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Summertime In The Southwest Is A Sensational Season

DAY ON THE LAKE: BARROWS AND BARTLETT

This Amazing Watersports Program Helps Those With Disabilities

The Day on the Lake program is the only adapted water sports program for those with physical and neurological disabilities offered in Arizona. Summer 2018 marks our 22nd year of helping people who suffer from a neurological disability ride the waves at one of the most accessible waterside facilities in Arizona — Bartlett Lake Marina.



Mono skiing is a type of adaptive waterskiing that requires upper-body strength and good trunk control. The program has skis in various sizes. A family member or caregiver is welcome to ride in the ski boat.



Outrigger skiing is a type of adaptive waterskiing that offers support on both sides of the skis. It is perfect for first-time skiers and for those with decreased arm strength. A family member or caregiver can ride in the ski boat.



Wakeboarding is taught using a specialized ski boat equipped with a ski boom.

For Children And Adults

Day on the Lake is an amazing program for children and adults with physical and

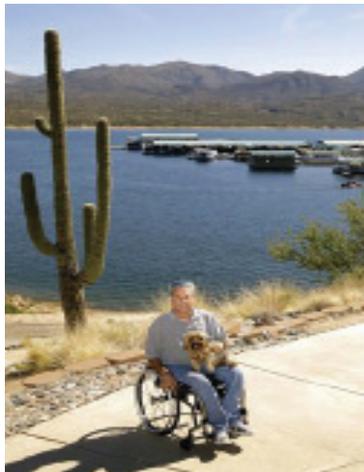


Family, friends, and caregivers can cruise around beautiful Bartlett Lake on this double-decker pontoon boat.

neurological challenges. Bartlett Lake Marina — in conjunction with Barrows Neurological Institute — has been the home of the Day on the Lake program for over two decades and has been able to get the folks and their families out on the lake to come and enjoy activities such as wake boarding, adapted water skiing, fishing, jet skiing and kayaks.

Two Weekends A Year

For two weekends a year, a reservoir deep in Arizona's Tonto National Forest becomes a haven for people with physical and neurological disabilities. There they can water-ski, kayak and ride in a speedboat surrounded by clear skies and beautiful mountains. For some, it's the first experience of its kind in their lives. For others, it's the first water-



Bryan Church and Hurley welcome guests to Bartlett Lake Marina.



To operate a jet ski, one must have a valid driver's license and be accompanied by an assigned volunteer. One may also participate as a passenger with a trained and certified boat-safety operator.

sports excursion since they were injured.

'Adapted' Means —

Adapted water sports are just as they sound: Water sports that have been adapted for people with disabilities. Sometimes that involves gear, such as a single, wide water ski with a chair on it. Other times it means having a hydraulic lift to hoist people out of the water or onto a boat or jet ski.

DOTL 2018 Dates

Day on the Lake 2018 will occur on the following dates:

- Thursday, May 31
- Friday, June 1
- Saturday, June 2
- Thursday, September 6
- Friday, September 7
- Saturday, September 8

Bartlett Lake Marina Accessibility

Bartlett Lake Marina is one of the most accessible marinas in the state, and has been since Bryan Church — and his brother Eric — had a vision to build it in the 1980s after a construction accident left him paralyzed from the waist down.

Accessibility, Church said, is about the details: Multiple wheelchair-accessible bathrooms and showers, sidewalks paved with switchbacks instead of stairs, no ruts in the ground. The hydraulic Hoyer lift is a big plus.

"I'd be surprised if 5 percent of marinas in the country have them," he said in his of-



Wakesurfing is also available at Day on the Lake.



Thanks to Arizona Disabled Sports and Daring Adventures, Day on the Lake participants can enjoy kayaking. Family members may also be able to participate depending on availability.

He constantly rings his cellphone.

"It's nice to pat yourself on the back and say that you're a wheelchair-accessible place, but in all honesty, if I went to any marina around here I could get around okay, but a lot of it has to do with the personal services and the attitudes," Church said. "I think our attraction to the folks is we understand what we can do to help you out, and we have the equipment here to help you out."

Also Attracts People Beyond Arizona

The marina itself does draw some people with disabilities, usually elderly people, Church said, but it's Day on the Lake that attracts people from across the state, and sometimes other states and countries.

Barrow And Bartlett Sites

For more information, visit <https://www.barrowneuro.org/patients-families/find> and/or www.bartlettlake.com/

ON THE COVER

Boats, Barrows, And Bartlett Offer Amazing Opportunities

Bartlett Lake's double-decker pontoon boat is an important part of the annual Day on the Lake program. With Bartlett Lake Marina and Barrows Neurological Institute (plus sponsors such as Salt River Project), this adapted-watersports opportunity has offered both disabled adults and children the joys of water activities. The event is held two weekends each year, and 2018 marks the 22nd anniversary of this wonderful event.

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Boating

'Just Wear It!'

Safety depends on wearing a life jacket whether you're climbing aboard a watercraft — an SUP, a kayak or a canoe/**Page 4**





We thank Barrows Institute and Bartlett Lake Marina for their "Day on the Lake" that gives many of those who face physical challenges an opportunity to enjoy some time on the water. At Bartlett Lake they have several opportunities for boating, fishing, and other aquatic activities. Salt River Project (SRP) is one of the sponsors.

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DOWNSTREAM June 2018 Events Calendar

BEYOND ARIZONA

FUR AND FEATHER ANIMAL ASSISTANCE, INC.: Ongoing — A permanent residential facility for dogs and cats designed for comfort, well being, and CARE for LIFE. Where Every "One" Deserves a Chance, PO Box 555 Pie Town, NM 87827, e-mail to furandfeatheranimalassistance@gmail.com

BOATING

9 PARKER: 41st Annual Great Western Tube Float — 40 Floatin' Years — Launch from Buckskin Mountain State Park and finish at La Paz County Park. Take in the stunning scenery along the route. While floating, you will see the serene shoreline of both the Arizona and California coasts along the mighty Colorado on the Parker Strip, 8:30 am. 928-669-6511 or <http://parkerfun.com> or <http://ParkerAZ.org>

LEARN TO SAIL: Current — If you know someone who would like to learn to sail, turn them on to the Arizona Sailing Foundation's Adult Beginning Sailing class.

