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# Lake Havasu Boat Tours Highlight Unique Geology

Elaine Cullen

There is no better way to enhance your appreciation of Lake Havasu and the lower



### ON THE COVER She 'Stars' On Lake Havasu

Todd Taylor, photographer, sent this colorful photo of the blue tour boat *Starship* that is in front of the London Bridge in Lake Havasu City,

The owner of the boat is Capt. Kenny Samp of Sunset Charter & Tour Co. in Lake Havasu City, Ariz. His contact number is (928) 727-3215.

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Colorado River than by experiencing one of six different guided boat tours. You can take in the natural, raw beauty of the desert and mountains. Learn about the pioneers who first settled these lands, as well as plants and animals that call the area home. Space is limited so call ahead for reservations.

### **Sunset Experience**

The "Sunset Experience" is offered daily all year by Sunset Charter and Tour Company (928-716-8687). This intimate threehour excursion aboard the Serenity Now seats only six passengers. It takes in popular rock formations such as Sleeping Indian and Balance Rock, and coves including Copper Canyon and Steamboat, with the unforgettable colors of sunset. \$50 per person.

### **Copper Canyon Tour**

The "Copper Canyon Tour" by Sunset Charter and Tour offers daily departures October to May, and weekend departures at other times. The one-hour tour for up to 18 people takes you south aboard *Kon Tiki* to one of the best known landmarks on the lake: Copper Canyon. Along the way you'll hear the history of Lake Havasu City and the London Bridge. \$20 per person; \$10 for children 12 and under.

### **Topock Gorge Experience**

On Tuesdays and Thursdays, Sunset Charter & Tour offers the "Topock Gorge Experience," a four-hour tour aboard the Serenity Now for up to six passengers. Traveling through Lake Havasu National Wildlife Refuge and majestic towering red rock canyon walls you also take in ancient Indian petroglyphs on Picture Rock and rock formations such as the Praying Indian. \$60 per per-



**AHOY, HAVASU** — There is no better way to enhance your appreciation of Lake Havasu and the lower Colorado River than by experiencing one of six different guided boat tours. You can take in the natural, raw beauty of the desert and mountains. Learn about the pioneers who first settled these lands, as well as plants and animals that call the area home. Space is limited so call ahead for reservations: 928-855-5655.

### **Seasonal Boat Tours**

During October through May, Bluewater Jet Boat Tours (928-855-7171) takes up to 49 passengers daily to the northern end of Topock Gorge aboard the Starship 2010. The tour highlights breathtaking views of the Havasu National Wildlife Refuge, jagged rock formations such as Devil's Elbow and 3,500-year-old Indian petroglyphs. Adults \$45; Seniors \$42; Children 6-12 \$25; Children 5 years and younger free.

The "Copper Canyon/Island Tour" offered by Sunset Charter & Tour (928-716-8687) every evening from June through

September is not to be missed. The 1.5 hour tour for up to 18 people aboard Kon Tiki visits Copper Canyon and includes a history of the London Bridge and Lake Havasu City, in addition to the reflective glow of colors on the water created by sunset and city lights. \$30 per person.

Last but not least. Sunset Charter & Tour offers a two-hour "Lighthouse Tour" for up to 18 people on Wednesdays during October through May aboard Kon Tiki. The tour provides a detailed history on over a dozen miniature lighthouses along the water's edge

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# OW BEFORE

# Update your boating safety knowledge

### **Alcohol and Drugs**

Arizona law prohibits anyone from operating a power-driven vessel while under the influence of alcohol or any drug that causes the person to be even slightly impaired. Alcohol ad drugs cause impaired balance, blurred vision, poor co-ordination, impaired judgment, and slower reac-tion time. Alcohol contributes to about one-third of all fatal boating accidents nationwide.

- A person is considered to be operating under A person is considered to be operating under the influence (OUI) of alcohol if he or she has an alcohol concentration of 0.08% or greater as determined by a test of his or her breath, blood, or urine. "Extreme OUI" is blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of 0.15%
- ◆ If convicted of OUI or "Extreme OUI," person can be fined up to \$2,500 and jailed for up to six months.
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August 2013				
Host	Date and Time	Location	Cost	Registration
Arizona Game and Fish Department	August 17 9 a.m 5 p.m.	Arizona Game and Fish Dept. Headquarters 5000 W. Carefree Hwy. Phoenix	\$0	(623) 236-7219
Arizona Game and Fish Department	August 17 8:30 a.m 5 p.m.	Mohave County Library 1770 McCulloch Blvd. Lake Havasu City	\$5 per family	(623) 236-7219
Arizona Game and Fish Department	August 27 & 29 6 p.m 10 p.m. (Must attend both)	Arizona Game and Fish Department Office 7200 E University Ave. Mesa	\$5 per family	(623) 236-7219

September2013				
Host	Date and Time	Location	Cost	Registration
Arizona Game and Fish Department	September 21 9 a.m 5 p.m.	Marine Max 1840 Ease Broadway Road Tempe	\$8	(623) 236-7219
Arizona Game and Fish Department	September 24 & 26 6 p.m 10 p.m. (Must attend both)	Arizona Game and Fish Department Office 7200 E University Ave. Mesa	\$5 per family	(623) 236-7219
Arizona Game and Fish Department	September 28 8:30 a.m 5 p.m.	Mohave County Library 1770 McCulloch Blvd. Lake Havasu City	\$5 per family	(623) 236-7219
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- ◆ Avoid congregating with other PWC operators near shore, which increases annoying noise levels
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- Avoid maneuvers that cause the engine exhaust to lift out of the water because that increases noise levels.
- Do not modify your engine exhaust system if it increases the noise. Improperly modified exhausts will not make your PWC faster and may raise the noise to an illegal level.

### **Environmental** Considerations

When operating your personal watercraft, consider the effect you may have on the environment.

- Make sure that the water you operate in is at least 30 inches deep. Riding in shallow water can cause bottom sediments or aquatic vegetation to be sucked into the pump, damaging your PWC and the environment.
- ◆ Do not dock or beach your PWC in reeds and grasses. This could damage fragile environments

- ◆ Take extra care when fueling your PWC in or near the water. Oil and gasoline spills are very detrimental to the aquatic environment. Fuel on land if possible.
- Never use your PWC to disturb, chase, or harass wildlife.

### Other PWC Considerations

- ◆ Remember that everyone on board a PWC must wear a life jacket (PFD), A high-impact life-jacket is recommended.
- ◆ Keep hands, feet, loose clothing, and hair away from the pump intake area. Before cleaning debris away from the pump intake, be sure to shut off the engine.
- Keep everyone clear of the steering nozzle unless the PWC is shut off. The water jet can cause sever injuries
- ◆ Frequently inspect your PWC's electrical systems (e.g., starter and engine gauge connections) to ensure there are potential for electrical spark. Gas fumes could collect in the engine compartment and an explosion could occur. After fueling, sniff the engine compartment for any evidence of
- Never exceed the manufacturer's recommended capacity for your PWC
- Know your limits, and ride according to your abilities.





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# Lucas Oil Drag Boat Racing Comes To Lake Havasu City



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### There'll be thunder on the river!

By Elaine Cullen

Lake Havasu City Convention & Visitors Bureau

Fast. Really fast. 260 MPH in 3.2 seconds. Fast.

That's what's in store for race fans when the Lucas Oil Drag Boat Racing Series (Lucas) stops in Lake Havasu City with the inaugural "Thunder on the River" Oct. 11-13, 2013. Rotary Park is the venue for this televised event and offers close-up race viewing second to none.

RV spots, shoreline EZ-Up sites and VIP cabanas are available, and boat mooring along the race course will be offered something not available at any other venue in the series.
"Test and Tune" is Friday from 10 am

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- 4 pm; Friday evening, drivers take their boats to upper McCulloch Blvd. for a "Show & Shine" (5 pm-9 pm). Racers will be on-hand for autographs and you can get an up-close look at these fabulous boats. Qualifying races are Saturday and finals are Sunday from 9am-5pm (both days).

