishing many waters, both fresh and salt. I have dreamed of landing monster fish since my youthful addiction to fishing began.

Thanks to Jim and Carol Allen of *Arizona Boating & Watersports/Western Outdoor Times* and John Bacos of *westcoastfishing.com*, I lived that dream early in 2010.

I stepped onto the vessel *Intrepid* with what I thought was experience enough to tackle these huge fish. It took only 45 minutes of daybreak on the first day in

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Art Coleman

**WALLY'S CATCH** — Mike Wallace caught this 218-pound yellow fin tuna during his long-range trip earlier this year on *Intrepid*.



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## TIGHT LINES™

### Collegiate Bass Fishing Championship, Open Dates Announced

SAN ANTONIO, Texas — As the fall 2010 college semester gets underway, collegiate anglers throughout the country are looking forward to the opportunity to represent their schools as they compete in bass tournaments. Many college fishing clubs will hold intra-club events this fall before the competition heats up during the spring of 2011.

Considered by many to be the most coveted title of all, the BoatUS Collegiate Bass Fishing Championship is also the largest event in all of collegiate bass fishing. Hosted by the City of Lewisville, Texas, for the sixth consecutive year, organizers are committed to raising the bar when student anglers from every region of the country compete at Lake Lewisville on May 23-27 to decide the 2011 national champions.

Logan Bliss of University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point commented, "I can't wait to make the trip down to Lewisville next year



for the BoatUS Collegiate Bass Fishing Championship. This is the biggest college bass fishing tournament in the world and it gets better and better each year! The treatment we receive from the sponsors of this event is nothing short of great and the competition and camaraderie between the schools is the best it can get!"

Building on the success of the inaugural 2010 Collegiate Bass Fishing Open presented by Pepsi, collegiate anglers will once

again gather in Paris, Tenn., on the shores of Kentucky Lake, June 27-30 to determine the top collegiate bass team in the nation. A new format for this exciting event will be announced soon.

"During the 2010 Open on Kentucky Lake, I experienced my best two days of fishing ever as a collegiate angler. Our three-boat team combined to catch over 100 keeper bass and I caught a new personal best weighing over six pounds! I look forward to visiting this amazing fishery again and working with my teammates to become the 2011 Open champions," stated Alex Crawl of University of Tennessee-Chattanooga.

In addition to the aforementioned national events, a number of regional tournaments held throughout the nation will be sanctioned and promoted by the Associa-

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### NEW FISH VIRUS IN SAGUARO LAKE

### Preliminary Tests Say Disease Has No Risk

From Arizona Game  
& Fish Department

Arizona may have a new microscopic aquatic invader — largemouth bass virus, which can kill fish but is not harmful to people.

"There has been a preliminary detection of this fish virus at Saguaro Lake," said Arizona Game and Fish Department Fisheries Chief Kirk Young.

Fish samples from Saguaro recently showed preliminary results for the largemouth bass virus, but due to testing timelines for this disease, Arizona Game and Fish is still awaiting a full report from federal laboratories. The full report is expected in the next three to four weeks. Confirmation of the detection will then be sought with another, independent laboratory.

Young emphasized that even if the virus is present, the disease poses no risk to people and pets and the water is safe for drinking-water supply and recreation. "Largemouth bass virus is not known to infect any warm-blooded animals and any fish that are caught by anglers are safe to eat," said Young. "However, we always recommend that you thoroughly cook any fish you intend to eat and never use found dead or dying fish for food."

If confirmed, Saguaro would be the first water in Arizona to test positive for the presence of the virus. Although not previously detected in Arizona, dating back to 1991, at least 18 other states have found the fish disease in bodies of water.

Game and Fish is working to develop a sampling effort to determine the presence

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TRACKING: PART 2 OF 3

## Do All You Can To Retrieve Your Game

By Mike Wallace

A few years ago a good friend, Jay Barus, showed up at camp with a huge grin on his face. Without saying anything, we all new he had been successful at hitting his first elk with his bow. The whole camp gathered to hear the story.

He shared with us all that had happened only an hour ago. In our camp, we have a rule. When game is hit, the hunt is over for all until that animal is retrieved. The three of us geared up for the track.

Jay thought he had made a good shot on this elk but was not absolutely sure. We had no other option but to wait. After three hours of waiting, we decided that we needed to get on this elk.

At 10 p.m., we hiked in and began tracking. When we got on the track, we noticed a few things right away. The blood was clear and clean, very scarce, and in small pin and pea size drops. The blood sign was distant; we had to track this elk mostly on prints.

### A Little Concerned

We were also a little concerned about the type of terrain his elk was covering. Jay's elk was climbing some fairly large hills and traveling at a good, consistent pace and stride over a long distance. His hoof alignment never varied. It was becoming obvious to us that his elk was not hit very well.

A nasty storm was brewing up. Fearing that what little sign we had would wash out, we continued. At 2 a.m. we came to a spot where the elk had bedded; unfortunately, you could see two hoof digs. We had kicked this elk. The wound had had time to clot and what little blood sign there had been no longer existed.

We spent the next hour looking for anything that would give us a clue as to where Jay's elk kicked off to. The area had been corrupted by so many prints that it became very difficult to track on prints alone. After some time we came up with a single speck of blood no bigger than the head of a needle on a leaf about 20 yards in one direction.

### Return To Camp

It was decided at this point the best option was to return to camp, letting the elk sit the rest of the night in spite of the storm. Pushing it more would be a mistake. Coming back in the morning with more bodies and running a grid search was a much better option. The rain was on us as we marked the last sign with flagging tape and started our hike out.

The storm was astonishing; Ma nature was at her best! I have never seen such a display of light and sound. There were many times we stood still, just looking up through the trees in amazement. We all communicated how small we felt and how our wives would be up all night worried to death about us. (They weren't.)

We got back to camp just before daybreak. After putting breakfast together, we gathered all the kids to hike in and help us a search. To make a long story short, we found that elk that afternoon after running a "grid search." We found him in one of those "feel-safe" places.

This was over 12 hours of tracking. There is a lot to be learned from this story.

### Terrain Covered

Pay attention to how your game reacts to its injury. As you are tracking your prey, watch where and how it travels. If your animal is jumping fences, climbing or traveling a long distance, mark the trail and back off for a while. This animal is not hurt seriously. You want an animal to bed down and stay down until it is immobilized



Mike Wallace

**STAY ON TRACK** — Mike Wallace, shown here with his youngest son Justin, gives insights into one of the most important aspects of hunting: After the shot, find your game. He says it is important to realize animals that are injured do die. "I think he will heal up and live" is just not the case in most situations. Wallace advises, "Be stubborn; you worked hard for that shot, and you need to stick in there until you find your game — for your benefit and the animal's."

### Stride And Pace

All animals have a stride and a pace. Any deviation of that stride or pace is evidence that it is starting to lose its battle to live. A running animal will leave deeper digs and a much different stride than a walking animal. The hoof placement of walking is very different from running. The distance between each hoof print of a healthy walking animal will be the same. As the animal begins to weaken, the space will become inconsistent

### Hoof Alignment

Just as pace and stride, the way its hooves line up as it walks or runs will be very consistent. When it becomes weak, this alignment will start to deviate.

### Blood

Watch the condition of the blood on your trail. Look for signs in the blood. Blood with numerous bubbles, foam or is frothy indicates some type of airway injury. An advanced airway injury (aside from the animal's pace and stride changing or staggering) will manifest itself with clear fluid in the blood.

You will also sometimes notice a second spot of blood that is now being coughed up. This will generally be bright red and frothy, some times with clear fluids in it. The blue, red color of arterial versus venial bleeds is a myth; blood will darken the older it gets.