AZ YACHT CLUB MEETINGS: Second Tuesday of every month 7 p.m. — in the Caddy Shack at Rolling Hills Golf Course, 1415 N. Mill Ave., Tempe; www.arizonayachtclub.org

CAMPING/RVING/AZ OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

2 PINETOP/LAKESIDE: Walk for the Woods on National Trails Day - White Mountain Nature Center. Fun hikes of varying length, nature walk, and bike ride to benefit the Nature Center and Woodland Lake Park. Food, music, presentations, and prizes. Fun for the entire family! Free. 7:30 am. 928-358-3069 or <http://www.wmnature.org>

9 FLAGSTAFF: Sunset Crater Volcano Solar & Star Party - Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument. Drive time from Flagstaff is 30 minutes. Solar viewing takes place at Sunset Crater Volcano Visitor Center 1-4 pm. All other events will take place at the Lava Flow Trail parking lot, located 1.5 miles east of the Sunset Crater Volcano visitor center on the park loop drive (FS 545), at 8 pm. <https://www.nps.gov/sucr/planyourvisit/summer-night-sky-events.htm>

9 PINETOP/LAKESIDE: Treasures of the Forest 2018 — White Mountain Nature Center. "Tales of the Tall Trees," an all-ages program featuring our area forests. Hike at the Nature Center with experts who will describe Firewise principles and point out the secretly hiding Guardian of the Forest. A movie will be shown as an alternative to hiking. Free. 10 am. 928-358-3069 or <http://www.wmnature.org>

9-16 GRAND CANYON: 28th Annual Grand Canyon Star Party -South Rim. Sponsored by National Park Service and



Flag Day June 14
Fathers' Day June 17
Independence Day July 4

the Tucson Amateur Astronomy Association, amateur astronomers from across the country will be volunteering their expertise, numerous telescopes set up to view, on the South Rim the event includes a slide show at 8 pm. 928-638-7967 or <http://www.nps.gov/grea> or <http://tucsonastronomy.org/>

CLASSES/SEMINARS

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

COMMUNITY AND SEASONAL

8-9 GREER: Greer Days — Main Street. Friday: Heavenly Vendor Village with arts & crafts, food, jewelry, clothes, paintings, furniture, toys and more; children's games; 10 am - 5 pm. Saturday: 10 am parade with horses and riders, Native American dancers, floats, antique cars and more; Heavenly Vendor Village continues 10 am - 5 pm; children's games; 1 pm Lucky Duck Race where children and adults race toy ducks for fun and in pursuit of the big prize; a fun run and silent auction. <http://greerarizona.com/events/> or <http://greercivic.org/>

28-7/4 PRESCOTT: 131st Annual Prescott Frontier Days & World's Oldest Rodeo — Prescott Rodeo Grounds. 8 rodeo performances, Arizona's largest rodeo parade, kiddie parade, arts & crafts show, food, rodeo dances. 7:30 & 1:30 pm select days. 928-445-3103 or 866-407-6336 or <http://www.worldsoldestrodeoo.com>

29 SHOW LOW: Annual Show Low Deuces Wild Rodeo — Village Arena. Cowboys and cowgirls from Arizona and surrounding states compete in events including bull riding, barrel racing, bareback riding, team roping, saddle bronc riding, and tie-down roping. 7 pm. 928-537-3883 or <http://www.deuceswildrodeo.us/>

30-7/2 PRESCOTT: 38th Annual Prescott Rodeo Days Fine Arts & Crafts Show - Courthouse Plaza. A juried art and craft show on the grass and tree covered grounds of the Yavapai County Courthouse. The jewel in the center of historic downtown Prescott. The show corresponds with the Frontier Days Parade, World's Oldest Rodeo, Whiskey Row Street dances, cowboy boot races and so much more! 928-443-5220 or <http://www.prescottdowntown.com>

FISHING

9 LAKE HAVASU CITY: 2nd Annual Pond Hopper Nation's Teach a Child to Fish Day - Pond Hopper Nation is teaming with professional angler Roy Hawk to help make fishing dreams come true for youth who otherwise might not have the opportunity to experience their first catch. The goal is to sponsor 100 youth by outfitting them with their own fishing rod and tackle box, and teach them the basics of fishing. Free. 9 am - 3 pm. 214-930-7515 or <http://www.pondhoppernation.com>

SHOOTING SPORTS/ ARCHERY

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

WATERSPORTS/ WATER-RELATED

2-7/15 BISBEE: Smithsonian Exhibition: Water/Ways - Bisbee — Bisbee Mining & Historical Museum. Explores the endless motion of the water cycle, its effect on landscape, settlement and migration, and its impact on culture and spirituality. Looks at political and economic efforts to ensure access to water, and explores how human creativity and resourcefulness provide new ways to protect water resources and renew our relationship with the natural environment.

9-10 SHOW LOW: 15th Annual Deuces Wild Triathlon Festival - Fool Hollow Lake. Olympic Course is **swim** 1500 meters, bike 24.9 miles and run 6.2 miles, Deuce Man Long course is **swim** 1.2 miles, bike 56 miles, run 13.1 miles, Xterra Deuces Wild Off-Road Triathlon — a Nissan Xterra Points Series Race, **swim** 800 meters, mountain bike 14.9 miles, Trail run 5 miles, USAT sanctioned. <http://www.deuceswildtriathlon.com/>

SAGUARO DIVING & SPORTS: Ongoing — Learn to Scuba Dive, Open Water Certification Dives, Private Class & Pool, Private Lake: sales@saguarosports.com Frozen

LEARN TO CURL LESSONS: Ongoing — learntocurl@coyotescurling.com

WILDLIFE/ ANIMAL-RELATED

9 CLARKDALE: Raptors on the Rails with Liberty Wildlife - Verde Canyon Railroad. As breathtaking as an eagle is in flight, a face-to-face encounter with a raptor is an equally astounding event. Our friends from Scottsdale's Liberty Wildlife share the majesty of a rescued bald eagle with visitors at the depot and on the train on select days throughout the year. Everyone has the opportunity for personal interaction. <http://www.verdecanyonrr.com>

15-16 TSAILE: 22nd Annual Sheep is Life Celebration — Diné College. A gathering for those who love sheep, wool, fiber arts and the diverse cultures that have maintained these lifeways for thousands of years, register for 1- to 5-day fiber arts and culture workshops, Mon - Fri, taught by Diné (Navajo) master artists in the beautiful Chuska Mountains of the Navajo Nation, free public events on Fri-Sat include hands-on activities, youth programs, sheep camp, fireside discussions, exhibits, demonstrations, and juried sheep and wool shows. 505-406-7428 or <http://www.navajolifeway.org>

23 PINETOP/LAKESIDE: Feathers and Nests 2018 — White Mountain Nature Center. Get your flock to the Nature Center to look at how birds fly and engineer their nests. Join in on an easy walk to check out our new Nest Box Trail. Free. 10 am. 928-358-3069 or <http://www.wmnature.org>

24 CLARKDALE: Sacred Scarlets Demonstrations — Tuzigoot National Monument. Sacred Scarlets presents lectures and demonstrations featuring a young, beautiful captive-bred scarlet macaw. These lectures and demonstrations address conservation as well as the scarlet macaw's fascinating history in American Southwest culture. . 928-634-5564 or <http://www.nps.gov/tuzi>

30 PINETOP/LAKESIDE: Wonderful Wetlands — White Mountain Nature Center. Discover the importance of wetlands to wildlife (and people), the impact of invasive species, and enjoy our annual search for water critters at the Big Springs pond. Be ready to get wet! Free. 10 am. 928-358-3069 or <http://www.wmnature.org>

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Our waterways are ready, but are you?