These boats are very exciting to watch, and they definitely satisfy the need for speed for any racing enthusiast. Elaine Cullen, director of Event Marketing for the Lake Havasu City Convention & Visitors Bureau (LHCCVB) added, "The first time I saw the hydros I was in awe. My husband and I have a deck boat that tops out about 45 mph; I can't imagine the thrill of going 260 mph, especially in such a short distance!

"The LHCCVB is proud to be a sponsor of Thunder on the River; Lake Havasu has a history of boat racing – this is natural fit for our residents and visitors alike.

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and includes a stop at picturesque Copper Canyon. \$30 per person; \$15 children 12 and under.

For more tour information, consult the Lake Havasu City Convention & Visitors Bureau at www.golakehavasu.com and click on "Tours." Or, call for a Visitors Guide at 800-242-8278. The Lake Havasu Visitor Center is also open seven days a week and can be reached at 928-855-5655.

### **SAGUARO**

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Sailing. We're having trouble posting to the AYC Web site right now, but when that's sorted out, we'll have an explanation of this exciting, new class for juniors, to be sailed in the O'Pen Bic performance

In November, we'll present Introduction to Sailboat Racing, but you can sign up for the class right now.

Rob Gibbs is planning a Powerboat Safety class for the end of August. If you're interested, please contact him at robdasailor@gmail.com

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### George Tingom

Arizona Sailing Foundation President



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# Lake Havasu Marine Assn. Receives Federal Grant

'Sticker A Mussel' campaign is chosen as the Comprehensive Invasive Species Program at Lake Havasu.

Preventing the spread of aquatic invasive species throughout freshwater lakes and rivers of the western United States has



become a high priority, especially on the lower Colorado River — now infested with a growing population of quagga mussels

In response, the Lake Havasu Marine Association (LHMA), in cooperation with Arizona Game and Fish, developed and initiated a grass-roots plan, "Sticker A Mussel," to raise awareness and educate boaters on how to prevent contaminating other invasive species-free bodies of water

ing its sixth month, has been chosen one of seven proposals awarded funding by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service for continuing the fight against quagga mussels.

David Britton, Asst. Aquatic Nuisance Species coordinator, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service said, "The program developed by the LHMA will serve to reduce the number of potentially contaminated boats from moving further into Arizona and California waters, and from crossing state and tribal boundaries.

Their efforts to this end are to be commended. The LHMA is one of the first, and select-few, non-government, non-profit entities to be awarded such a grant in the four year history of this program."

Jim Salscheider, LHMA president and CEO commented, "Our mission is to educate boaters on using the proper protocol of 'clean, drain and dry' their boat after every

use.
"This is the only way to effectively pre-

vent moving invasive species from one body of water to another. Our "Sticker A Mussel" campaign is a visual reminder to boaters to follow those steps whenever they load their boat back on to the trailer.

Because the sticker is placed on the tongue of the trailer in plain view, it also has recognition value at California Agricultural Border Inspection Stations. 'Stickered' trailers let inspectors know that boaters have a basic knowledge of the quagga mussel problem and the importance of maintaining a contamination-free boat and trailer.

The recently awarded grant allows the LHMA to aggressively pursue a number of resources to promote and fully implement the campaign. "We have a specific plan in place to put the \$25,500 funding to good use," said Salscheider. We have already 'stickered' over 2,200 boats/trailers thanks to our LHMA volunteers and our 55 community business partners including boat boat dealers, manufacturers,

restaurants, and launch ramps in just these few months

"We've also printed and distributed over 25,000 invasive species informational 'rack cards' to boaters and have recently launched a wide reaching radio campaign that will deliver over a thousand 30 second messages by mid-September. All of this, supported by a strong Internet/social-media outreach and public relations effort, is certain to have a positive impact on boaters and help curtail the spread of quagga mussels which is vital to the future well being of an outstanding recreational boating resource like Lake

The LHMA is actively soliciting additional volunteers to assist in the "Sticker A Mussel" campaign. If you are able to donate a few hours of your time to support this cause, please contact the LHMA, Jim Salscheider, at (928) 208-2442 or e-mail to jims@lhmarineassn.com. "It's the right thing to do.'

THE CALM BEFORE THE STORM — As you see signs of a storm approaching. Rose and Ron Werner of the Power Squadron advise that you cut short your outing, or if it's too late, stay calm, find a secluded cove, and set anchor. They also strongly recommend boating-

### STORMY WEATHER

## Stay Calm; Take A Boating-Safety Course

By Ron / Rose Werner USPS

So we all plan to go out to the lake. We have listened to the weather forecast and storms are either not identified or often not discussed because the chance is low.

Even so, as you go about your day on the lake, be vigilant of those storm cells that are small and fast moving.

Most of the time you will have a great amount of wind blowing through the area prior to the rain.

If you were paying attention to the weather, then the best thing to do is to move to a sheltered cove and just wait for it to pass. This is a good time to just relax and see what the weather will bring.

Most of the time you can get your best adventures just after the storm. So make the bad weather work in your favor, and you will see things that you would not normally see.

If you happen to get caught in the storm, do not attempt to beat the storm because all you fellow boaters are thinking the same thing. This makes the ramps more congested, people irritated, and the stress levels intensify

If you see potential storm clouds forming in the horizon and the effects are not yet felt, this might be a better time to cut your outing short and head back to the marina early.

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### Words Of Wisdom: The Value Of A Free Sticker



By Capt. David Esparza

Many of you in the marine industry and boating world know me: mv name is David Esparza, and I

have been a member of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary for 19 years and a volunteer with the Arizona Game and Fish Department as boating safety instructor for 20 years. I have now worked at West Marine in Tempe for almost three years.

First, wear your life jacket when around water. Set the example for others to follow your fellow boaters, your children or



your guest upon vour boat.

Boating accidents can be horrible and deadly; approximately 800 people a year drown across the country just be-cause they are not wearing

jacket or personal flotation device (PFD). It's time for you to step up and be a leader wearing your life jacket; your lead could save a life, yours or someone's that you care about.

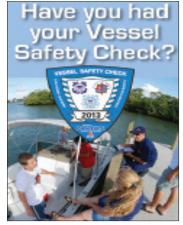
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The other item that I would like to dis-

cuss is the value of a free sticker. The sticker is called a Vessel Safety Check sticker.

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We go over all the safety aspects of your boat, including your trailer. We will teach you how to be a leader in boating safety, we will talk to you about boating safety classes, and we will teach you how to get insurance discounts by taking a class and getting your boat inspected.



Now with all of these things that I have stated, what value do you put on a free sticker? Once your boat is examined and passes the inspection, you will receive an official vessel safety check sticker that will be displayed proudly on your vessel.

And, if there is anything that you need for your boat, there will be an additional discount for any items that you would

See STICKER on page 15

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### RACING

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Todd Taylor, Joker's Wild Productions. is the logistics and event-planning manager for this event and is responsible for creating a venue that enables Lucas to safely run the races. "It's a logistical challenge with lots of moving parts. I'm very excited to work with Lucas Oil; the TV coverage and the economic benefits will be very positive for Lake Havasu City and introduce yet another type of boat racing to our community.3

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### **URBAN FISHING REPORT Exciting Improvements** Coming In January 2014

From AZGFD

Fishing for catfish is slow at all Urban Fishing waters statewide through the summer (no stocking period). For holdover catfish, try the larger lakes of more than 5 acres. Some catfish and bass are being caught, but it takes persistence and some good timing in the early morning and evening hours.

Fishing has been good all summer for the plentiful bluegill that frequent the shoreline areas in search of food. Mealworms fished on the bottom or a few feet under a bobber can catch sunfish through-out the day, especially if anglers use smaller bobbers and light line in the 2-4 pound range.

### **Weather Triggers**

Cloud cover, rain and falling temperatures from monsoon storms can trigger some good fishing periods. At Green Valley lakes (Payson), anglers are having some success for crappie, bluegill and bass, but the weeds are making fishing difficult.