An arterial bleed will be under pressure and will be high on trees and bushes or out away from its tracks and will leave a very obvious trail. A venial bleed, on the other hand, will be more of a dripping on the trail. The type of bleed is really not that important.

What is important is the amount of the bleed! An animal that has been shot in the gut will some times show evidences of little green flecks. You can tell which part of the body is injured by where the blood is in relation to its prints.

### Grid Search

When you run out of sign, run a grid search. Make a line of people spread out, following a bearing on a compass out to a specified distance. The grid then shifts and the line of searchers covers another grid back. Shift the line of hunters as many times as it takes to cover the area needed.

In the story above, Jay's elk had run about a third of a mile the first time before it had bedded down. We set a grid based on that distance.

and will do as little possible to seek safe shelter. Seriously wounded animals will most likely go downhill and climb as little as possible.

### Feel-Safe Places

Injured animals initially seek safety from whatever has injured it. If it is able to reach such a spot before it dies, it will bed down and in many cases, expire. There are some wounds that take days and sometimes weeks.

In this situation, you will find many places where the animal has bedded. Look on saddles on the opposite side of the first canyon it crosses. Some high-percentage places are the bottom of canyons and thickets.

We have found many animals on the side of a canyon no matter how small in drainage, within 50 yards of the top. Bottom line: Just look for where you would go if you were hurt and wanted to feel safe

### An Important Note

I think it is important to realize animals that are injured die! I hear too often the statement, "I think he will heal up and live. This is just not the case in most situations. Be stubborn; you worked hard for that shot, and you need to stick in there until you find your game."

And last, my kids still talk about that grid search to this day. It was a great experience for them as well as for the adults who look back at that track as one of the great ones.

We sent a huge message to those kids of the importance of doing all you can to retrieve the game that you shoot — for you, of course, but also for the wounded animal.

### Reaction To Specific Wounds

Game that is injured reacts to that specific injury. Animals that are mortally wounded will not go far before they either pile up or bed down. Game that is not hit well can travel a long distance before it loses enough vital fluids to make it feel weak enough to bed.

If an animal is not pushed, it generally will not exert its self — to conserve energy. It will be frightened, feeling weak

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## [GAME BAG]

# Public Open Houses On Elk, Pronghorn Hunt Recommendations

PHOENIX — The Arizona Game and Fish Department is hosting six open houses across the state to meet with constituents about developing the 2011 hunt recommendations for pronghorn antelope, elk and population-management hunts.

Prior to the open houses, in October, public forums were held at four of the six Game and Fish Department regional offices by wildlife biologists who are involved in the hunt-recommendation process.

Several regions will be providing details about elk and pronghorn antelope populations within their jurisdiction. Constituents interested in a particular Game Management Unit can attend the open house in that region to discuss the management direction.

"This is a great chance to see how the hunt guidelines shape the hunt recommendation packages," said Brian Wakeling, chief of game management for the department.

"The public forums [allowed] us to meet with sportsmen and discuss the direction for the recommendations based on survey data, harvest rates and the hunt guidelines. Regional personnel [discussed] whether we are considering changing harvest prescriptions and why."

Open house dates, times and locations are as follows:

- Tuesday, Nov. 23, 3-5 p.m. — Pinetop regional office, 2878 E. White Mountain Blvd.
- Tuesday, Nov. 23, 3-5 p.m. — Tucson

regional office, 555 N. Greasewood Road

- Monday, Nov. 29, 3-5 p.m. — Yuma regional office, 9140 E. 28th St.

- Tuesday, Nov. 30, 3-5 p.m. — Kingman regional office, 5325 N. Stockton Hill Road

- Thursday, Dec. 2, 6:30-8:30 p.m. — Flagstaff regional office, 3500 S. Lake Mary Road

- Thursday, Dec. 2, 3-5 p.m. — Mesa regional office, 7200 E. University Drive

A PDF version of the 2011 hunt recommendations for elk, pronghorn antelope, and population management hunts will be available for review at the Game and Fish Department's Web site beginning Saturday, Nov. 20 at [www.azgfd.gov/huntguidelines](http://www.azgfd.gov/huntguidelines).

Three times each year, the department makes recommendations to the commission regarding the management of game species for the annual hunting and trapping regulations (fall hunts, spring hunts, and elk and pronghorn hunts), which establish the seasons, dates, bag limits, open areas, and hunt permit-tag allocations based on the framework of the hunt guidelines set by the commission every two years.

These recommendations are in accordance with the hunt-guideline package, which is effective for hunts from the fall of 2010 through the spring 2012.

The final recommendations are anticipated to be presented to the Arizona Game and Fish Commission for consideration during its Dec. 3-4 meeting in Phoenix at the Game and Fish headquarters at 5000



**AZGFD HOSTS** — At press time, public forums had been held at four of the six Game and Fish Department regional offices, but there is still time to attend any one of six open houses throughout the state. The purpose of the meetings is to discuss development of the 2011 hunt recommendations for pronghorn antelope, elk, and population-management hunts. Also, a PDF version of these recommendations is scheduled to be available for review at the Game and Fish Department's Web site beginning Saturday, Nov. 20 at [www.azgfd.gov/huntguidelines](http://www.azgfd.gov/huntguidelines).

W. Carefree Highway, Phoenix (1.5 miles west of I-17). The agenda will be posted

at [www.azgfd.gov/commission](http://www.azgfd.gov/commission) under commission agenda



## Galley Proof

*From the Kitchen of The Washington Post*

### Grilled Pheasant Salad With Citrus Cream

**Cuisine:** American

**Course:** Salad

**Features:** Gluten-Free

**Summary:** This recipe calls for chilling and marinating, so plan ahead.

Cookbook authors John Ash and Sid Goldstein were inspired by a dish from chef Tim Anderson of Goodfellow's restaurant in Minneapolis, Minn. It calls for breasts only, but "Kitchen Stories" columnist Bonny Wolf used the whole pheasant. Legs and thighs take longer to cook than the breast meat, so put them on the grill about 3 to 4 minutes ahead.

You may have extra citrus cream, but that's a good thing; it's delicious. (8 servings)

#### Ingredients

**For the pheasant and marinade** —

- 3 cups apple cider
- 6 medium cloves garlic, crushed
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 3/4 cup freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 3 tablespoons kosher salt

4 to 5 pounds bone-in, skin-on pheasant, butterflied and cut into light and dark meat sections

Olive oil

Salt

**For the citrus cream** —

- 2 cups creme fraiche
- 3 cups apple cider
- Juice from 3 medium lemons
- 1 1/2 cups freshly squeezed orange juice

3 tablespoons vegetable oil

Salt

1 pound mixed salad greens, washed and dried

1 cup pecan halves, toasted (see note #8 near end of recipe)

#### Directions

1) For the pheasant and marinade: Combine the apple cider, garlic, sugar, lemon juice and salt in a small saucepan and mix thoroughly. Bring to a boil over high heat, then remove from the heat, transfer to a covered container and let cool. Refrigerate until chilled, then pour over the pheasant and marinate for 4 hours at room temperature.

2) Meanwhile, make the citrus cream: Place the creme fraiche in a medium non-reactive mixing bowl. Combine the apple cider and citrus juices in a medium

saucepan over medium-high heat. Cook for 20 to 30 minutes, until the liquids have reduced to slightly more than 1 cup. Let cool for at least 5 minutes, then stir the reduced juice into the creme fraiche. Cover and refrigerate until ready to serve.

3) When ready to cook, prepare the grill: If using a gas grill, heat it to medium-high. If using a charcoal grill, light the charcoal or wood briquettes; when the briquettes are ready, distribute them evenly under the cooking area for direct heat.

4) Remove the pheasant pieces from the marinade and pat dry with paper towels; strain and reserve the marinade. Rub the pheasant pieces with a generous amount of oil and sprinkle with salt.