Free courses offered by the Arizona Game and Fish Department:

Boater Education Course

- June 16 in Phoenix
- June 16 in Lake Havasu City
- July 21 in Phoenix
- July 21 in Lake Havasu City

Paddlesports Education Course

- July 7 in Tucson
- July 14 in Lake Havasu City
- July 27 in Show Low
- July 28 in Tucson

Sign up online and get the details at www.azgfd.gov/boating or give us a call: 623-236-7258

What To Do If You're in a Boating Accident

While no one anticipates that their day on the water will be cut short by an accident, all boaters should prepare for the unexpected and know what to do in the event of an incident. If you are in a collision or accident while on one of the state's waterways, Arizona law requires you to:

1

STOP

and render aid at the scene of the accident

2

HELP

those that have been injured and provide any assistance necessary unless doing so would endanger additional passengers or boats

3

EXCHANGE

names, addresses, contact information and the boats' identifying numbers with anyone injured in the accident and/or the owner of any property that was damaged



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Register Your Watercraft

Make sure your vessel's registration is current before heading out on the water! Skip the line and renew your watercraft registration online at www.azgfd.gov/boating





Before Climbing Aboard Your SUP, Strap On A Life Jacket

Stay safe while joining Arizona's increasing number of stand-up-paddleboard enthusiasts.

It's no secret that an increasing number of people are exploring Arizona's waterways from stand-up paddleboards (SUP). They offer a great way to spend quality time outdoors, while getting in a workout and having access to areas that larger watercraft can't easily maneuver.

While preparing for your next outing, the Arizona Game and Fish Department (AZGFD) recommends that you pack — and more importantly wear — a life jacket whether you're climbing aboard a SUP, kayak or canoe.

Start And End With A PFD

"Just because you're not traveling as fast as a motorized boat does not decrease the importance of wearing a life jacket and taking steps to stay safe while on the lake," said Josh Hoffman, AZGFD's boating-safety-education coordinator. "An enjoyable day on the water should start and end with wearing a life jacket, regardless of the type of paddlecraft or boat."

In Arizona, the first recreational boating fatalities for the past two years have been paddlers who drowned and were not

wearing life jackets.

While life jackets are required for children 12 and under while on any vessel, it's strongly recommended that everyone wear one. A number of manufacturers offer life jackets that have been designed for paddlers and are approved by the U.S. Coast Guard.

And if you're planning to take man's best friend along for the adventure, life jackets designed for dogs make it easier to pull them back onboard if needed and provide an extra level of safety for even the best canine swimmer.

Keeping Paddlers Safe

In addition to wearing a life jacket, there are four tips to help paddlers stay safe:

- Learn and follow all navigation rules. Paddlers must follow the same laws and navigation rules as other watercraft.
- SUPs, kayaks and canoes are defined as watercraft, so users are required to have a wearable personal flotation device onboard.
- Carry a sound-producing device.



Make sure to bring a device like a whistle or horn that's audible for at least a half mile. This will help to signal rescuers, if needed.

• Know your limits. Always follow your instincts and play it safe. Avoid placing yourself into a potentially dangerous situation.

Take A Course

"If you're new to paddling, one of the

best things you can do is take one of our free courses," Hoffman said. "We'll provide an overview of key safety information and hands-on instruction in the water."

AZGFD's free paddlesports education courses are held at multiple locations throughout the state each month. Get more details about boating safety programs and Arizona's regulations online: www.azgfd.gov/boating.

Three Easy, No-Cost Ways To Be Safer On The Water

With the start of boating season, the BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water has three tips to get boaters thinking about safety aboard any type of boat.

1. Open up your boat for a vessel safety check: You may think getting a vessel safety check from the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary or U.S. Power Squadrons can open yourself to problems. However, a no-risk, free vessel safety check does the opposite. It points out both the required and recommended items to have aboard, such as fire extinguishers, life jackets, distress signals, first-aid kits, and engine spark arrestors, and also helps provide a better understanding on the care and use of this critical equipment.

Checks are done as a courtesy with no risk to the boater, so you won't be in trouble if discrepancies are found. Go to <https://bit.ly/1syhbDA> to request a U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary safety check or <https://bit.ly/2I2uc8w> for a U.S. Power Squadrons safety check.

2. Believe the numbers – take a safety course: Statistics from the U.S. Coast Guard Office of Boating Safety show that only 13 percent of all boating deaths in 2016 occurred on vessels where the operator had taken a nationally approved boating safety education course.

So take this number to heart – taking a boating safety course improves safety. The BoatUS Foundation offers free online boating safety courses that meet the education requirements in 36 states and also may earn you a boat insurance dis-



START RIGHT — The BoatUS Foundation recommends getting a free vessel-safety check to start the boating season right.

count. Go to BoatUS.org/Free.

Note: (Safety courses are also offered in Arizona by the Arizona Game & Fish Department, Phoenix Sail & Power Squadron, and the Coast Guard Auxiliary.)

3. Give a safety talk before you head out: Taking out guests is half the fun of boating, but before you head out, give a little talk about how to stay safe aboard your boat. Some important things to include may be how to distribute weight in a small boat, how to hold on when cross-

ing a wake, how a tuber or water skier should safely re-board after being towed, how the VHF radio works and the location of important safety equipment.

Also, give everyone a life jacket to wear or keep in his or her immediate vicinity. If you don't have a right-sized life jacket for a youngster, borrow one for free at more than 550 locations nationwide from the BoatUS Foundation Life Jacket Loaner Program at BoatUS.org/Life-Jacket-Loaner.



PROBLEM SOLVER — Aerated baitwells offer anglers tremendous convenience, yet can prove a source of frustration by allowing foreign matter to slip down the drain tube. This can soon clog through-hull lines, resulting in irritating and costly repairs. The Beckson Marine D-2 Baitwell Gravity Drain Assembly eliminates this problem by screening out debris.

Gravity Drain Assembly Protects Marine Plumbing

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The D-2 uses a specially designed cap with 72 angled drain holes to protect against clogs without restricting overall water flow. In addition to its use in gravity-fed baitwell drains, the versatile D-2 assembly is also perfect for coolers, livewells, water tanks and a variety of other marine, RV or residential applications.