Smaller nightcrawlers (Dillys) and mealworms are working 4-6 feet below a small bobber. At all lakes, remember to release any of the weed-eating white amur (grass carp) right away so they can go back out and munch on the weeds.

### **Stockings Resume**

Catfish stockings will resume at all Phoenix and Tucson area Urban waters the week of September 16-21. Green Valley Lakes stockings (trout) will resume in Oc-

Deliveries of 1.5- to 2-pound catfish are scheduled to restart the week of Sept. 16-21. During the hot summer months from June 25 through Sept. 15, there are no scheduled catfish stockings at Urban Fishing Program waters.

Once lake temperatures begin to drop entering the fall season, then catfish stockings can resume again.

Every fall, a total of four catfish stockings are scheduled at two-week intervals before fish stockings switch over to rainbow trout in mid-November. Fishing at Urban Program waters will remain slow throughout the summer.

Catfish can still be caught, especially from the larger lakes, with bluegill and bass providing some fun for patient an-

### **Changes Ahead**

The Urban Fishing Program is soon to be re-branded as the Community Fishing Program to reflect a broader commitment to providing close-to-home fishing at more communities across Arizona.
Also starting Jan. 1, 2014, will be new

fishing and hunting license options. To fish the newly renamed Community Fishing waters, anglers may purchase the \$24 Community Fishing License that includes two pole privileges (no need to buy a Two Pole stamp).

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# There's Still Some Exceptional Fishing

By Wayne Gustaveson

http://www.wavneswords.com

Lake surface temperature and lake level are declining. Cool monsoon weather pat-terns are adding much-needed rainwater to the lake but not enough to keep the lake from declining one foot per week. Fishing success for stripers on anchovy bait and smallmouth on plastic bait is still excep-

Adult stripers are holding at about 30 feet where cooler temperatures make life more pleasant for these hungry fish. Add some anchovy chum to the water and stripers come running. Best fishing spots are still the same with old favorites like the Dam, Power Plant intake, and steep walls in Padre Bay and Navajo Canyon.

Hungry striper schools can be found in just about any canyon lakewide by graphing along the canyon walls while looking for schools and/or just by chumming a few spots and waiting for fish to show up.

### **Some Fine Points**

Some fine points that make finding striper schools easier include fishing along the shade line created by a steep cliff wall. Another key point is to target a fractured cliff wall or small isolated rockslide along that shaded steep wall to find a fish holding spot. Stripers really like to hold near a smooth, slick rock hump at 30 feet with deep water all around.

Striper surface action has been confined to a few very quick boils very early in the morning or near sunset. Lack of abundant shad schools limits the amount of feeding that can be done in the warm surface layers by adult stripers.

Any surface action is now performed by juvenile stripers that are able to withstand prolonged exposure to warm water. There will be more surface action in the northern lake but boils are not common anywhere on the lake.

These shad-eating youngsters can be targeted by trolling or casting small swimbaits where surface disturbances are seen. Small baits are the key right now and perhaps a fly rod would be the best method of delivery

Look for isolated surface feeding fish and then work the fly where fish are seen. Some would call this flyfishing for striped

### **Finding Smallmouth**

Smallmouth bass are now found most often along steep cliff walls in the shade much like stripers. A rock pile or single boulder along the edge provides shade and structure in which bass hide and feed.

Drop shot rigged shad-shaped worms provide the best bait and presentation to get down to the bass zone. The 20-30 foot bottom contour is the prime fishing zone.

### **Largemouth Preferences**

Few game fish are very shallow now with the exception of largemouth bass. They prefer dense, leafy cover and have found that in the rich weed growth now found in the back of V-shaped sandy coves. Small forage fish are hiding in a few inches of water between the shore and the first set of weeds. Largemouth will be on the deep-water side of the weeds looking for the small fish.



A GOOD TIME FOR KIDS Blalock fished with her dad Travis near Buoy 25 where stripers are still eating bait like potato chips. They can't stop at just like potato chips. They can't stop at just one. Kids really like to catch fish on family outings and now is a great time to fish with cooler weather and fish just as hungry.

Water levels are declining but life goes on as fish do the best they can to find their niche in the sandy coves or in the depths of the steep lake that is still over 400 feet deep in the channels.

At press time, lake elevation was 3,593 and water temperature was 77-81F.





# **Tackle & Target**

# **Zona Gives Back**

### There's an awesome fishing trip awaiting.

Why does former pro angler and host of the Outdoor Channel's "Zona's Awe-some Fishing Show," Mark Zona, love his BoatUS Angler on-the-water and roadtowing membership?

- · He's locked keys in his truck at the launch ramp.
- He's had two flat tires on his boat trailer.
- · And "Mr. Out-of-Gas" came a-calling while out fishing on the lake. Each time, his BoatUS Angler member-

ship saved the day. So, to show his appreciation, the self-proclaimed knucklehead TV show host wants to take one lucky BoatUS Angler member on an "Awesome Fishing Trip."

### Showing A Little Love

"I've had on the road and on the water troubles in the past, but BoatUS Angler fixed that," said Zona. "I'd like to show a

little love, so I've decided to again take a BoatUS Angler member on a little slaunch quest," added Zona, referring to his prized smallmouth catch. "They'll see some of the Z-Train's secret monster smallie locations on my home waters of Michigan."

The fishing trip will take place in October, and the lucky winner will also receive a \$1,000.00 gift card for airfare and lodging, and a complimentary BoatUS Angler prize pack.

You can earn a chance to win by becoming a BoatUS Angler member at BoatUSAngler.com/zona.

All BoatUS Angler members as of Aug. 23, 2013 are automatically entered. By random drawing, three finalists then compete for the trip by telling BoatUS Angler why they should be selected to go fishing with Mark Zona.

Winner will be announced in September. To add more entries, BoatUS Angler members may sponsor new members. For complete details visit BoatUSAngler.com/

BoatUS Angler, a membership program from the nation's largest association of



'AWESOME' AWARD — Last year's Awesome trip winner, Travis Cockburn of Illinois, did well fishing with Zona, bagging countless "slaunches."

recreational boaters, offers services such as on-water towing for disabled fishing boats, roadside assistance for both boat trailers and tow vehicles, specialized fishing-boat insurance, the "Weigh-to-Win" tournament cash program and money-saving benefits. Visit BoatUSAngler.com for more.



### **URBAN FISHING FACTS** AZGFD Reveals Some Details For **Community Anglers**

### Did you know that -

- There are now a total of 21 lakes in the Program located in 11 cities. More lakes are expected to join the Program over the next few years.

  • The \$18.50 Class U (Urban) fish-
- ing license fee is the same price for non-residents too.
- The Class L, Super Conservation Fishing license is also valid at Program waters. This new combo license includes the Class A state fishing li-cense, the Class U urban fishing li-cense and the Trout Stamp packaged together for \$53, a savings of \$5 for Arizona residents. The Class L license for non-residents is an amazing deal at only \$63, a savings of more than 50 percent.
- The Class U Urban fishing license is valid at all 21 Urban Fishing Program lakes that are located in the Phoenix metropolitan area, as well as Tucson, Sahuarita and Payson.
  • Fish caught at all urban lakes are
- fun to catch and safe to eat.
- Over 62,000 urban anglers participated in fishing last year and accounted for over 680,000 angler
- Urban lakes are stocked with healthy catchable-sized fish every week from mid-September
- through the end of June.

   Over 230,000 pounds of fish are stocked annually in the urban lakes at a cost of more than \$650,000.
- Trout cost about \$2.75 per fish to stock and catfish cost about \$4.00 each. That is less than you would pay for fresh fish at the market.

  • The fish stocked in the urban
- lakes are not grown in state hatcheries, but purchased from private fish farmers. The channel catfish are being delivered all the way from fish farms in Arkansas, rainbow trout are grown and delivered from sources in Colorado and sunfish come from farms in Arkansas.
- · Last year, the department was involved in holding 162 fishing clinics, reaching over 17,000 people of all ages and capabilities.
- An Urban Fishing Program Bulletin is prepared every two weeks with stocking information, fishing reports and other timely updates. You can get your own copy of our Urban Fishing Bulletin sent directly to you every two weeks by e-mail. To sign up, go to online services and enter your e-mail address, and check the box for the Urban Fishing Bulletin.