5) Place on the grill, skin side down, and cook for 8 to 10 minutes, basting frequently with the reserved marinade. Turn the pheasant pieces over and cook for 8 to 10 minutes or until an instant-read thermometer inserted into the thickest part of the meat registers 165.

6) Divide the mixed salad greens among individual plates. Cut the pheasant on the bias into very thin slices (around the bones) and place on top of the greens.

7) Drizzle with the citrus cream and sprinkle with pecan halves.

8) Note: To toast nuts, place them in a dry skillet over medium-low heat for about 7 minutes, turning them to avoid burning, until they are fragrant and visibly darkened. Cool completely.

**Recipe Source:** Adapted from "American Game Cooking," by John Ash and Sid Goldstein (Aris Books, 1991).

### Venison Steak In Honey-Ginger Marinade

**Summary:** The meat draws much flavor from an overnight marinade with an Asian flair. The venison tastes best when grilled outdoors, but it can be cooked in a grill pan on the stovetop; be sure to pat the meat dry beforehand. The marinade would be good for a brisket, too. (4 to 6 servings)

#### Ingredients

- 1/4 cup honey

- 2 tablespoons ground ginger
- 3/4 cup vegetable oil
- 1/3 cup teriyaki sauce
- 2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tablespoon low-sodium soy sauce
- 1/4 cup red wine vinegar
- 1/4 cup red wine

1 scallion, white and light-green parts, coarsely chopped

6 medium cloves garlic, crushed

1 (1 1/2-pound) venison sirloin or flank steak, trimmed of excess fat and any silverskin

Freshly ground black pepper

Garlic powder (optional)

#### Directions

1) Combine the honey, ginger, oil, teriyaki sauce, Worcestershire sauce, soy sauce, vinegar, wine, chopped scallion and crushed garlic in a large resealable plastic food storage bag; mix well.

2) Season the venison lightly with pepper, then add it to the bag. Seal the bag and massage the marinade well into the meat. Refrigerate overnight, turning the bag occasionally.

3) Allow the meat and marinade to sit at room temperature for 1 hour before grilling.

4) Remove the venison from the bag and pat it dry with paper towels; reserve the marinade to make a sauce. Season lightly with black pepper and garlic powder, if desired.

5) When ready to cook, prepare the grill: If using a gas grill, heat it to medium-high. If using a charcoal grill, light the charcoal or wood briquettes; when the briquettes are ready, distribute them evenly under the cooking area for direct heat. Place the venison on the grill and cook for 5 to 6 minutes, then turn it over and cook for 4 to 5 minutes (for medium-rare, the chef's recommended degree of doneness).

6) Meanwhile, if desired, strain the marinade into a small saucepan and cook over medium-high heat for about 10 minutes or until it has reduced by at least half.

7) To serve, cut the steak against the grain into thin slices; pass the sauce at the table.

**Recipe Source:** Adapted from "After the Hunt: Louisiana's Authoritative Collection of Wild Game and Game Fish Cookery," by chef John D. Folse (self-published, 2007).







## Scoping Begins For Off-Road Vehicle Plan

PAGE, Ariz. — The National Park Service announced today the beginning of the public alternatives scoping period for an environmental-impact statement to assess the management of off-road vehicle (ORV) use at Glen Canyon National Recreation Area.

The ORV Vehicle Management Plan / Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will evaluate a range of alternatives associated with recreational ORV use at Glen Canyon and their environmental impacts. Currently, off-road driving occurs at several of Glen Canyon's accessible shorelines and at Lone Rock Beach.

Off-road driving in these locations allows the public to leave the designated road and drive to Lake Powell's shoreline to fish, camp, picnic, boat, or engage in other recreational activities. In addition, the EIS will evaluate the existing high-intensity ORV use at Lone Rock Beach Play Area, all-terrain vehicle travel on park roads, and ORV use at the Ferry Swale area.

Public-alternatives scoping is an integral step of the environmental planning process. Public scoping is used to identify



any other possible alternatives, issues, and areas of public interest that may require specific analysis in the environmental planning process.

Public scoping is an opportunity for the public to provide their suggestions, comments, and ideas regarding ORV management at Glen Canyon National Recreation Area.

The public is invited to submit ideas and proposals on ORV management. All comments must be received by Nov. 24. Comments may be submitted online at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/glca>. Comments may also be mailed to Superintendent, Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, Re: ORV Management Plan/EIS, P.O. Box 1507, Page, AZ 86040.

### A COLORFUL RV ROUTE

## 'Leaf Peepers' Follow The State Parks Trail

Every autumn as the days get shorter, trees produce spectacular displays of fall leaf colors. But, finding the best color often requires a trip on the scenic byways through Arizona's north country.

On the Colorado Plateau, the sycamores, maple, oak, cottonwood, elm, ash and sumac colors are peaking and fall foliage road trips are a favorite fall adventure.

### Head Up High

For "leaf peepers," right now is a good time to grab a jacket, hiking boots and camera and head up to higher elevations. As you start planning your trip, just remember to check the weather before you go because temperature, wind, and precipitation impact foliage. The State Parks have varying degrees of leaf colors, so calling the park before you leave will ensure the best spots to see the changing leaves.

If you head north on I-17, take the exit to Cottonwood and visit Dead Horse Ranch State Park for a horseback ride along the Verde River or fish in the lagoons. A picnic in the cottonwood grove will stir your soul with the music of the birds and leaves.

Following 89A, you'll find Red Rock State Park just up the road from Cottonwood. Red Rock State Park, a 286-acre nature preserve with winding trails lined with a lush green riparian habitat is just starting to primp with its the harvest gold, pumpkin orange and red leaves.

### Autumn In Full Color

The park has many hiking trips scheduled and special programs that you can work into your plans. Red Rock State Park with its red rock pinnacles frame the crimson sumacs and fuchsia maples as the brisk nights confirm the full onset of autumn along Oak Creek.

After you enjoy one of Sedona's fine lunch spots, head up Oak Creek Canyon and stop at Slide Rock State Park for a stroll along the creek or up Hospital Canyon to capture some incredible photographs of the rushing stream and smooth red plates of rock.

Following 89A north another 20 miles



**FALL FAVORITE** — Every autumn as the days get shorter, trees produce spectacular displays of fall leaf colors. But, finding the best color often requires a trip on the scenic byways through Arizona's north country. On the Colorado Plateau, the sycamores, maple, oak, cottonwood, elm, ash and sumac colors are peaking and fall foliage road trips are a favorite fall adventure.

and you are in downtown Flagstaff and can take a tour through Riordan Mansion State Historic Park. This 13,000-square-foot home with 40 rooms was built at the turn of the century when Flagstaff was a rough and rowdy lumber town (open 9 to 5 p.m. — closed Tues./Wed.)

trees are starting to show their color.

As you travel south just past the town of Pine, turn down into Tonto Natural Bridge State Park to discover the largest natural travertine bridge in the world at 183 feet high over a 400-foot long tunnel along the creek. Hike down to the bottom of the waterfalls that gently cascade over the bridge and surrounding rocks and take in the colors of the brilliant aspen, cottonwood and elder trees that enclose the park. Plan plenty of time to just sit on the rocks and enjoy this cavernous wonder before heading to Payson for a bite to eat and home (open 9 to 5 p.m. — closed Tues./Wed.).

### Consider Boyce Thompson

For those who can't get away now, consider going to Boyce Thompson Arboretum State Park, a 320-acre botanical garden, to savor the grove of burgundy Chinese pistachios, sycamores and varnish trees as they change through November and December. On Nov. 27-28 the park will have live music and events each day from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. and a "Zen of Fall Foliage" photo workshop.