Made from non-rusting, durable synthetic compounds for years of trouble-free service, the D-2 accepts standard 1/2" drainage hose. Designed for easy installation, it comes with all required hardware, including one 1-3/8" plastic retaining washer, two rubber sealing washers, and a plastic retaining nut. Suggested retail price for the Beckson Marine D-2 Baitwell Gravity Drain Assembly is \$22.

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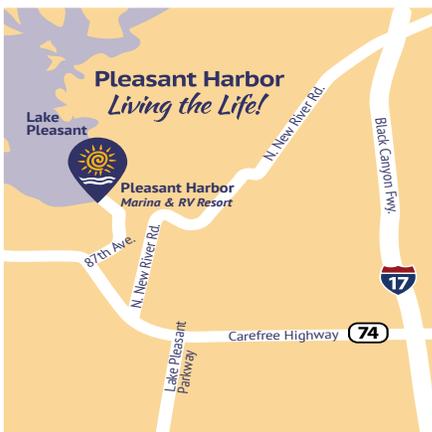
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Maritime Museum Announces Tallship Sailor Training

This program spans centuries of tall ships and includes Museum fleet vessels *Star of India*, *Californian*, and *San Salvador*.

Maritime Museum of San Diego, home to one of the world's finest collections of historic vessels, from sail to steam to submarine, announces the first stage of 2018 curriculum to train individuals 18+ how to sail and maintain tall ships.

Vessel training includes learning the skill to sail the 19th century *Star of India*, the world's oldest active sailing tall ship, plus the official tall ship for the state, *Californian*, and the recently built 16th century Spanish galleon replica, *San Salvador*.

Skills Taught

Sail and maintenance crew members will learn skills such as knot tying, laying aloft (climbing the rigging), sail setting, sail theory, maintenance of the ships, and much more. Dr. Raymond Ashley, Ph.D., K.C.I., President/CEO of the Maritime Museum of San Diego describes the opportunity enthusiastically, "So many people dream of this opportunity. This class is designed as the first step to learn to become a tall ship sailor and volunteer time as a dedicated and well-respected member of the Maritime Museum of San Diego."



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Need-To-Knows

Open orientation will be held at 6 p.m. Wednesday, June 27 at the Maritime Museum of San Diego aboard the steam ferryboat *Berkeley*.

First class will be held at 8 a.m. sharp

Sunday, July 15.

Classes continue every Sunday through August 19.

Classes are limited to 300 participants. Classes are free but and require Museum membership.

Participants must be 18 and older and provide their own health insurance.

Stage-Two Training

One hundred of the class of 300 sailors attending classes will be chosen for stage two of the training program: Sept. 9 through Nov. 11. Successful graduates will transfer their skills on the water when the fleet puts to sea with the *Star of India*'s anniversary sail event Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 17 and 18.

Long-Term Graduates

Long-term graduates of the program will also have the opportunity to volunteer as sail crew aboard additional Maritime

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Where Big Ethanol Is King, Many Prefer Ethanol-Free Gas

More ethanol-free fuel is sold in Iowa than E15 and all flex fuels combined.

Even in Iowa, it appears many Hawkeye State residents aren't fond of ethanol fuels mandated by the federal government's Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS).

A report from the Iowa Department of Revenue shows that ethanol-free gas (E0) is a more popular fuel choice than E15 (15 percent ethanol) and all flex fuels (E20, E85) combined, with Iowans purchasing more than 200 million gallons of E0 fuel in 2016.

That's more fuel that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) projects the entire US will be able to use in the near future while still satisfying growing annual biofuel obligations under the Renewable Fuel Standard.

Need For RFS Reform

The nation's largest boating advocacy group, Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS), says citizens of the number-one ethanol-producing state in the nation choosing ethanol-free fuel for their own personal vehicles and equipment is another example of the need for RFS reform.

"This is the part of the country where Big Ethanol interests dominate, but right in their backyard the citizens of Iowa have spoken with their pocketbooks and wallets," said BoatUS Manager of Gov-

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Summer Racing Underway At Tempe Town Lake

FROM GEORGE SHELLER
LASER 184560

At the end of May we began summer Wednesday-evening racing at Tempe Town Lake.

We do one-minute starts by whistle or, if the Ferrings are there, by their fancy start machine on their boat. We do short races, windward - leeward and, depending on the wind, up to 7 races. We stop by

about 7 pm, pack up the boats and head to McFates restaurant on Scottsdale Rd south of McDowell.

All small boats are welcomed (usually Lasers, C-14.2, Buccaneers, Fireball, Sunfish, and we hope to see some Thistles there). We all start together. Once on the water, by magic, the heat is not a factor.

This is not an AYC event, so there are no entry fees, committee duty, scores or other formalities. You are on your own in terms of safety so, at least, bring a PFD

and lots of water.

This is the only summer racing event in Arizona, so get out and race, keep your skills honed or come and practice/learn to sail. We will help beginners. It is very informal so no need to feel intimidated by a racing venue. Youth are especially welcome. I hope to see you there.

For more information re: AYC, visit <https://arizonayachtclub.org> and on Tempe Town Lake, visit <https://www.tempe.gov/>



Tempe Town Lake

BoatUS YouTube Channel Reaches Milestone: What Are You Missing?

More than 10,000 boaters take advantage of extensive how-to video gold mine.

With springtime's arrival, more boaters are getting help with a variety of how-to and other boating topics by watching BoatUS videos at YouTube.com/BoatUS. The national advocacy, services and safety group announced today it has reached a milestone with 10,000 YouTube channel subscribers. The most popular video, "How to Trim Your Boat," has nearly 600,000 views and makes this critical boat-handling skill easy to understand.

Most of the 100-plus videos on the channel were produced by the editors of *BoatUS Magazine* and cover a range of practical topics, all designed to make a boater's life better. "We've been releasing new videos weekly since last fall," said *BoatUS Magazine* Managing Editor Stacy Nedrow-Wigmore.



HOW-TO — Nearly every powerboater needs to know how to trim his or her boat. BoatUS shows you how to do it the right way and offers more than 100 other helpful how-to videos on its YouTube channel.

"Topics include how-to, maintenance, boat handling, buyers guides, fishing, and more. They're professionally shot and ed-

ited, and we keep them short so they're easy to watch anytime. Each one offers something useful, whether you're new

to boating or have been on the water for years."

Some of the more popular topics just in time for the start of the boating season include "How to Repair Gelcoat," "5 Outboard Maintenance Jobs People Forget," "Beaching Your Boat So You Can Leave Again," "How To Navigate Using a Smartphone," and "How To Back Into a Slip."

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Museum fleet vessels including the 18th century replica frigate *HMS Surprise* and 20th century steam yacht *Medea*.

There is no cost for the classes; however crew volunteers must be Maritime Museum members and have their own health insurance.