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# **Tackle & Target**

## Additions Made To Aquatic Invasive Species Director's Orders Listings

The Arizona Game and Fish Department has added largemouth bass virus (LMB virus), whirling disease and all snakehead fish to the Director's Orders aquatic invasive species (AIS) list.

### LMB Virus

LMB virus, which primarily affects adult largemouth and smallmouth bass during the summertime, has been discovered at Lake Pleasant (Maricopa County Parks) and Bartlett, Saguaro, and Roosevelt lakes on the Tonto National Forest.

All watercraft users leaving those lakes will now be required by law to clean, drain and dry their boats, which includes pulling the boat plug when exiting (A.R.S. §17-255). This already was a requirement by law at Lake Pleasant.

### Whirling Disease

Whirling disease, meanwhile, has been confirmed at Lees Ferry, a trophy trout fishery just below Lake Powell on the Colorado River.

### Snakehead Fish

Snakehead fish have not yet been documented in Arizona.

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THE BEST IN YEARS! — Wendy Tochihara jumps on the exotic train with an opah. 2013 is delivering some of the best fishing we had from the border to the tip of Baja and all Baja veterans are saying the same thing, "Best fishing in years!" Visit the Baja-on-the-Fly report at http://www.bajafly.com/report/Bajafly.report.htm (If asked for -- user name: bajainfo and password: rancho.)



# HUNTING NEWS FROM AZGFD

# **Draw Results And Leftover Tags For** Fall Hunts Ăvailable

The wait is over for eager hunters who applied for the upcoming season. Draw results for Arizona's 2013 fall deer, turkey, javelina, bighorn sheep, buffalo and pheasant hunts are now available online.

To view results, go to https://az.gov/app/huntdraw/home.xhtml and scroll scroll down to the "View results and bonus points" link. Draw results are also available by phone at 602 942-3000; select option two on the automated menu.

### Second Chance

Hunters who submitted applications for a fall hunt, but were not drawn, have a second chance to get a hunt permit-tag. Approximately 4,000 leftover tags for Arizona's fall hunts were made available for purchase in person beginning July 29 on a first-come, first-served basis at all department offices. Leftover tags are available by mail along with a completed application. A list of leftover tags is posted online. For details visit www.azgfd.

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Or, to fish all waters of the state, anglers may purchase the \$37 General Fishing License that includes trout stamp, two pole and Community Fishing privileges. The Trout Stamp and Two Pole Stamps are being eliminated and these privileges included in all future fishing and combo hunt/fish licenses.

Another improvement is that all licenses will be valid for 365 days from date of purchase, rather than good only during the calendar year.

Beginning in 2014, there will be 15

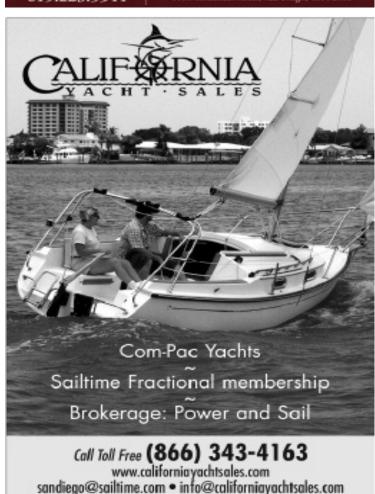
more locations added to the Community Fishing program representing a 70-percent increase to 36 total waters.

### New Locations

Four of these new locations are in the Yuma area: Fortuna, Redondo, Yuma West Wetlands and Council Park lakes. The other 11 fishing locations are in the greater Phoenix area and include newly built 5-acre lakes in Peoria and Maricopa, Tempe's 220-acre Town Lake, and eight other existing park ponds in Gilbert, Glendale, Maricopa, Phoenix and Scotts-

More information on these exciting improvements to the Urban Fishing Program will be provided in the months





Too Many Tortoises, Not Enough Homes

### Desert tortoises make easy nontraditional pets.

Are you fascinated by reptiles? Do you have a yard big enough for a dog, but no time to take one for daily walks? Is someone in your family allergic to pets with fur or feathers? If so, consider adopting a desert tortoise through the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

Desert tortoises offer a unique alternative to more traditional family pets, and can teach many of the same life lessons to children, including responsibility, compassion and commitment.

"We cannot stress enough how detrimental removing tortoises from the wild

and backyard breeding are to the species,' said Cristina Jones, Arizona Game and Fish's turtle program coordinator. "This iconic desert species has become overpopulated in captivity and there aren't enough homes for them.

Desert tortoises are native to the southwestern desert and can live up to 100 years. They grow to be about 15 pounds and hibernate in the winter months. Desert tortoises eat plant material, including grasses and wildflowers.

Once captive, desert tortoises cannot be released back into the wild because captive animals can pass an upper respiratory disease to wild tortoise populations. It is also illegal and harmful to desert tortoise populations to collect tortoises from the

Those interested in adopting a tortoise will need to have an enclosed area in their yard free from potential hazards, such as a dog or pool. The enclosed area must in-clude a burrow for the tortoise to escape Arizona's extreme temperatures

Tortoises are only available for adoption to residents living within the species native range, which includes the Phoenix, Bullhead City, Kingman, Lake Havasu, Tucson, and Yuma areas. Desert tortoises cannot survive the severe winters that occur in the northeastern and southeastern regions of the state.

Those interested in sharing their yard tortoise should www.azgfd.gov/tortoise for more information on feeding, caring for, and creating a habitat for a tortoise.

desert tortoise adoption packet, which includes the adoption application, can also be downloaded at this site. There is a limit of one tortoise per household

### **Helping Desert Tortoises** The Right Way During This Monsoon Season

Monsoon season brings one of the southwest desert's most iconic creatures out of their burrows and out-and-about across the state. Desert tortoises are now in their most active season and more likely to be seen by the public.

The Arizona Game and Fish Department asks the public to follow these important guidelines if they encounter a desert tor-

- · Do not remove a tortoise from its habitat. Taking a wild tortoise home is illegal in Arizona. Additionally, most tortoises stay in the same small area their entire lives, so if you move a tortoise to a new location it will not know where to find food and shel-
- ter and will likely die.

   Do not release a captive tortoise into the wild. Captive desert tortoises cannot be released into the wild because they can pass diseases to wild populations and displace wild tortoises. It is also illegal to release captive animals into the wild.
- Keep dogs away from both captive and wild desert tortoises. Even the most gentle dog can pose a serious threat to a tortoise.
- · If you come across a desert tortoise crossing a busy road, and if traffic safely permits it, pick the tortoise up and gently move it to the other side of the road. Carry the animal so that it is level to the ground. and move it in the same direction it was
- If you encounter a desert tortoise, Game and Fish biologists want to know. Please e-mail the details, and a photo if you can take one without handling the tortoise, to turtlesproject@azgfd.gov.

  There are two species of desert tortoise:

the threatened Mojave desert tortoise found north and west of the Colorado River and the Sonoran desert tortoise, which is protected by Game and Fish.

Tortoise conservation in Arizona is sup-ported by the Heritage Fund, a voter-passed initiative that was started in 1990 to further wildlife conservation efforts in the state through Arizona Lottery ticket sales

### Honor Your Fellow Wildlife Conservationists

### There's still time to make reservations, but it's short.

Make plans now to attend the 16th annual Arizona Outdoor Hall of Fame Banquet on Saturday, Aug. 17, at the Chaparral Suites Scottsdale, 5001 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85250.

This year's inductees into the Outdoor Hall of Fame include Sandra S. Froman (former president of the National Rifle Association and a former president of Wildlife for Tomorrow); William D. "Don" Martin (Kingman area wildlife outfitter and long-time conservationist and wildlife advocate); Walter Shontz (originator of the first "Take a Kid Fishing" event in Parker — and possibly the U.S and a long-time volunteer); Dale L. Slocum (legendary outdoor columnist and outdoor radio show host in Flagstaff. At Governor McFarland's request, he rewrote the "Game Laws" into the Arizona Revised Statutes version that largely are in existence today); and Arizona Chapter of Safari Club International.