At Boyce, the trees show their golds, orange and burgundy reds in mid-November, and peak color is typically around Thanksgiving weekend.

### How To Dry Leaves

Leaf peepers like to collect leaves, so here is how you do it. Dry them slowly in the microwave between paper towels press them in an old telephone book, or you can press them with wax paper with an iron and spray them with

glossy preservative from a craft store. Now you have your decorations for Thanksgiving tables for years to come and a gentle reminder of your escape to enjoy Arizona's amazing beauty.

For detailed information about becoming a State Parks volunteer call (602) 542-4174 (outside of the Phoenix metro area call toll-free [800] 285-3703) or visit [www.AZStateParks.com](http://www.AZStateParks.com) or Facebook/Twitter AZStateParks.

## Hopi Tribe Signs Agreement With State Homolovi Ruins State Historic Park will re-open.

KYKOTSMOVI, Ariz. — The Hopi Tribal Council approved a resolution that will keep the Homolovi Ruins State Historic Park opened, which will allow safeguard and protection of the cultural and religious site.

Resolution No. H-068-2010, sponsored by Chairman LeRoy N. Shingoitewa and endorsed by Norman Homan, was passed by the Council in October with a vote of 12-0. With the approved resolution, the Tribe entered into an intergovernmental agreement with the Arizona State Parks Board in an effort to assist with the operation and maintenance of the park — a move that will help preserve it.

The negotiated agreement allows the park to remain open, thanks to the Hopi Tribe's contribution, which will be used to employ park rangers and others working at the park. Funding for the park was designated by the Land Team in accordance with the agreement for the remainder of 2010 and is funded for Fiscal Year 2011.

Funding for future years will be subject to the Council's appropriations of additional funds.

According to the agreement, the park would be open and operated by State Parks for 12 months. There is an option to renew the agreement for two additional one-year periods. The tribe will provide \$175,000 to subsidize the park operations and the State Parks will retain fees. The park will be subject to quarterly reviews of its operation by the State Parks and the Hopi Tribe.

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# IT'S FOR THE BIRDS

Margie Allen, *Birding Editor*



## Arizona Offers Ultimate Bird-Watching

We start with Gambel's quail, black rail, Gila woodpecker.

"It's For The Birds" has no limits in Arizona. The number of species is incredible, and this column will, as space allows, introduce some of them to our readers. Those of you who are already bird-watching aficionados are welcome to send your notes and photos to editor@azbw.com.

As an introduction, we present the following list of birds within the southwest region of the state.

The following birds are based on the southern section of the Lower Colorado River Valley-LCRV, from Yuma County and La Paz County, to the Bill Williams River, (and by extension to Needles, California/Topock, Arizona). The Colorado River borders the higher elevation Mojave Desert to the northwest (Needles and Las Vegas), the Colorado Desert—(extension of Sonoran Desert) on the southwest and west, and the deserts of the Sonoran Desert to the east, the Yuma Desert, Lechuguilla Desert, and the Tule Desert (Arizona).

Bolded species are exclusive to the hottest deserts (SW Arizona, Baja, Califor-



Gambel's Quail

nia, N Mexico, and the Carrizo Plain, (Le Conte's Thrasher).

**Gambel's Quail**, *Callipepla gambelii*  
**Black Rail**, *Laterallus jamaicensis*  
SW Ariz Sonoran desert, but also other locales.

**Greater Roadrunner**, *Geococcyx californianus*, (Extensive range beyond the Sonoran Desert)

**Gila Woodpecker**, *Melanerpes uropygialis*

**Gilded Flicker**, *Colaptes chrysoides*  
**Vermilion Flycatcher**, *Pyrocephalus rubinus*

**Brown-crested Flycatcher**, *Myiarchus*

tions due to habitat loss. The largest populations in North America are in Florida and California.

Black Rails appear to be omnivorous, feeding primarily on small invertebrates but also on seeds of some marsh plants. They are preyed upon by many avian (including hawks, egrets, and herons) and mammalian (including foxes and cats)

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**Black-tailed Gnatcatcher**, *Poliophtila melanura*

Also ranges E and S into the Chihuahuan Desert, Texas and Mexico.

**Crissal Thrasher**, *Toxostoma crissale*, ranges S into Central Mexico

**Le Conte's Thrasher**, *Toxostoma lecontei*, Sonoran, and ranges into S Nevada—(locally: the Carrizo Plain, N of Los Angeles)

**Phainopepla**, *Phainopepla nitens*

Also ranges into California's San Joaquin Valley.

**Lucy's Warbler**, *Vermivora luciae*

Exclusive in Sonoran Desert, Summer Range, (includes the Colorado River Valley, the Grand Canyon, and S Nevada).

**Abert's Towhee**, *Pipilo aberti*, (—Sonoran Desert—)

**Black-throated Sparrow**, *Amphispiza bilineata*

Permanent breeding range, (but ranges E to Texas, and also Summer ranges to very S Oregon, very S Idaho).

**Yellow-headed Blackbird**, *Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus*

Permanent in S Lower Colorado River Valley—(LCRV).



Black Rail

predators and rely on the cover of thick marsh vegetation for protection. They are territorial and call loudly and frequently during the mating season.

The Black Rail is rarely seen and prefers running in the cover of the dense marsh vegetation to flying. It will often make its presence known, however, with its distinctive ki-ki-krr call or an aggressive, presumably territorial, growl. The best opportunity to see a Black Rail is during an extremely high tide when the birds are forced out of the coastal marshes into nearby fields and brush for cover. These high tides are dangerous time for Black Rails as they are quite vulnerable to predation outside the marsh.

This bird has sometimes been considered conspecific with the Peruvian Junin Rail (*L. tuerosi*) and the Galapagos Rail (*L. spilonotus*).

## Saguaro Cacti Home To Gila Woodpecker

The **Gila Woodpecker** (*Melanerpes uropygialis*) is a medium-sized woodpecker of the desert regions of the southwestern United States. They range through southeastern California, southern Nevada, Arizona, and New Mexico.

### Habitat

This woodpecker's habitat consists of low desert scrub typical of the Sonoran desert. They build nests in holes made in saguaro cacti or mesquite trees. Cavities excavated by these woodpeckers in saguaro cacti are later used by a variety of other species, including the Elf Owl. There, they typically lay 3-5 white eggs.

### Description

The back and wings of this bird are spotted and barred with a black and white zebra-like pattern. The neck, throat, belly and head are greyish-tan in color. The male has a small red cap on the top of the head. Females and juveniles are similar, but both lack the red cap of the adult male. White wing patches are prominent in

## ONE OF ARIZONA'S FAVORITES Gambel's Quail Fly Rarely, But Are Fast Walkers

The **Gambel's Quail**, *Callipepla gambelii*, is a small ground-dwelling bird in the New World quail family. It inhabits the desert regions of Arizona, California, Colorado, New Mexico, Nevada, Utah, Texas, and Sonora; also New Mexico-border Chihuahuan and the Colorado River region of Baja California. The Gambel's quail is named in honor of William Gambel, a 19th century naturalist and explorer of the Southwestern United States.

The *Callipepla gambelii* birds are easily recognized by their top knots and scaly plumage on their undersides. Gambel's quail have gray plumage on much of their bodies, and males have copper feathers on the top of their heads, black faces, and white stripes above their eyes. The bird's average length is 11 inches (30 cm) with a wingspan of 14-16 inches (35-40 cm). These birds have relatively short, rounded wings and long, featherless legs. Its diet consists primarily of plant matter and seeds.

Gambel's quail can be commonly confused with California Quail due to similar plumage. They can usually be distinguished by range, but when this does not suffice, California quail have a more scaly appearance and the black patch on the lower breast of the male Gambel's Quail is absent in the California Quail. The two species are sister taxa which diverged during the Late Pliocene or Early Pleistocene, 1 to 2 mya (Zink & Blackwell, 1998).