For more information, visit <https://sd-maritime.org/latest-news/tall-ship-training-program/>

Father's Day Sail

Make Father's Day a special one-of-a-kind adventure!

The Maritime Museum of San Diego invites you to a Fathers Day celebration aboard *Californian* or *San Salvador* on Saturday, June 16 or Sunday, June 17.

Before the sail, each adult receives a delicious bratwurst sandwich, chips and a cold beer prior to sailing. Hot dogs and soft drinks are available for the kids. Food will be served from 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m., and the

three-hour sailing trip will begin boarding at 11:30, returning at approximately at 3p.m. Guests are welcome to enjoy the museum before and after the sail.

The museum's experienced crew will make your Fathers Day celebration unforgettable while working the lines and handling the sails; as you sail around the beautiful calm waters of San Diego Bay.

For more information, visit <https://sd-maritime.org/visit/public-events/fathers-day-sail/>

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ernment Affairs David Kennedy. "They know what ethanol can do to their vehicles, power equipment and boats. We support every effort to recognize an Iowan's right to choose safe ethanol-free fuels. It's time to fix the RFS."

Passed In 2005

When it was passed in 2005, the RFS assumed that America's use of gasoline would continue to grow. Since then, however, gasoline usage has not increased as forecast, which today forces more ethanol

into each gallon of gas.

To keep up with the RFS mandate and avoid hitting a "blend wall" in which the volume of ethanol production would exceed consumption and infrastructure constraints, in 2010 EPA granted a waiver to allow E15 into the marketplace. Most recently on April 12, President Trump also proposed the sale of E15 year-round that would require a waiver to the Clean Air Act.

Ethanol Damage

Only fuels containing up to 10 percent ethanol (E10) are permitted for use in recreational boats, and anything

greater voids many marine engine warranties. However, 92 percent of readers of a prominent boating industry publication reported in 2017 that they have seen damage caused by ethanol, which also decreases fuel economy, thus increasing fuel cost, and has questionable environmental benefits.

BoatUS also has concerns over potential consumer misfueling as E15 pump labeling requirements are minimal - just a small orange warning label. BoatUS is a member of the Smarter Fuel Future coalition. For more information, go to <https://bit.ly/2156Joa>.

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LESSONS FROM THE GUNSMITHS

How Do I Learn To Work On Guns?

BY MIKE BERGER AND PAT KNIGHT

This is a question that seems to come up on a frequent basis, often after the individual has just put away his or her wallet or check book. It is a good question for any person who owns firearms, particularly if they have some mechanical ability, and an interest in properly maintaining their personal firearms. This does not mean that everyone should start “working” on their guns. It does, however, open up an opportunity to learn and progress.

Before We Start

Remember the basic safety rules. All guns are always loaded. This is the rule even after you have checked them several times. Remove all live ammunition from the room or area where you will be working.

Begin By Reading

What do you know about your firearms? Current manufacturers go to great lengths to educate their customers about the gun that they have purchased. Every modern firearm purchased new comes with an owner’s manual. Some manufacturers even engrave on the gun, offers of free owner’s manuals to anyone who subsequently buys their gun as a used purchase.

The owner’s manual presents an interesting problem that is almost universal. It does not get read. This occurs most often with the male of the species, who feel it is a part of our genetic makeup to “know how to...”. Case in point, look in the glove compartment of your car, and find the unread owner’s manual. You may have looked up one or two things, but look in the mirror and try to tell *that* guy you read the whole thing.

My Fire Service Background

I came from a different culture. The Fire Service has to maintain unbelievable training records, with standards for ev-



Bore Guides, Special Rods And Cleaning Kits

everything imaginable. When we would get something as simple as a new hand drill, every member would read and sign off on reading the owner’s manual. Discussion would then follow.

It is important to remember that this is a C.D.O. culture (for those not familiar with the term, it is O.C.D. in alphabetized form). My point is that the owner’s manual for your gun contains information on safety, cleaning and basic disassembly. Most also print the basics of firearms safety. It will also include information on lubrication types and places.

Information Can Have Great Value

Firearms manufacturers spend fortunes and their engineers countless hours compiling this information. It can be of value to you.

While this is a wonderful thing, what do you do with the pistol that great uncle Joe brought back from World War II?



Slotted Tips In Brass, Plastic And Coated Steel

Continue Reading

What markings are on that pistol? Most firearms manufacturers want you to be able to identify who made their product.

Exceptions Such Pre-WWII Weapons

There are exceptions to this. Pre-World War II German weapons were often made in violation of the treaty of Versailles, which ended the First World War. Efforts were made to conceal not only their manufacture, but also the location of manufacture. Codes were used to designate factories that made the gun, and these were changed during the time the war continued. Examples are BYF for Mauser and AC for Walther production.

Made By One, Sold By Another

Sometimes guns were made by a company to be sold by another company. There are many guns marked “J.C. Higgins” that were sold by Sears stores. J.C. Higgins was a Sears employee who never



Bore Snakes Of Various Calibers



Bore Brushes in Nylon, Phosphor Bronze and at right, a Stainless Steel Chamber Brush

designed or worked in the manufacture of a single gun. His name sounded good.

Sears did not manufacture any of the guns that they sold. Instead, they had manufacturers bid on classes of guns. Your Sears-marketed .30-30 may have been made by Winchester one year and the same “model” by Marlin the next. While the guns are completely different, they both were .30-30 rifles sold by Sears. Parts interchangeability may be limited to a couple of butt stock screws and the rear sight elevator.

So, How Do You Know?

So how do you know? Often there are parts codes, or model numbers that are not the same as the manufacturer’s. Numrich Arms Company has an extensive parts catalog that has a very informative list of who made what. You may even find out who made your Western Field .22 rifle, and what parts are available. They also have parts lists, schematics and very helpful employees. Don’t forget to check the internet (also listed as The Gun Part Company).

No, You Are Not Done Reading Yet!

There are books on firearms disassembly which are well worth their cost — not only for the firearms they describe, but also for the disassembly methods used by the designers. These seem to be repeated, at least in part, for many different guns.

Time To Consider Safety And Tools

About now, if not before, it will be time for you to pick up some tools and get ready to clean your gun. Before you do so, two more subjects must be covered. These topics are safety and tools.

Screwdrivers

First we will cover tools. Do not touch a gun with a carpentry type of screwdriver. If you look at most screwdrivers the blade tapers to a point. If you look at gunsmithing screwdrivers, the blade has parallel flats, with a flat edge that matches the slot in the screw. The fit of the blade into the slot is critical to keep from dam-



Bore Cleaning Jags (At top is a Proprietary Dewey Brand.)

aging the screw, and worse, the finish of the gun in the area around the screw.