The social hour, which includes a silent auction, begins at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m., followed by the induction ceremony. Musical entertainment will be provided by the Back Porch Bandits.



Individual tickets are \$70. A table for 10 is \$700. A table of ten with a full-page ad in the full-color banquet brochure is

To purchase tickets online, go to the Wildlife for Tomorrow Foundation's webat www.wildlifefortomorrow.org/ Halloffame.html and follow the instructions. You may also call Duane Wellnitz (WFT Board Member and Ticket Chairman) at (480) 747-0611.

The Arizona Outdoor Hall of Fame was developed in 1998 by the Wildlife for To-morrow Foundation to honor those who have made significant contributions to Arizona's wildlife, the welfare of its natural resources, and the state's outdoor heritage.

Wildlife for Tomorrow was created in 1990 to enhance the management, protection and enjoyment of Arizona's fish and wildlife resources. The foundation is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that works closely with the Arizona Game and Fish Department to provide additional support for projects and education activities where traditional resources are not adequate.

For more information www.wildlifefortomorrow.org. information,





# Land Cruising 🗨

# Lake Pleasant Regional Park Shares Proposed Trails Master Plan

Join Maricopa County's Parks and Recreation Department on Thursday, Sept. 12 at 6 p.m. for an open house at Lake Pleasant Regional Park's Operations Building as staff share the final draft of the parks Trails Master Plan.

"As a fourth-generation Arizonan who has lived in the West Valley for many years, I'm really excited about this project! Currently, the park has two trails, Pipeline Canyon and Roadrunner. Combined, these trails are 2.8-miles in length. However, the department is proposing the construction of 17 new trails which will give the park 25.15-miles of multi-use trails," said Maricopa County District 4 Supervisor Clint

### A Priority: Expanding Services

Over the years, the focus for the park



has been water-based activities," said R.J. Cardin, Maricopa County Parks and Recreation Department Director. With

Maricopa County's population increasing by more than 24 percent over the past 10 years, the department agreed it was imperative to expand services at the park. "By developing the trail system in the park, we're providing residents with a venue to not only boat and fish but also hike, mountain bike, horseback ride and connect with nature with the lake as a scenic backdrop,' added Cardin.

### Link To Maricopa Trail

The proposed project contains a mixture of new and connector trails that will also link the park to the Maricopa Trail. "Linking the Maricopa Trail to the park allows visitors continuous travel from Cave Creek Regional Park to White Tank Mountain Regional Park.

"It's thrilling to think that those using

the trail will now be able to travel close to 60-miles on a county trail," said Maricopa County Board of Supervisors' Chairman Andy Kunasek, District 3.

### Some To Close

Along with the development of a designated trail system comes the need to close some unauthorized routes. "When we developed the trail plan, we did take unauthorized routes into consideration. There are routes that we will be able to use once we bring them up to our trails standards.

However, other areas will need to be closed for safety or conservation concerns and the park will take steps to restore these areas," said Cardin.

For more information on the project, at-

See PLAN on page 12

### County Parks Bring Back Free Camping Offer

Beginning Oct. 1, Maricopa County's Parks and Recreation Department will bring back the Buy One, Get One campaign! The campaign allows park visitors who pay the camping fee for one night, or more, at a desert mountain county park to receive one night of equal or lesser value for free at any of the county's desert parks

during that same stay.

"This is the fifth year the department has offered the *Buy One*, *Get One* promotion and it is by far, one of the Parks Department's most popular campaigns! Not only does it help them kick-off the busy camping season, it also provides the department the opportunity to say 'thank you' to loyal local customers by offering a perk for camping in a county park," said Chairman Andy Kunasek, Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, District 3.

### Between Oct. 1-Nov. 11

To receive the free night, park visitors must contact the Parks Call Center at (602) 506-2930 Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. The promotion will be applied to stays booked between Oct. 1 and Nov. 11. Reservations booked online or before Aug. 7 are not eligible.

"While this promotion is not valid for reservations made online, I'd like to remind park visitors that they can still book their spring visit up to six months prior to arrival via the reservation system. The system allows visitors to take virtual tours of the campsites, view campsite specifications and reserve their favorite spots from the comfort of their home computers and laptops. Online reservations may be made at www.maricopacountyparks.org," said R.J. Cardin, Maricopa County Parks and Recreation Director.

### **Participating Parks**

Cave Creek Regional Park. Located north of Phoenix, this park offers the illusion of being miles away from civilization. The campground has 38 individual developed campsites.

Estrella Mountain Regional Park. Located near the meeting of the Gila and Agua Fria Rivers in the southwest Valley, the park includes a large wetland area. The park also offers seven developed camp-

McDowell Mountain Regional Park. Nestled in the lower Verde River basin, this park is a desert jewel in the northeast Valley. This park has 76 developed campsites that are perfect for RV or tent camp-

Usery Mountain Regional Park. Located on the Valley's east side, this park is located at the western end of the Goldfield Mountains, adjacent to the Tonto National Forest. The park offers 74 individual developed campsites which can accommodate either an RV or tent camping.

White Tank Mountain Regional Park. At nearly 30,000 acres, this is the largest regional park in Maricopa County. Most of the park is made up of the rugged and beautiful White Tank Mountains on the Valleys west side. The park offers 40

individual semi-developed campsites. At approximately 120,000 acres, Maricopa County is home to one of the largest regional park system in the United States. The parks are located throughout the county and are all within a 45-minute drive from downtown Phoenix.

Some restrictions do apply. To learn more about this offer or a County park, visit www.maricopa.gov/parks or phone





### Restrictions

Visitors interested in taking advantage of this offer must phone the Parks Call Center at (602) 506-2930 Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Reservations may also be made at the park level using the same criteria.

Offer not valid for group campground reservations or unit fees

Limit of one free night per family,

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# **RV/Land Cruising**

RED ROCK STATE PARK'S ACTIVITIES

# In Late Summer, Hike, Take Bird Walks, More

The summer season is winding down, but there are still many opportunities for hiking, walking and lectures in August and September at Red Rock State Park. The park offers guided hikes and bird walks as well as the opportunity to explore on your

Moonlight Hike: On Tuesday, Aug. 20 and Thursday, Sept. 19, join us for a Moonlight Hike. This is among the most popular interpretive hikes at the Park. Led by a naturalist, it gives hikers the rare opportunity to enjoy the sunset and moonrise from an overlook and return by the light of the moon, while also having the chance to learn about Sedona and its surrounding

Verde Valley and park history, as well



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as archaeology, geology, botany and riparian wildlife information are also offered by a knowledgeable guide. The hike lasts 2 to 2.5 hours and covers a distance of approx-

imately two miles.

Rangers ask hikers to arrive approximately 30 minutes before starting time to ensure participation. No late arrivals are allowed and reservations are required by calling (928) 282-6907. At that time, the arrival time will be given.

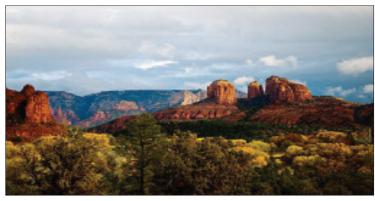
Wear suitable clothing and shoes (pre-pare for cool nights) and bring water, a flashlight and insect spray. A \$5 per person program fee is charged at the time of the reservation in addition to the Park En-

Jack and Helen Frye Story/House of Apache Fires: On Sunday, Sept. 8 at 2 p.m. Randall Reynolds will present "The Jack and Helen Frye Story & the House of Apache Fires." This program will feature information about Jack and Helen's history and their time as a couple.

This will include the development and building of the dream home that became known as the House of Apache Fires. In 1941, Jack flew his private plane over the property that is now Red Rock State Park. He and Helen were awed by the beauty and became determined to build in the area. Sedona had no airport and the area was so rugged that the ranch they developed could only be seen from the air.