Gambel's quail primarily move about by walking, and can move surprisingly fast through brush and undergrowth. They are a non-migratory species and are rarely seen in flight. Any flight is usually short and explosive, with many rapid wingbeats followed by a slow glide to the ground.

In the late summer, fall and winter, the adults and immature young congregate into coveys of many birds. In the spring, Gambel's quail pair off for mating and become very aggressive toward other pairs. The chicks are decidedly more insectivorous than adults, gradually consuming more plant matter as they mature.

Gambel's quail are monogamous, and rarely breed in colonies. The female typically lays 10-15 eggs in a simple scrape concealed in vegetation, often at the base of a rock or tree. Incubation lasts from 21-24 days, usually performed by the female and rarely by the male. The chicks are precocial, leaving the nest with their parents within hours of hatching.



Gila Woodpecker

flight. The dark tail has white bars on the central tail feathers. They range from 8-10 in (20-25 cm) in length. This woodpecker's voice is a rolling churr sound. It also makes a yip yip yip sound and a kee-u, kee-u, kee-u sound. Its drum is long and steady.

### Trivia

The Gila woodpecker makes its home wherever one is available. It does seem to prefer houses and saguaro cacti.



Dave Fluette/Marine Max Arizona

**PROBLEM CHILD RULES** — Edie Knox, owner, and Daryl Ehrlich, driver, sealed the liquid with a new elapsed time (ET) record run of 3.597 and 251.593 miles per hour to thrill the sun-baked crowd at Firebird International Raceway in mid-November. The team set a new world record to win the Top Fuel Hydro title 2010.

## Problem Child Rules Firebird International Raceway Again By Setting New World Record

Owners close out Lucas Oil Drag Boat Series NAPA Auto Parts World Finals in style.

GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY, Ariz. — To say Eddie Knox and Daryl Ehrlich have a flair for the dramatic would be putting it mildly.

Knox, the owner, and Ehrlich, the driver, of the Top Fuel drag boat *Problem Child* could have taken it easy during the Top Fuel Hydro Final of the Lucas Oil Drag Boat Series NAPA Auto Parts World Finals. After all, their final round opponent — driver Mike Robbins and *Liquid Quicker*, was mechanically unable to make the final run.

A mere "breaking of the beam" — a

simple breeze down Firebird Lake would be all *Problem Child* would need to pick up its second consecutive win in drag-boat racing's premier event.

But that's not how *Problem Child* rolls. Instead, the duo of Knox and Ehrlich decided to go all out. In doing so, *Problem Child* set a new elapsed time (ET) record with a run of 3.597 and 251.593 miles per hour to thrill the sun-baked crowd.

"We ran it hard anyways for the crowd," Knox said. "It was a great crowd all weekend, and there was no way we were going to let them down."

When asked about recording his second NAPA World Finals win, Knox commented: "Our set-up seems to really like the density of the water here...It's really the best place there is in drag boat racing."





# ETHANOL 101

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT E10 / ETHANOL FUEL

### 4 MAIN PROBLEMS WITH E10 / ETHANOL FUEL

#### PROBLEM 1: DEBRIS IN FUEL

Gums rapidly form in the fuel tank and fuel delivery systems as ethanol fuels age. However, ethanol is also a powerful solvent that will strip away and disperse this build up back into the fuel as large, performance-robbing particles. This leads to clogged filters, injectors and carburetors.

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#### PROBLEM 2: EXCESSIVE WATER IN THE FUEL AND PHASE SEPARATION

Ethanol attracts moisture from the atmosphere, forming an ethanol/water solution mixed in the gasoline. E-10 fuel will naturally hold .5% water in suspension, but when water levels exceed this threshold, or when the fuel cools significantly, the water/ethanol mix drops out of suspension. This is phase separation. Excessive water in the fuel tank causes engines to run rough, stall, and can lead to internal damage to engine components. Ethanol provides a significant amount of the fuel's octane, so when the ethanol/water solution separates and drops to the bottom of the tank, the remaining fuel is left without enough octane to properly operate the engine. Additionally, the ethanol/water solution can become partially combustible, which can lead to engine damage.

**STAR TRON® SOLUTION:** Star Tron®'s enzyme formula reduces interfacial surface tension between fuel and water. The molecular cluster size is greatly reduced, allowing more water to be dispersed throughout the fuel. These sub-micron sized droplets are safely eliminated as the engine operates. Star Tron® treated fuel helps prevent phase separation by allowing more water to be burned off than with untreated fuel, drying out the tank and preventing water buildup.

#### PROBLEM 3: ETHANOL FUELS BREAK DOWN QUICKLY

Over a short period of time ethanol fuel begins to break down. As ethanol and other components evaporate, the fuel loses octane and becomes "stale." This causes hard starts, pinging and engine knock, which robs your engine of power and can cause damage.

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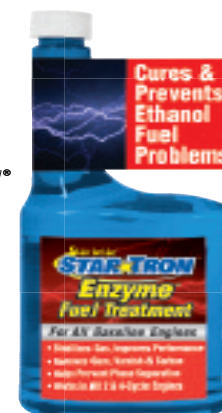
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## Start The New Year By Walkin' And Rollin'

From Meg Flynn  
Power Paws Assistance Dogs, Inc.

We invite you to participate in the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk 'n Roll Dog Walk and Silent Auction, Saturday, Jan. 29, 2011 at Tempe Town Lake! This is a 5k walk and wheelchair roll around the lake. We expect 2,000+ participants. Friendly dogs on leash are welcome to join in the fun!

Power Paws Assistance Dogs, Inc. is a non-profit organization, located in Scottsdale, Ariz. Our mission is to provide highly skilled assistance dogs to adults and children with disabilities, to provide education and continuing support for working assistance dog teams, and to be a resource in the community for people with disabilities.

Power Paws Assistance Dogs is able to meet this need through the use of highly skilled assistance dogs. We raise and train golden retrievers and Labrador retrievers in 90 commands to work with people with disabilities.

The approximate cost and value of an assistance dog when fully trained is \$20,000, but with the help of donations we are able to place dogs for a minimal \$5,000 fee.

The Walk 'n Roll Dog Walk and Silent Auction is our largest fundraiser of the year. We would be most grateful to you for contribution on any level—be it event sponsorship, monetary donation, silent auction item(s), and/or promotional products.

More information: [meg@azpowerpaws.org](http://meg@azpowerpaws.org).

### BASS

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tion of Collegiate Anglers. The events will be enhanced as a result of angler incentive programs provided by sponsors of the BoatUS Collegiate Bass Fishing Championship Series.

The host clubs will also receive promotional assistance through the Association of Collegiate Anglers through E-blasts, website exposure and press releases. Tournament results will also be featured on websites and social networking sites.

Camera teams from CarecoTV will be on hand to capture all the action at the event. Two hours of coverage will be featured on the BoatUS Collegiate Bass Fishing Championship television series, scheduled to air on VERSUS in the third quarter of 2011.

"We've created more possibilities than ever for collegiate bass anglers to receive exposure while pursuing their passion for competitive fishing. Over the coming months we'll announce more enhancements across the board as we expand this program to create even more opportunities for student anglers," said Wade Middleton, director, BoatUS Collegiate Bass Fishing Championship Series.

### DISEASE

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of this fish virus in other Arizona bass lakes.

Largemouth bass virus can cause fish mortality but does not always do so. "It is not precisely known what triggers the activation of the virus into a disease outbreak, but it has been associated with stress events such as high water temperatures," Young said. "The virus only affects largemouth bass, but other fish species can carry the virus as well as water itself."