Punches And Hammers

The other most common fastener that holds gun parts together is a pin. These can be solid, or hollow (called roll pins because of the way they are formed). Solid pins may also have a slight taper to fit tightly in their holes. Roll pins compress slightly when inserted in their holes. These two types of pins require two different types of punches to remove them, and are sold in sets of appropriate sizes.

You will also need a *small* hammer to drift out the pins. These are usually made of brass, and often have a plastic striking face on one side. Tools for basic gunsmithing are often sold in basic sets, and are well worth the investment, as they will help to prevent damage to the gun you are working on.

Many companies sell this equipment, such as Brownells, Natchez Shooter Supplies, Midway, E-Bay and many others found on the internet.

Gun Cleaning

Next, some brief instructions on gun cleaning — first the cleaning of the barrel. Huge amounts of damage can be done when a firearm is improperly cleaned. One of the most common types of damage we see (after damaged screws) is damage to the muzzle of the gun.

Important To Accuracy

While cleaning firearms is important to accuracy, and to prevent rust, you are very likely to damage your firearm by improper cleaning. The first consideration is, when are you next shooting that weapon? If it is in the near future, total cleaning is definitely not necessary.

For a precision rifle, the first shot from a clean bore (often referred to as a cold



Cleaning Rods For Different Calibers

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barrel shot) will have a slightly different point of impact. This is a result of residual cleaning fluids in the bore, which, along with jacket fouling, can change the coefficient of friction between the bullet and the rifle bore.

For Periods Of Storage

Firearms that are going to be stored for long(er) periods of time benefit from a more thorough cleaning to ensure you remove all particles of unburned powder, burned powder residue, bullet jacket materials, shot shell plastic residue and any dirt and moisture deposited by use. A heavier application of oil will help prevent rust formation.

Cleaning The Barrel

The first thing to determine is whether or not you can clean the barrel from the breach (back) end. For bolt action rifles, break open rifles and shotguns, and some lever action rifles, this involves removing the bolt. Owner's manuals and/or research will help with this question.

If you cannot clean from the breach end with a traditional type of cleaning rod, give serious consideration to using one of the woven-rope type bore-cleaning tools.

Many Types Of Rods: Steel, Brass, Aluminum

Cleaning rods come in many types and materials. In the old days, one piece steel or brass rods were common. Steel and newer stainless-steel rods have very hard surfaces. This prevents imbedding of metal from the shop floor or dings in the rod. Imbedded metal, or dings will cause scrapes and scratches in the bore.

These rods, if not properly centered in the bore, using a bore guide, can damage the lands and grooves of the rifling in the bore, muzzle and chamber throat. If used from the muzzle end (as was often done), this can wear away metal, resulting in an oval shape muzzle that significantly degrades accuracy.

The brass rods would easily allow metal to be imbedded, causing scratches, but were soft enough to not directly damage the bore. All damage would be from the imbedded metal.

Jointed (sectioned) steel rods that were in early cleaning kits and military rifle field cleaning kits have the additional problem of metal fragments lodging in the joints, and were not usually issued with any type of bore guide. Newer cleaning kits often contain aluminum jointed rods. These have many of the problems described above.

Most Often Used Now

One piece carbon fiber, and coated stainless steel rods are now most often used. The coatings on these rods need to

be very tough, to prevent debris embedding, and soft enough to not damage the rifling in the bore. Most have handles that are comfortable to hold, and have a swivel located in the front part of the handle to allow the bore brush or patch to freely rotate as it follows the twist of the rifling during the cleaning process.

Be sure to purchase any necessary adapters if they do not have a standard type threading, such as the excellent Dewey Brand, which uses special proprietary tips and brushes, but works just as well when used with the supplied rod adapter.

Correct Size

Cleaning rods come in sizes for different calibers. It is important to obtain and use the correct size rod for your rifle's bore. A rod that has a large diameter has the potential to damage the rifling, and one that is too small will flex, and ride on the side of the bore.

Rods range from the .17 calibers to the big bore, and special shotgun sizes, but do not take up a huge amount of room. They are also found in lengths from short pistol rods to appropriate ones for long target barrels. They are a worthwhile investment. As with any tool, rods should be maintained by wiping down with a soft cloth and inspecting the rod's surface.

Bore Guides

Bore guides are tubular devices that fit inside the receiver and perform two primary functions. First, they serve to align the brush and rod with the bore. This centering of the rod minimizes chances for any damage to the rifle bore. The second function is to keep bore-cleaning solvents out of the action and magazine area of the rifle. These solvents can flush away lubricants needed for the rifle to operate properly. These lubricants can then get gummy and attract a buildup of dirt.

Again, there are many types and sizes, for different bore sizes and different action lengths. Most of the manufacturers of cleaning equipment have a variety of bore guides for your price range and needs. Some of the available bore guides are caliber and action-length specific while others are multi caliber and adjustable.

Bore Brushes

Bore brushes are often purchased by price, with no attention as to type or purpose. The most common type is the Phosphor bronze brushes that are bristles on a twisted wire. Wires can be made of various materials, and can affect brush performance, such as steel wires making the brush stiffer.

Rifles with custom barrels, or highly accurate factory barrels should use brushes with softer wires, to further reduce any chance of damage to the bore. The material in these brushes is very compatible with standard bore solvents that do not



Adjustable Bore Guide

contain copper solvents, as these solvents are powerful enough to work on the brush.

Brushes with stainless-steel bristles are best reserved for revolver cylinder chambers. Brushes with nylon bristles are best for copper solvent bore cleaners. In every case, the brush should be properly sized for its intended use.

Do not fall into the trap of buying an



Cleaning Rods: Top Rod, Stainless Steel; Bottom Rod, Coated

oversized brush with the belief that it is harder to push through the bore, so it will clean better/faster. This assumption is not only false, but can cause damage.

A Pause And Reminder

This is a good spot to pause, so until next time, good luck and safe shooting!



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FATHER'S DAY GIFTS FOR SHOOTERS

Any One Of These Will Delight Your Dad

BY JOHN ANDERSON

Father's Day is coming up sooner than you think, and sometimes dads can be super hard to buy for. If dad is a shooter, we've got you covered – here are some ideas for gifts any shooting dad would be delighted to receive.

Peltor Electronic Hearing Protectors

Every shooter needs hearing protection, and Peltor makes the ones Margie and I wear. We love the electronic ones – you can hear conversation, but they electronically detect the sound of gunshots and muffle them. We bought our new daughter-in-law a pair for her wedding shower gift.

You seriously cannot go wrong with a



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set of these. You'll be the favorite kid after this. You can find them on Amazon and at good sporting goods stores. The Sport Tactical 500 model is \$120 on Amazon.