The presentation will be followed with an opportunity to ask questions about Jack and Helen and the House of Apache Fires, which still sits on the property at Red Rock State Park. Reynolds has traveled the Western United States extensively researching the Jack and Helen Frye story.

Reservations are required because space is limited. Call the Park at (928) 282-6907 to ensure a seat at this educational and enjoyable program.



**Red Rock State Park** 

Geology Hike: On Sunday, Sept. 15 at 2 n.m., the return of fall also means the opportunity to join a guided hike that focuses on the geology of the area. Hike leader Chris Weld will help you to learn why the rocks are red, where they come from, where they are going, and more.

This hike includes the Eagle's Nest Trail for a great view of the Park and surrounding area. More than a guided hike, it's an interpretive experience for beginners as well as advanced geologists. The hike lasts 2 to 2.5 hours and has a 250 feet elevation climb. Bring water and wear suitable shoes

Bird Watching: On Wednesday and Saturday mornings (in August at 7 a.m. and in September at 8 a.m.), bird enthusiasts will join a naturalist for a guided walk directed at beginning and advanced birders. Bring your own binoculars; only a limited number are available for loan

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Visitors will see many birds that make the park their home. The Hummingbird Patio is an excellent spot to start your tour. Another good viewing point is the visitor center roof. Most year-round birds are found in the riparian area next to Oak Creek or along the field behind the visitor center.

The Audubon Society has designated Red Rock State Park as an Important Birding Area because of the many species who live or visit here.

Nature Walk: Daily at 10 a.m., visitors can join a naturalist on a guided nature walk that lasts 1.5 to 2 hours and will introduce them to the riparian ecosystem of Oak Creek and other aspects of the park. Plants, wildlife, geology, history and

archaeology are some of the subjects that may be discussed. Guided hikes are a

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household and/or group in a seven day period (Monday through Sunday).

Rain checks will not be issued if space is not available.

Credits will not be issued to individuals who reserved campsites prior to August 7, 2013 for the October 1 through November 11, 2013 timeframe. However, this offer is valid on new reservations if individuals decide to extend their stay to take advantage of the promotion.

Offer not valid at Lake Pleasant Regional Park.

Offer is only valid for camping stays between Oct. 1 through Nov.11,

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tend the open house at the park on Thursday, Sept. 12 at 6 p.m. or visit http://www. maricopa.gov/parks/lake\_pleasant/LP-TrailsPlan.aspx. Lake Pleasant Regional Park is located at 41835 N. Castle Hot Springs Rd., Morristown, AZ 85342. You can also call (602) 506-1114.

### **About Maricopa** County Parks & Rec

About the Maricopa County Parks & Recreation Department: From hiking on a barrier-free trail, to horseback riding along a creek, Maricopa County Parks offer visitors the best of the Sonoran Desert.

At approximately 120,000 acres, Maricopa County is home to one of the largest regional park systems in the United States. All trails within the Maricopa County Park System are for non-motorized use only.

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# BoatUS: Tips On Boating With Dogs

Some dogs were born for the water, others less so. The key to <u>boating with dogs</u>, is taking it slow and making safety #1.

### Before You Go

Get a well-fitting life jacket and have the dog wear it a few times around the home before they get on a boat. Any pet life jacket should have a handle to easily lift the animal out of the water. Check



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Have a special ID tag with the name of the boat, marina, slip number and cellphone number on it just in case. If the dog gets lost, it's a lot easier for the person who finds them to get them back to you quickly.

If you'll be going to Canada or Mexico, carry current rabies vaccine and other shot documentation; dog tags are not acceptable proof of immunizations. Also, check with customs.

### **Getting Started**

Familiarize the dog with the boat slowly. Ideally, bring the dog to the boat

for the first time without leaving the dock, and give him a chance to sniff around and get his sea legs. Start the engine so he gets used to the sound.

Plan for falls overboard from the boat or dock. If the dog falls or jumps overboard underway, you may be able to circle back and retrieve Fido just like a fallen water skiier, pulling up slowly, cutting the engine and luring the dog to the swim platform with a treat. If you don't have a swim platform, smaller dogs may be lifted over the side by their life jacket handle, but bigger dogs may require a different solution. If a dog falls off a dock, know that seawall bulkheads may prevent the animal from a self-rescue.

Bring plenty of water and make sure there's some place the dog can get out of the sun and stay cool. Know the symptoms of dog heat stroke. While seasick dogs may vomit, that's also one sign of heat stroke. Rapid, loud or difficulty breathing, extreme thirst, thick saliva, disorientation and a bright red tongue and pale gums are others.

If you're going to be out for more than a few hours, plan on how your dog will relieve herself, and pick up afterwards. If you see where someone else didn't pick up, do it for them. You don't want to give any opportunity to show why dogs shouldn't be allowed in the marina; your boating friends will love you for it.

Does your boat's insurance policy cover pets? Check <u>BoatUS.com/insurance/pets</u>.



### Fur & Feather Animal Assistance, Inc. Seeking Live-In Assistant/ Caretaker In N.M.

From Brad and Laurie Beauchamp

Fur and Feather Animal Assistance in Pie Town, N.M., is a 90-acre sanctuary for dogs and cats. We are at 8,000 feet in the western mountains, but the climate is reasonably mild.

Our facility specializes in lifetime care for animals that, for many reasons, have nowhere else to go. We are currently searching for a person who shares our vision to stay here at our facility and help us move forward with our continued work to save animals and provide high-quality care.

We do have a modest living area with utilities included, but would prefer an individual who has his/her own motor home or trailer, and some income. There are sev-

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### RED ROCK

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learning experience allowing participants to take part in question and answer sessions.

Daily at 2 p.m., the park hosts either

a guest speaker or a ranger/naturalist led activity of approximately 45-minutes. Programs may include a nature-hike, a special presentation or an educational/nature video. This program may be an indoor or outdoor activity.

A Junior Ranger program is avail-

able for children between the ages of six and 12. Junior Rangers pledge their part in helping preserve the beauty of the park for everyone. Junior Ranger booklets, available at the Visitor Center, have activities to complete.

Once approved by a Ranger, the newest Junior Ranger at Red Rock State Park is sworn in after taking the pledge and receiving a Junior Ranger button.

The Park Visitor Center features many displays about the area's geology, archaeology, flora and fauna, including an interactive relief map of Sedona and computer programs about various park features, including the House of Apache Fires.

The popular video, *The Natural Wonders of Sedona*, narrated by local voice-over artist John Conway, is shown several

times daily in the Park Theatre. Aerial explorations reveal ancient Indian ruins and dramatic landscapes, colorful desert wildflowers and local wildlife.

There is also a gift shop with a wide selection of books, mementos, t-shirts and snacks, adjacent to the displays.

### For More Information

For more information about Red Rock State Park call (928) 282-6907. Red Rock State Park is located at 4050 Lower Red Rock Loop Road in Sedona, AZ. Park hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and the Visitor Center is open 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Park Entrance Fee is \$10 per vehicle for up to four adults. The Arizona State Park Annual Fee is available for \$75 (some restrictions apply).

### HUNTING

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gov/draw

More than 121,600 people applied for this year's fall draw, and 49,471 hunt permit-tags were issued.

Hunt permit-tags for successful applicants were expected to be mailed by Aug. 9, 2013. Refunds will be mailed no later than Aug. 19.

For those who qualify, military hunts

For those who qualify, military hunts will also be available for Fort Huachuca. Call (520) 533-7083 or (520) 533-8763 for additional information.

### Dove, Band-Tailed Pigeon Regulations Available

The early season for dove opens Sept. 1, so now's the time to start planning and scouting.

Dove and band-tailed pigeon regulations for 2013-2014 are now available online and can be downloaded at www.azgfd. gov/regs/doveregs.pdf.
Printed copies of the regulations will soon be available at all Game and Fish offices and select retailers throughout the state.

The Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, www.azgfd.gov, features updated maps, scouting and shooting tips, as well as links to useful sites like www.rainlog.org. There's also a mobile-friendly webpage available at www.azgfd.gov/m.dove.



New this year is a possession limit of 30 birds. The bag limit is 10 birds per day. Eurasian collared-dove season is open all year, with an unlimited bag and possession limit.

Dove and other small game hunters recently gained access to about one million additional acres of land around municipalities, making it easier to hunt closer to home. Shooting hours this year are onehalf hour before sunrise until sunset.

Information on license and migratory bird stamp regulations is included in the regulations, along with details to help make the most of this dove season.



# **DOWNSTREAM**. Events Calendar Beginning Mid-August

### **BEYOND ARIZONA**

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### **BOATING**

LUCAS OIL DRAG BOAT RACING: Oct. 11-13 — Lake Havasu City; see story on page 5.

SAIL ABOARD TALL SHIP CALIFORN-IAN: Oct. 11-14 — Contact San Diego's Maritime Museum for more information.

ASF SAILING CLASSES 2013 AND 2014: arizonayachtclub.org.

AZ YACHT CLUB MEETINGS: Second Tuesday of every month 7 p.m. — Rolling Hills Golf Course, 1415 N. Mill Ave., - Rolling Tempe; 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 SAIL-ING teams up with the American Red Cross to provide an online training program. Participants can sign up by visiting www.ussail-ing.org/training and clicking on the Red Cross Online Training button (towards the bottom of the page).

### **CAMPING/RVING/AZ OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES**

**FLAGSTAFF:** Sept. 7 — Furry 2nd Annual Bear Jaw Groove – Flagstaff Nordic/Adventure Center, 12-hour mountain bike race. solo, duo, 4-person and corporate classes, cash and prize awards, raffle with Custom Wright Frame from AZ bikes, YMCA for Kids entertainment, kids bike race, bike toss schwag give-aways, beer garden, live music throughout the day, food concessions, http://www.flagstaffnordiccenter.com

BISBEE: Sept. 7 — 12th Annual Bisbee Bloomer Garden Tour – Bisbee residents open their yards to the public, a shuttle bus will be available, the Bisbee Art's Commis-sion will have a "Plein Air" painting event in conjunction with the tour, artists will be featured in the 10 gardens, local musicians will play at various locations, \$10, 10 am – 4 pm, 520-432-3554 or 866-2BISBEE or http://www.discoverbisbee.com

BENSON: Sept. 12 - Huachuca Astronomy Club Public Star Party – Patterson Observatory, view through member's telescopes (large & small) or bring your own, excellent outing for families and school age children welcome, 7-10 pm weather permitting, 520-803-0576 or http://www.hacastronomy.com

COTTONWOOD: Sept. 28 — <u>25th Annual</u> <u>Verde River Day</u>, Dead Horse Ranch State

25th Annual Verde River Day - Dead Horse Ranch State Park, develop awareness of the importance of the Verde River, 40+ environmental exhibits, hands-on activities, live entertainment, sand castle building, animals, canoe rides, nature hikes, fish the lagoon, nature walks, \$6 per vehicle/4 adults, 9 am - 3 pm, 928-634-7593 or http://www.cottonwoodchamberaz.org



RED ROCK STATE PARK HIKES, BIRD WALKS, MORE: August and September — Arizona State Parks; see story on page 12.

COUNTY PARKS OFFER FREE CAMPING: Oct. 1-Nov. 11 — See story on page 11.

SUPERIOR: Prickly Pear Festival: Aug. 24– Boyce Thompson Arboretum, includes a "prickly pear IPA" homebrewing class again this year — and (NEW!) a lecture about prickly pear winemaking by globe vintner Jerry Temanson, who fermented 50 gallons of the unique magenta beverage last year, a half-dozen local restaurants will feature prickly pear dishes, http://www.superiorazchamber net

**FLAGSTAFF:** Aug. 24 and 27 —Wildflower Walks - The Arboretum at Flagstaff, a special wildflower walk that will focus on the native species in bloom at this time of year, sign-up upon arrival, walks are limited to 20 participants, 9:30-11:30 am, 928-774-1442 or http://www.thearb.org

FOOL HOLLOW LAKE: Through Aug. 31 - Interpretive programs offered by Arizona State Parks

LYMAN LAKE STATE PARK: Through Dec. 3 — Camping reservations accepted; Arizona State Parks

GRAND CANYON: Through Jan. 20, 2014 Celebration of Art: http://www.grandcanyon.org/celebration.asp

**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.

### **CLASSES/SEMINARS**

AZGFD, CG AUXILIARY, PHOENIX POWER SOUADRON BOATING CLASSES: Ongoing (See page 3 of this

### **COMMUNITY**

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NO-KILL SHELTER NEEDS HELP: http://animalsbenefitclub.com/index2.html

RAISING MONEY FOR ANIMALS: On-Heather L. James-Davis; www.azanimalassistance.com

### **FISHING**

CATFISH STOCKINGS AT URBAN LAKES: Begin Sept. 16-21 — See story on

MORMON LAKE: Labor Day Weekend: Aug. 31-Sept. 2 — Mormon Lake Lodge, roping in the arena, **fishing**, horseback riding, hiking, mountain bike and OHV riding, cavenger hunt for families at 1 pm, 928-354-2227 or http://www.MormonLakeLodge.com/calendar/

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ARIZONA FLYCASTERS **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-

### **HUNTING**

LEFTOVER HUNTING TAGS AVAIL-**ABLE:** — See Arizona Game & Fish Dept. story on page 9

NATIONAL HUNTING & FISHING DAY: Sept. 28.

BEN AVERY CLAY TARGET CENTER: Current — 434-8119 - Open seven days a week; (623)

### **WATERSPORTS**

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**Swimming: ANTHEM:** Anthem Sprint Triathlon: Aug. 24 — Anthem Community Center, reverse order sprint triathlon, hosted in conjunction with Team Anthem Multisport Club, a 5km run, a fast 20km bike course and a 400m swim to the finish, 6:30 am, 623-330-0913 or http://www.4peaksracing.com

SIERRA VISTA: Aug. 17 — 14th Annual Hummingbird Triathlon – swim, run and bike for fun and prizes, 520-458-7922or http://www.visitsierravista.com/

FLAGSTAFF: Through Aug. 29 — Annual - Lake Mary, Mountain Man Triathlon - Lake Mary, Sprint: swim 700 meters, bike 10.6 miles, Sprint: swim /00 meters, bike 10.6 miles, run 3.1 miles; Olympic: swim 1500 meters, bike 24.9 miles, run 6.2 miles, spectators free, 6:30 am, 928-526-8761 or http://www.trifind.net or http://www.mountainmanevents.com

### WILDLIFE-RELATED

WILDLIFE HALL OF FAME BAN-QUET: Aug. 17 — Chaparral Suites, Scottsdale; see story on page 10.

with the Live Wildlife from the Wildlife World Zoo - White Mountain Nature Center, a special program with many birds and mam-mals presented by educators from the Wildlife World Zoo, with opportunity to see and photograph the animals up close, family fun, \$2/adults, \$1/children or \$5/family, 10 am, 928-358-3069 or http://www.wmnature.org

PRESCOTT: A Night at the Zoovies: Aug. 31 — Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary, family-friendly movies on the lawn under the stars, 8 pm, http://www.heritageparkzoo.org

MORMON LAKE: Aug. 24 — Watchable Wildlife! – Mormon Lake Lodge, program about wildlife presented by famed naturalist Joe Yarchin, Arizona Game and Fish Depart. Watchable Wildlife Project Coordinator, Joe shares secrets regarding how, where and when to view Wildlife in a responsible manner with good results, free, 9:30 am, 928-354-2227

http://www.MormonLakeLodge.com

PRESCOTT: Aug. 20 - Zoo by Moonlight - Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary, bring a flashlight and see the nocturnal residents, \$5, 8-9:30 pm, 928-778-4242 ext. 16 or http://www.heritageparkzoo.org

MORMON LAKE: Aug. 17 — Elk Workshop - Mormon Lake Lodge, learn about the behavior and habitat of Elk, Arizona Game and Fish Dept. will have a presentation and then participants can go out with spotting scopes and binoculars to observe and discuss Elk in the field, pre-register by Aug 16., free, 11 am, 928-774-5045 or http://www.MormonLakeLodge.com

TUCSON: Aug. 14-18 - 3rd Annual Tucson Bird and Wildlife Festival – Riverpark Inn, exciting monsoon birding, field trips & workshops with renowned leaders; socials and dinner programs featuring keynoters Rick Taylor and Richard Crossley (fees vary), free Nature Expo, kids' activities, http://tucsonaudubon.org/festival http://tucsonaudubon.org/festival

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eral options available if the right person comes along as far as living and financial arrangements.