In other locations around the country where the virus has been found, bass populations typically suffer one-time effects of the disease before infected waters returned to normal. The virus appears to diminish over time and not every infected fish becomes sick. For instance, only five lakes in Texas suffered fish kills even though the virus was found in 23 of the state's reservoirs. "Usually the number of infected fish that die is relatively low compared to the entire population, with the virus mostly affecting older and larger fish," said Young.

Young emphasized that even though testing results are only preliminary at this point, Game and Fish wanted to inform the

public immediately rather than waiting for full confirmation. "If the virus is present, there are precautions the public can take to help stop the spread of the virus," Young said. "As with all aquatic invasive species such as quagga mussels, public awareness and cooperation are critically important to preventing an even larger problem."

One preventive measure that's vital is that people absolutely avoid transporting live fish or water from one body of water to another.

"You might be spreading an unwanted disease or even introducing an unwanted organism that could prove deadly to a fishery or substantially alter a lake ecosystem," said Young. "Don't transport live fish caught from a lake – period. It's the wrong thing to do and it's unlawful."

It's also important to clean, dry and drain your boat before leaving any lake at any time, and to disinfect your boat or wait at least five days before launching your boat on another water. In fact, at several lakes it's now the law that you do so. This is extremely important as the bass virus can live for up to seven days in standing water.

### WINTER

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running at the same depth as fish are seen on the graph (60-80 feet).

#### Bass

Largemouth bass fishing is now at its fall peak. Largemouth are in the shallows and will take surface lures including buzz baits, spinner baits and a wide range of crankbaits. Of course plastic lures always work for bass with the best colors being

Other ways anglers and boaters can help stop the spread of invasive species:

- Dispose of all unused bait in the trash, never in the water.
- Never transfer live fish from one body of water to another.
- Rinse any mud and/or debris from equipment and wading gear.
- Drain any water from boats, bilge, bait buckets, and live wells before leaving the launch area. A mild mixture of bleach and water can be used to disinfect your equipment. Allow everything to air dry before moving to another body of water.
- Stage fishing tournaments in cooler weather to reduce stress on caught bass.
- Run aerators continuously while fish are in live wells if temperatures are over 70 degrees.
- If you see any dead or dying fish, please report your observation to Game and Fish.
- Educate others to follow these steps.

More information on largemouth bass virus is available at: [http://sports.espn.go.com/outdoors/bassmaster/news/story?page=b\\_conserv\\_lmby\\_factsheet](http://sports.espn.go.com/outdoors/bassmaster/news/story?page=b_conserv_lmby_factsheet)

greens, browns and black.

As water cools into the mid 50s, small-mouth feeding will lessen, making fishing challenging. Slow moving dropshot plastic lures (Yamamoto shad shaped worms) may be the best winter strategy for cold-water bass.



#### Crappie

An unexpected winter bonus is an exceptional crappie fishery in the far reaches of the San Juan, Escalante and Hite areas. Fish the thickest patches of submerged brush morning and evening where water depth is 8-25 feet. Work the bow of the boat right into the brushy thicket and then drop small plastic or hair jigs into the open spaces between tree limbs to find suspended crappie holding at 3-12 feet. Crappie do not leave the trees so fishing in the forest is a must. Take plenty of small jig heads to replace lost baits. Crappie will respond to lures fished under lights at night in the same thickets where they are found during the day. Remember the crappie limit is 10 so leave some of these fish to spawn again next spring.

#### Walleye

Walleye fishing will be decent all winter in the Hite area. Trolling and spooning will work, but the reliable standard is slow trolling with a bottom bouncer weight and night-crawler worm harness. Both stripers and walleye are often found near the mud line where the Colorado River plunges into the lake.

It will be an exciting winter to fish in cool water at magnificent Lake Powell.

**Editor's Note:** At press time, lake elevation was 3,634 and water temperature was 66-68F.

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# DOWNSTREAM Events Calendar Beginning Mid-Nov.

## Thanksgiving



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### BEYOND ARIZONA

**MARINA DEL REY TO PUERTO VALLARTA INTERNATIONAL RACE SERIES:** Starts Feb. 11 — Marina del Rey Yacht Club, Calif.

**YACHTFEST:** April 2011 — San Diego, 5TH Ave. Landing, behind Convention Center; [nwilson@marinegroupbw.com](mailto:nwilson@marinegroupbw.com), (619) 857-4000

**ANNUAL BIG BAY WHALE DAYS FESTIVAL:** Jan. 22 — at the Port Pavilion, San Diego; Maritime Museum of San Diego; (619) 234-9153,

### BOATING

**CHRISTMAS LIGHTED-BOAT PARADES:** Nov., Dec. — See page 1 of this issue.

**HAVASU POCKET CRUISERS:** Feb. 14 through 21 — London Bridge Resort and Convention Center; [www.sailhavasus.com](http://www.sailhavasus.com)

**LONDON BRIDGE THANKSGIVING REGATTA:** Nov. 26-27, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. — Lake Havasu City, Thompson Bay, [www.golakehavasus.com](http://www.golakehavasus.com)

**64TH ANNIVERSARY SCSC THANKSGIVING REGATTA:** Nov. 26-27, 7 a.m.-7 p.m. — Parker, Blue Water Resort, powerboat/speedboat racing on the Parker Strip/Colorado River, endurance, speed & circle racing, boats include Stock Outboards, Pro-Stock, Grand National (GN's), Cracker Box, Tunnel Lights and K-boats, (310) 318-4012 or [www.scsracing.com](http://www.scsracing.com) or [www.bluewaterfun.com](http://www.bluewaterfun.com)

**AZ YACHT CLUB MEETINGS:** Second Tuesday of every month 7 p.m. — 19th Tee, Rolling Hills Golf Course, 1415 N. Mill Ave., Tempe; [www.arizonayachtclub.org](http://www.arizonayachtclub.org)

**US SAILING/ RED CROSS ONLINE TRAINING:** Ongoing — To make it easier for prospective US SAILING-certified instructors to fulfill course requirements for CPR and First Aid certification, US SAILING teams up with the American Red Cross to provide an online training program. Participants can sign up by visiting [www.ussailing.org/training](http://www.ussailing.org/training) and clicking on the Red Cross Online Training button (towards the bottom of the page).

### CAMPING/RVING/AZ OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

For more information on camping, RVing, outdoor activities, see "Land Cruising" in each issue of AZBW/WOT.

**BECOMING AN OUTDOORS WOMAN:** Jan. 28-30 — Saguaro Lake Ranch, offers adventure and life skills, for women age 18 and older to learn to camp, fish, rappel, hike, cook with Dutch ovens, photograph wildlife & a range of outdoor recreation skills, "hawk talks" and nature hikes, \$420 includes meals, lodging and classes, 480-644-0077 or [www.azwildlife.org](http://www.azwildlife.org)

**ACACIA DAY-USE CLOSURE:** until Nov. 25 — Tonto National Forest, for construction; the parking lot, restroom facilities, picnic tables and ramadas will be closed during this project, which will include resurfacing the parking lot, adding more picnic tables, and installing retaining walls and stairs to protect the shore from excessive erosion. There will be no beach access at Acacia including the picnic area immediately adjacent to the east and all sites west of Acacia to Key Hole. Key Hole and the fishing pier will be closed. The designated "no boating" area will not be open to swimming.

**NEEDLE ROCK AREA CLOSED:** until January 2011 — Cave Creek Ranger District officials of the Tonto National Forest announced a construction project at the Needle Rock Recreation Area will finish in early January 2011; beach and campground closed; Forest Road 20 may have travel restrictions and delays.