Game Unit Map

If your dad is a hunter, he would love to have a good topo map of his favorite hunting unit. You can pick up a great one at Wide World of Maps in Phoenix. They range in price from around \$20-40 depending on the size of the unit. They'll show him public land, water, and even Game and Fish data.

The maps are tough and waterproof – the perfect gift. Wide World of Maps was on Indian School Road just west of the I-17 forever, but they recently moved a few miles east and they are now located at 2133 East Indian School Road. You can also buy online at www.maps4u.com. (Hint: Enter your email at the pop-up window and get 10 percent off.)

Swagger Bipods

A bipod reduces fatigue and improves your shooting immensely, but the trouble I've always found with them is that they are stiff. You can't swing around from side to side or really even move your gun up and down easily with most bipods.

But Swagger bipods are incredible – they have "crazy legs" that are flexible, independently adjustable (one-handed!), and retractable. They are shock-corded and automatically connect when deployed from the chassis that mounts to your stock.

You can seriously use these sitting, lying, or even standing, and you can move right, left, up, or down. They are amazing. You need to go to www.swaggerbipods.com and check them out. The field model is around \$200 and the treestand/blind model is around \$210.

Alien Gear Shapeshifter Starter Kit

This is a holster system that includes everything Dad needs to carry four different ways – just a couple of quick steps gives him these options: IWB holster, appendix carry holster, OWB belt slide, and



A hunt-unit map from Wide World of Maps is the perfect gift for a hunting dad. If Dad prefers hiking or off-roading, or even just traveling the highways, they've got the perfect maps.



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OWB paddle holster. All the options are secure and comfortable, and even the belt slide is sturdy and stable.

The OWB (Outside the WaistBand) can be equipped with adjustable active retention, passive retention, or both – trust me, Dad will love this holster system. They are made in America and have a Forever Warranty as well as a 30-day Test Drive. Check them out at www.aliengearholsters.com.

The system is a hair under \$100 and you'll need some info about dad's gun. You can order online at the website above. If you don't have the details about dad's gun, you can get a gift certificate. Just hover over the "shop now" tab, then click on "extras".

Off-Road Adventure

Give Dad a day he'll never forget by renting a couple of UTVs and taking him out, or better yet – get him a guided UTV trip with sizemattersrentals.com. We actually ran into this guy in a box canyon and he's the real deal – Dad will have an absolute blast riding with this guy. He can pilot a rental or ride along if he'd rather just enjoy the scenery.

All you have to do is give Mike a call and let him know what you had in mind. He can handle anything. The number to call is 623-262-0026 or go online to www.sizemattersrentals.com.

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Swagger bipods will let Dad shoot from any position and allow him to change positions instantly.

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HUALAPAI MOUNTAINS AND KINGMAN

This Is A Gorgeous, Cool Summer Getaway

BY MARGIE ANDERSON

Every year on the way to the SHOT Show in Vegas, we pass through Kingman, Ariz., and see the sign for the Hualapai Mountain Park turnoff. For years we've been saying that we would love to go there, and this year we finally did it. Now we wish we hadn't waited so long!

Kingman itself has great restaurants, lots of history, and fun things to do outside and in. The mountains are awesome, with pine forests, fantastic rock formations, and ten miles of hiking trails, plus lots more.

Hualapai Mountains Backcountry Byway

We wanted this trip to be an adventure, so after some research and looking at maps, we decided we would take the back way to the park, from near Yucca.



White Cliffs Wagon Trail Historic Site



Cabin In The Park

This road is a Back Country Byway and we've been on many of those. Finding the road wasn't difficult from the highway, and we had to stop at Area 66 because it was so kitschy looking, but it was closed and there was a for sale sign. Still, it was a great photo opp.

The road quickly turns to dirt, and isn't very well signed, and once we passed a ranch and went through a gate, things got dicey. The road began to follow a wash

full of *big* rocks, and the going was extremely rough and bumpy. Our pace slowed to a literal crawl.

To top it off, because of the lack of signage, we weren't completely sure we were on the right road. We could have made it, because we have a 4WD Tacoma, but it would have taken most of the day at that pace, so we decided to go back and take the short way through Kingman. The Byway is something we will do another



The General Store At The Lodge

time. Turns out it was the right choice.

Later on, we spoke to a Ranger in the park about the Byway and she told us a friend of hers went *down* from the park that way on a quad and it took him five hours! We did see some great stuff on the small part we traveled. I was looking at the map and saw a mountain named Cactus Mountain, and wondered about the name until we passed it. It was literally covered with cholla – the thickest bunch of cactus I've ever seen.

Hualapai Mountain Park

The road to the park from Kingman is only 16 miles long and it's paved all the way. The park is in the pines and covers 2,300 acres with elevations ranging from just under 5,000 feet to over 8,400 feet. There are ten miles of trails, so we only had time for a couple, but we thoroughly

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Grand Canyon National Park Changes Entrance Fee

The National Park Service (NPS) announced this spring that Grand Canyon National Park will modify its entrance fees beginning June 1 to provide additional funding for infrastructure and maintenance needs that enhance the visitor experience. Effective June 1, the park entrance fee will be \$35 per vehicle or \$30 per motorcycle, for a seven-day pass. An annual park pass will cost \$70.

The NPS last October proposed a plan to adopt seasonal pricing at Grand Canyon and 16 other national parks to raise additional revenue for infrastructure and maintenance needs. The fee structure announced today addresses many concerns and ideas provided by the public on how best to address fee revenue for parks.

Ensures Quality Experience

Revenue from entrance fees remains in

the National Park Service and helps ensure a quality experience for all who visit. Here in Grand Canyon National Park, 80 percent of entrance fees stay in the park and are devoted to spending that supports the visitor. We share the other 20 percent of entry fee income with other national parks for their projects.

Over Six Million Visitors

“Grand Canyon National Park welcomed over 6 million visitors last year and we are committed to ensuring that all visitors have a memorable experience. Infrastructure improvements — similar to renovations at Mather Point and the Grand Canyon Visitor Center several years ago — will contribute to one-of-a-kind visits,” said Grand Canyon Superintendent Chris Lehnertz.

The additional revenue from entrance fees at Grand Canyon will be applied towards funding the replacement of the Transcanyon Waterline and associated water and wastewater utility systems. Other deferred maintenance projects include trails, road and historic building maintenance.

Record-Breaking Visitation

National parks have experienced record breaking visitation, with more than 1.5 billion visitors in the last five years. Throughout the country, the combination of aging infrastructure and increased visitation affects park roads, bridges, buildings, campgrounds, water systems, bathrooms, and other facilities. Maintenance deferred on these facilities amounts to \$11.6 billion nationwide backlog.

Entrance Fees Since 1926

Entrance fees collected by the National Park Service totaled \$199.9 million in Fiscal Year 2016. The NPS estimates that once fully implemented, the new fee structure will increase annual entrance fee revenue by about \$60 million.