As well as a comfortable work and living environment for our people, we are also seeking a gentle person with some dog smarts and a positive, hopeful attitude. There is quite a bit of ongoing physical

work, but nothing heavy or extreme.

If this sounds interesting to you please tell us about yourself at furandfeatheranimalassistance@gmail.com.

### CALM

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If you get stuck out in the weather pattern, do not panic. Put on your life jackets and look for a sheltered area. Keep vigilant of changing conditions. Set an anchor and maintain an anchor watch.

Whatever you do, stay calm and make a pledge to take a boating-safety course soon from the Power Squadron, the Coast Guard Auxiliary, Arizona Game & Fish, the Arizona Yacht Club, or the Lake Pleasant Sailing Club. (Upcoming classes are listed on page 3 of this issue.)

### STICKER

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need on that day through West Marine Let's all work together to make our Arizona State waterways safer.

Remember to be a leader as your lead could save a life, Boat Smart from the Start, always wear a life jacket and take a boating class.

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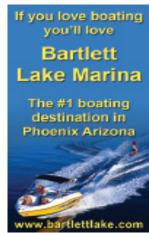
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LAKE PLEASANT SAILING CLUB -If you own a sailboat and are looking for a fun group of people to sail with, consider The Lake Pleasant Sailing Club. Held every monthly except for July at Rolling Hill's 19th Tee (Rolling Hills Golf Course) 1405 N. Mill Ave., Tempe, Az. (where Van Buren turns into Mill Ave near Phoenix Zoo).

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### SAILING





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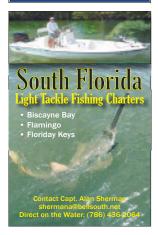


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### **A SUMMARY**

### HAHWG Has Success In Flagstaff

From Douglas Burt AZGFD Hunting and Shooting Sports Program Manager

Thank you to all who came to the summer Hunting & Angling Heritage Workgroup (HAHWG) meeting. We had 45-50 attendees at the meeting, representing 22 unique organizations.

Included in that count were 19 new faces to HAHWG, bringing seven (7) new organizations under the tent. Way to recruit, everyone! You all are a bunch of dedicated outdoor heritage leaders

I also want to thank Commissioner Pat Madden, of Flagstaff, for attending Sunday's meeting. For those who didn't make it, I am loading all the presentation materials to our Web page at www.azgfd.gov/hahwg for your reference and review.

You asked me to get some of the quick action items out to the group so you can take the momentum from the meeting and keep developing contacts and doing the great work that you do. Here they are

• Blackdog Promotions – Connect all groups with Lauren Fach, Lauren@blackdogpromotions.com, to get write up on their organization posted at www.fishcamphunthike.com.

Here is the link to the article they did about the summer HAHWG meeting, http://www.fishcamphunt.com. Thank you for the information on social media. It's an area that we will continue to learn and grow.

- Attendees contact info Share contact information with attendees so they can reach out and develop relationships and co-ordinate on activities (see attached)
- · Yarnell Firefighter Fundraiser -29 benefit banquet for the families of the Granite Mountain Hotshots at Tim's Toyota Center in Prescott Valley. Questions, Steve Sams 928-848-4549, beadguy@cableone.
- net.
   NWTF Mentor article This will be digitized soon and distributed

· LSG grant information

· Meeting minutes and actions: I have about six pages of my notes and four pages of actions. These are now consolidated and distributed.

Thank you to everyone who provided comments on the evaluation forms. We received 35 responses; the majority of them responded "agree" or "strongly agree" to the questions provided (maybe my questions are too favorable).

Some of the additional comments we re-

ceived: great keynote speaker, made good contacts, liked breakout sessions, and the

summer site location is a good one.

There were a handful of undecided, and we will look at addressing those to further improve the meeting. It's your meeting and we want it to be worthwhile.

Last, thank you to our keynote speaker, Matt Dunfee of Wildlife Management Institute who presented on the national view on recruitment and retention efforts, and techniques and approaches for improving R & R programs. He brought a great wealth of information and dynamic to our

Our next full HAHWG meeting is tentatively scheduled for Jan. 18-19, and our location target is Yuma.

Respectfully, **Douglas Burt** 

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list of mentored events.

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Editor's Note: We at Western Outdoor Times/ Arizona Boating & Watersports are honored to be one of the new additions to HAHWG and look forward to the winter meeting.

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### LMB Effects

While the LMB virus can affect largemouth bass, it doesn't pose a risk to people and pets, and the water is safe for drinking-water supply and recreation.

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"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 Marc Dahlberg, Game and Fish water-quality program manager. "However, we always recommend that people thoroughly cook any fish they intend to eat, and never use fish found dead or dying for food."

At this time, fishing at these waterbodies is still productive and there have been no recreational impacts.

Dahlberg explained that although the virus can cause mortality in largemouth bass, not all bass become infected, and not every 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.

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"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
Dahlberg.

The virus has been found in 18 states dating back to 1991. In Arizona, Saguaro Lake, Bartlett Lake, Roosevelt Lake, and Lake Pleasant have tested positive for the disease.

Although other fish species can carry the virus, it only affects largemouth bass. It is not known exactly what triggers the activation of the virus into a disease outbreak, but it has been associated with stress events such as high water temperatures. The virus appears to diminish over time.

### **Precautions**

The Arizona Game and Fish Department emphasizes that there are precautions the public can take to help stop the spread of the virus, as well as other aquatic invasive species such as quagga mussels. One preventive measure that is 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, such as quagga mussels, that could substantially affect a fishery or lake ecosystem," said Dahlberg. "Don't transport live fish caught from a lake — period. It's the wrong thing to do and it's unlawful."

That's why it's important to clean, drain and dry your boat before leaving any lake at any time. In other words, remember to wipe down your boat, pull your plug, and dry your watercraft and equipment for at least five days before launching your boat on another water. Bass virus can live for up to seven days in standing water.

### And More —

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

- Dispose of all unused bait in the trash, never in the water.
   Never transfer live fish from one body
- 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 livewells 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.
  If you see any dead or dying fish,
- If you see any dead or dying fish, please report your observation to Arizona Game and Fish at (623) 236-7257.
  - · Educate others to follow these steps.

### **AIS Inclusive List**

The AIS list now includes quagga and zebra mussel, rusty crayfish, red claw crayfish, New Zealand mudsnail, didymo (aka rock snot), giant salvinia, Asian carp (silver, black and bighead), apple snail, whirling disease, LMB virus, and all snakehead species.

snakehead species.

In 2009, the Arizona Legislature passed the Aquatic Invasive Species Interdiction Act, which authorized the regulatory measures known as "Director's Orders." They give the Arizona Game and Fish Department certain authorities and responsibilities, such as identifying and assessing aquatic invasive species presence, identi-

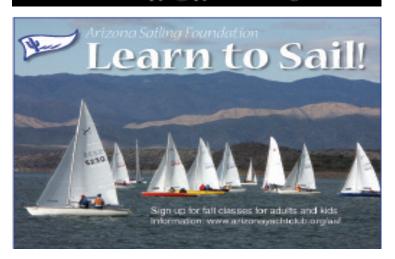
fying affected waters, and establishing protocols and mandatory conditions for moving watercraft and other equipment so the public does not transport or possess these invasive organisms to other Arizona waterbodies.

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