**ARIZONA STATE PARKS' EVENTS:** Fall — See page 11 of this issue.

**COMMENTS ACCEPTED RE: OFF-ROAD VEHICLE MANAGEMENT:** by Nov. 30 — for Glen Canyon National Recreation Area; <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/glca>

**PROTECT-A-PARK:** Ongoing — Boaters, anglers, divers needed to adopt Lake Pleasant's shoreline areas and coves for regular litter removal in 2009; (602) 372-7460, ext. 200



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### CLASSES/SEMINARS

**AZGFD, CG AUXILIARY, PHOENIX POWER SQUADRON BOATING CLASSES:** Ongoing (See page 3 of this issue.)

### COMMUNITY

**MICHIGAN PROFESSOR ON SABATICAL:** Jan.-Aug. 2011 — Needs a room to rent while she does research at either ASU or U. of A. Contact [editor@azbw.com](mailto:editor@azbw.com) or call (480) 947-6219.

**40TH ANNUAL TOSTITOS FIESTA BOWL FOOTBALL CLASSIC:** Jan. 1 — University of Phoenix Stadium, top teams play, the champion of the Big 12 Conference and another one of the nation's top college football teams, 5:30 pm, (480) 350-0911 or [www.tostitosfiestabowl.com](http://www.tostitosfiestabowl.com)

**CHRISTMAS TREE-CUTTING TAGS:** for Nov. 20 through Dec. 25 — Big 5 Sporting Goods and other locations; see story on page 1.

**PHOENIX SISTER CITIES YOUTH PROGRAMS:** Dec. 3, 4 p.m. — a chance for Phoenix high school students to visit one of the nine sister cities next summer; (602) 534-7359.

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**WINTER TROUT FISHING DERBY:** Jan. 15 — Litchfield Park; Tierra Verde Lake Park, fish with more than 500 lbs of trout stocked in the lake, food, prizes and giveaways, license not required for this event, \$4 per pole 15 and under; \$6 per pole 16 and over, 7 am - 3 pm, [www.litchfield-park.org](http://www.litchfield-park.org)

**DAM TO DAM BLUEWATER BIG BASS CLASSIC:** Nov. 20, 7 a.m. — Parker, BlueWater Resort & Casino; \$1,000 1st prize, limited to the first 35 two-man teams to enter; weigh-in is a 3 p.m.; (928) 669-7035 or [www.bluewaterfun.com](http://www.bluewaterfun.com)

**ARIZONA FLYCASTERS CLUB MEETINGS:** Second Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. — Sunnyslope Community Center; <http://www.azflycasters.org>

**SRT BASS PHOENIX CHAPTER MEETINGS:** Ongoing — Shake, Rattle & Troll BASS Club; volunteers needed; new members (boaters and non-boaters), families, children, friends are welcome; (623) 221-7655

### HUNTING

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### SHOWS/EXPOS

**ARIZONA BOAT & RV OUTDOOR SPORTS EXPO:** Jan. 28-30 — Arizona State Fairgrounds; (800) 657-3050

**29TH ANNUAL SPORTS, VACATION & RV SHOW:** Jan. 22-30 — Quartzsite; RVs, supplies, camping equipment, food, entertainment, free, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., (928) 927-6888 or 800-969-5464 or [www.quartzsiteeventshow.com](http://www.quartzsiteeventshow.com)

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### Frozen:

**ARIZONA CUP CLASSIC STYLE SKI RACE:** Jan. 30 — Flagstaff Nordic Center, 15K classic (Diagonal-stride) style ski race, on the well groomed trails, race both classic and freestyle to compete for the Arizona Cup, Arizona's only cross country ski race series, 9 a.m., (928) 600-0385 or [www.FlagstaffNordicCenter.com](http://www.FlagstaffNordicCenter.com)

**KAHTOOLA SNOW-OR-NO SNOW-SHOE RACE:** Jan. 9 — Flagstaff Nordic Center, 1K fun run, 5K & 10K snowshoe races, if no snow, races will be held as a trail run, all day trail pass and goodie bag included, \$30-40, 9 a.m., (928) 600-0385 or [www.FlagstaffNordicCenter.com](http://www.FlagstaffNordicCenter.com)

**CURLING CONTINUES:** Fall League [shawntait@oyotescurling.com](mailto:shawntait@oyotescurling.com) + more Learn-To-Curl class: Dec. 18, 6:30-8:30 p.m.; [theskip@coyotescurling.com](mailto:theskip@coyotescurling.com).

### Swimming:

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### Water Skiing:

**41ST ANNUAL POLAR BEAR SKI RUN:** Jan. 8 — Lake Havasu City; Nautical Inn Beach, noon -4 p.m., (928) 486-4963 or [www.golakehavasus.com](http://www.golakehavasus.com)

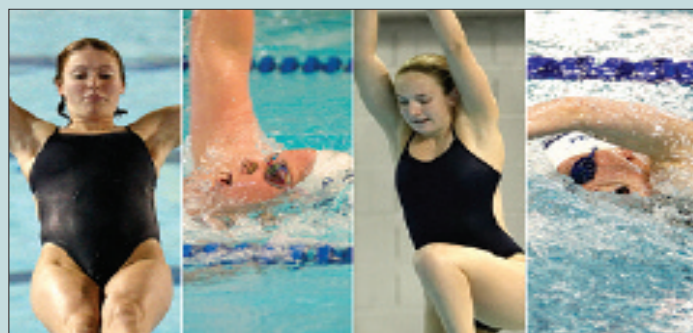
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**ADOBE MOUNTAIN WILDLIFE CENTER OPEN HOUSE:** Nov. 20-21 — at the center's facility.

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Pearl Harbor Day  
December 7



NAU Sports

### Swim, Dive Teams Ready For Season

Northern Arizona University swimming and diving jumped right into the 2010-11 season with three meets in its first week of competition starting with the University of Idaho Vandal Relays on Nov. 11, which the Lumberjacks won 136-106. NAU delivered their first victory of the season despite having to compete for the third time in three days. Against Washington State on the next day, NAU showcased its talent in the distance events. In addition to this week's competition, the Lumberjacks face a series of quality opponents throughout the 2010-11 season. NAU hosts Boise State and New Mexico on Nov. 20 and Dec. 4. The team travels to Arizona State on Dec. 18 and competes in the regular season with a pair of double duals against Arizona and Oregon State and UNLV and UC Santa Barbara.





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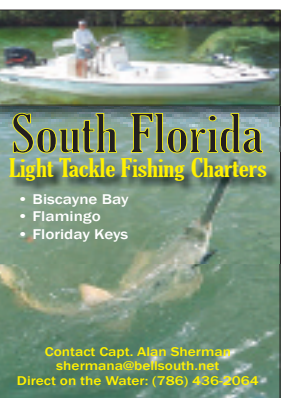
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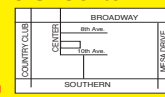
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## HOPÍ

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Cedric Kuwaninva (Sipaulovi), Hopi Council Representative and member of the Hopi Land Team, is thankful for the agreement.

"I am glad the park will re-open and it will be safeguarded and protected," Kuwaninva said. "It is because of the budget deficit, the Homolovi State Park was closed by the state.

"Hopi became worried that once again, the pot hunters could start desecrating our ancient homelands. Hopi began discussions with state park representatives, the City of Winslow and others to formulate a plan to keep the park open. Thus an agreement was developed and approved. As a result, we will protect and preserve our ancient homelands and share our cultural heritage."

Earlier this year, the state's budget deficit threatened funding for 19 of the state's 28 parks, including Homolovi Ruins State Historic Park. Various entities and municipalities throughout the state began efforts to help fund the operations of state parks across Arizona. It is estimated that the budget for the state parks was drastically reduced from \$28 million a few years ago to \$18 million in an effort by state lawmakers to tackle the budget deficit.

The re-opening day of the Homolovi Park has not been determined yet, according to Ellen Bilbrey with Arizona State Parks. Bilbrey said some parks are still closed, some are managed by others, and some operated in conjunction with others to stay open.

## POCKET

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Catalina Island, The Channel Islands, San Juan Islands of Washington State, The Gulf Islands of British Columbia and every coastal and inland waterway in between.

Actually, that's the beauty of the Pocket Cruisers. Because they are trailerable, they're easy to load behind the family car or truck and take to new places to explore. While it would take a large-sailboat owner weeks or more to sail from San Diego to Washington State to go explore the Puget Sound, Pocket Cruisers can just hook up the trailer and arrive in a few days to explore the far-away islands and waterways.

## New Places, New People

It is a wonderful way to explore beautiful new places only accessible by boat and, of course, to meet new people. Often the sailors journey in groups, making the social aspect of traveling by pocket cruiser a major attraction.

"You'll find that the majority of these folks are not sailing these 'pocket' boats because that's all they can afford," says Mulligan. "Rather, they enjoy that the boats open up an unlimited number of sailing venues to them by being able to travel down the highway at 65mph to get to a new cruising spot.

"Some enjoy the solitude of sailing solo and being the only boat anchored in a secluded cove or harbor, while others join up for organized group cruises that often extend for multiple weeks."

Sean and Mair Jo Mulligan, organizers of the event, started living the Pocket Cruiser lifestyle about five years ago. Through their summer travels with their boat *Dauntless* in tow, they've made friends up and down the West Coast.

Over the last five years, *Dauntless* has been seen sailing out of San Diego, Long Beach, Marina del Rey, Santa Catalina Island, The Channel Islands, Ventura, Washington's San Juan Islands, and the Canadian Gulf Islands.

In the winter, they keep *Dauntless* in a slip just minutes from home on Lake Havasu. "We kept meeting folks [who] were amazed that our sailing season at our home lake was actually winter time. Most folks we met had to cover their boats up for the winter and wait for spring to get in a good sail. That's where the idea for the winter time gathering in Arizona began."

## TAGS

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for forest users to purchase their Christmas tree tags at a number of locations throughout Arizona. In addition to select Big 5 locations, two new locations in the high country have been added: Western Drug in Springerville, and Creekside Steakhouse outside of Payson.

Tags are \$15 and the tree-cutting period is Nov. 20 through Dec. 24.

A total of 6,375 tree-cutting tags are being made available by five Arizona national forests.

Four of the forests will also be selling a limited number of tags over the counter. Please contact these forests directly for further information about their sales dates and office locations:

Forest	Available Tree Type	Number of Tags	Tel. Number
Apache-Sitgreaves	All Species Trees	4600	928-333-4301
Coconino	Fir Trees	250	928-527-3600
Kaibab	Pinon or Juniper	1000	928-635-5600
Prescott	All Species Trees	225	928-443-8000

Tonto National Forest program managers are contributing 300 tree-cutting permits for pinyon or juniper species to the vendor sales program, but will not be selling tags at their administrative offices.

## General Rules:

- Only one tree-cutting tag per household – for individual use only.
- This program is not available for churches, schools, companies, or other organizations.

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- Trees must be cut in designated cutting-area only.
- Trees may be cut between Nov. 20 and Dec. 24.
- Instructions will be provided in each tag information package and should be carefully read – and followed. T
- There are no refunds once a tag has been purchased.

For more information about the program, please visit the Apache-Sitgreaves NF webpage at [www.fs.fed.us/r3/asnf](http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/asnf) or call the Christmas Tree Hotline: (602) 225-5258.

## Big Five Sporting Goods Locations:

1. Avondale/Goodyear: 1623 North Dysart Road, Avondale AZ 85323

2. Flagstaff: 2775 Woodlands Village Blvd. Flagstaff AZ 86001
3. Glendale: 5490 West Bell Road, Suite A, Glendale AZ 85308
4. Kingman: 3320 N. Stockton Hill Road, Bldg. F, Kingman, AZ 86401
5. Mesa: 2930 N. Power Rd, Mesa, AZ 85215
6. Mesa/Gilbert: 1244 South Gilbert Road, Suite 101, Mesa AZ 85204
7. Mojave: 1835 Hwy 95, Bullhead

## PARADES

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people each year; Newport Harbor comes alive with decorations for the boat parade — homes, yachts, docks and whole landscapes are transformed into a magical holiday experience; Newport Beach begins its holiday decorations after Thanksgiving, and by the first of December, the harbor is richly illuminated with thousands of lights and hundreds of themed estates.

**Dec. 18 in Mission Bay:** This is a beautiful event within an equally beautiful setting; hosted by the Mission Bay Yacht Club; call (858) 488-0501 for more information.

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8. Phoenix/Paradise Valley: 4623 East Cactus Road, Phoenix AZ 85032
9. Phoenix/Bell Rd: 1919 West Bell Road, Phoenix AZ 85023
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## Payson:

Creekside Steakhouse, 1520 E. Christopher Creek Loop, Payson 85541, 928-478-4389 – [www.creeksidesteakhouse.com](http://www.creeksidesteakhouse.com) (for directions)



Creekside Steakhouse

## Springerville:

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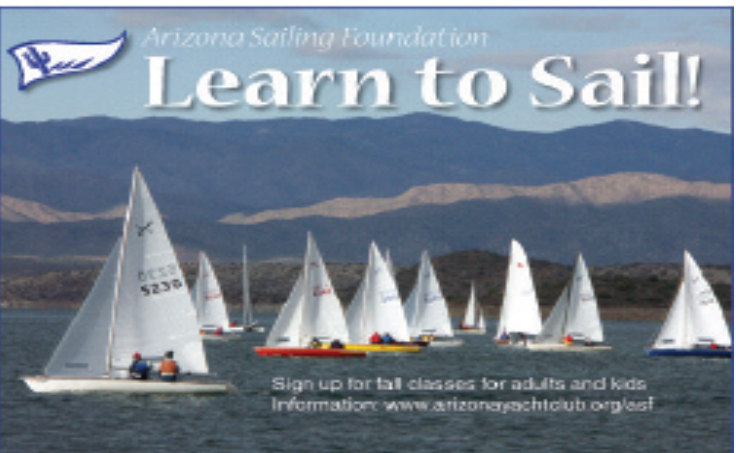


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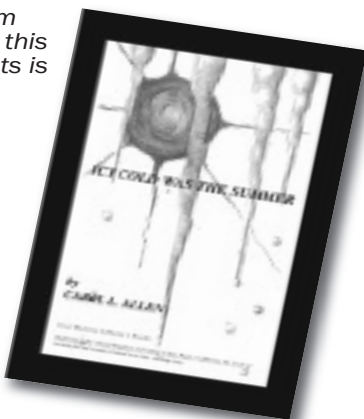
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Icy Cold Was the Summer is Carol Lemon Allen's first mystery novella; it was recognized at the 35th annual Local Authors Exhibit of the San Diego Public Library.

She has also published poetry, non-fiction related to adult education, and journalism features. Carol has a bachelor's degree in English and journalism from Washington State University and a master's degree in English from the University of Calgary, Canada.

In addition to her freelance writing, Carol has taught college writing and literature for many years, presently instructing distance-learning courses via the Internet for Arizona's Rio Salado College.

After her three daughters were grown and having lived most of her life in typical suburbia, Carol and her husband Jim moved to San Diego, California, where they lived for eight years (with their little



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white Persian cat "Popcorn") on their "houseboat" — a 1952 Chris-Craft tri cabin — in America's Cup Harbor.

During those eight years, Carol worked for The Log newspaper, and then was editor of Boating News, both California boating and fishing publications.

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