Grand Canyon National Park has had an entrance fee since 1926. The current rate of \$30 per vehicle or \$25 per motorcycle has been in effect since 2015. The park is one of 117 in the National Park System that charges an entrance fee. The remaining 300 sites are free to enter.

Special Passes

The price of the annual America the Beautiful National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Annual Pass and Lifetime Senior Pass will remain \$80.

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enjoyed them. Trails are well marked, clean, and well signed. They are also very well maintained.

Potato Patch

The first one we tried was a very short trail called Potato Patch. It went uphill



Cactus Mountain On The Byway



A View From Potato Patch Trail

to a gorgeous lookout, passing the biggest boulder I’ve ever seen on the way. At the lookout there are stone steps leading you to the view. I’m a sucker for stone steps on a trail. The whole trail was shady and beautiful, and there were other great viewpoints along the way.

Nature Loop

The other trail we took was a short Nature Loop near the Visitor Center. It meandered a bit and had several side trails, and there were no signs telling about the plants, so it wasn’t like any other Nature Trail I’ve been on, but we saw squirrels, tons of birds, and lots of deer sign. It was a fun little hike and we didn’t see any other people. This was in April and it was on a Friday.

The Visitor Center

The Visitor Center has maps and info, as well as water bottles, shirts, hoodies, and stuff like that for sale. I highly recommend stopping here to chat with the rangers about the park and the best places to go. When we talked to her, she told us that all the cabins and sites were already reserved for the weekend. This place is big, so it gets a lot of use.

They have a cabins that will accommodate anywhere from 2 to 14 people, plus teepees, and lots of tent camping and an RV park with full hookups. They also have areas for large groups. Day use is \$7 per car. You can check out the various



Boulder Along The Potato Patch Trail

cabins and things at the website: www.mcparks.com.

Day Use/Cabins/Lodge

The day-use areas are great — we stopped and used a table in the pines and there was a pit toilet and trash cans available. This was in April, at that elevation it was chilly in the shade, but it was still really nice to be in the pines eating a picnic lunch. After that, we drove every single road in the park, stopping for the views and to take photos of flowers.

The cabins are lovely, and there are tons of campsites. There is even a lodge at the top with a general store and restaurant. Their website is www.hmresort.org. Our map showed a small lake at the top, but we couldn’t find it. There is a lot of private property up there and many of the roads are marked “no trespassing” and have locked gates. We went back and asked the ranger about it, and she said the lake was more of a cattle tank and it was on private property. So much for my dreams of trout fishing!

Sites In Kingman

White Cliffs Wagon Trail Historic Park
One of the fun places we went to in Kingman is the White Cliffs Wagon Trail Historic Park. It’s part of an old wagon trail that was used in the late 1800s to bring ore from the Stockton Hill Mines to the railroad. The wagon wheels cut deep ruts into the rock that are still there, along with divots along both sides that were used for posts and ropes to help the wagons up and down the slope. There was absolutely no one there when we went. It’s next to a big cliff that is apparently a favorite hangout — lots of graffiti.

You cross over a little bridge and there are arrows on the rocks to show you the way. Once you get to it, you can’t miss

it — the rock is white and the ruts are very deep. We loved it there. To get there, just follow Grandview Avenue north from Beale Street, turn right onto Lead Street, then go left on Darby Lane which is also White Cliff Road. The parking is off to the right side of the road. You really can’t miss it.

Camp Beale Springs

A place we wanted to see but couldn’t was Camp Beale Springs. If you go to Kingman and you want to see it, make sure you call 928-757-7919 and find out where to go to get a free permit. You need that permit on your window to avoid getting arrested. Apparently, vandals were trashing the place, so they instituted the permit system to remedy the situation.

There is a gate at the trailhead that we could have gotten through easily, but I have an aversion to being arrested. I did call the number and I found out that the permits are free, and you just pick them up downtown, but the office closed at 5 p.m. and it was 4:45 when I called. So we missed that, but we’ll see it next time.

The spring was used by Native Americans for centuries; then a guy named Beale set up a stop on the wagon road and it was called Beale’s Spring. Then it was used as a temporary Army outpost. So there is a lot of history there. I wish I could tell you what the spring looks like, but I have no idea.

Another Time

We did a lot more stuff in Kingman and took the northern part of Route 66 on the way home, but I don’t have time to tell you about that stuff this month. Another time! Meanwhile, if you’re looking for a beautiful, cool getaway this summer, consider Hualapai Mountain Park. It’s gorgeous.

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PAPER MAP OR GPS?

Each Has Its Positives And Negatives

BY MARGIE ANDERSON

I grew up in a world without personal computers or cell phones, and since I also grew up hunting, I know how to use and read a paper map. In fact, with a topo-quadrant map and a compass, I can pinpoint my location quickly and easily. I love paper maps and I have a lot of them, but I also use GPS extensively. In fact, I use both because paper maps and GPS or electronic maps both have their strengths and weaknesses. For me, GPS will never replace a paper map.

Topo Quadrant Maps

I have an entire set of topo quadrant maps on my iPhone and they work even when I'm offline. I also have some map apps that don't work when I'm offline, which is a pain. Don't get that kind. When I bought the map app it was only around eight bucks, but I had to download every single map and that took a long time – you can only select a certain number of them at a time.



This is a close-up of the 1:100,000 scale map showing Copperopolis. You can see it has quite a bit of detail. The colored lines show roads we have driven.

A Bigger Picture

Then, when I bought a new phone, all my maps were gone! However, when I reloaded them, at least all my pins were still there. What I like about the electronic map is that I can see my current position as a little dot moving on the map. However, the portion of the map that is in view is so small – as small as a phone screen. A paper map gives you a much bigger picture, so you can see farther down the road so to speak.

Electronic Map

The electronic map gives me the ability to “drop a pin” and mark things on my map. I can show where I saw deer, water, etc. But I can do that on a paper map as well, and I can find those marks much easier on a paper map. I can also begin to see patterns on a paper map. Often when I get home, I look at the electronic map and transfer information to my paper maps.

Maps, Dots At Wide World Of Maps

Speaking of dropping pins, one of my favorite paper maps is the one in my office. It's a map of the state of Arizona and it's covered with pins. It shows where we have had adventures with our granddaughters. It's a big deal to all of us to put new pins in the map. Now that they are growing up and having adventures with their friends, I bought each of them their own map, along with some 1/8-inch dots to use instead of pins. I started them both out by putting dots everywhere that has a pin on my map. You can get the maps and dots at Wide World of Maps.



Here is a 1:100,000 scale map of the Bradshaw Mountains, with a pen pointing to Copperopolis. You have a much bigger area to see, so you can get a better feel for where you are.

Paper Maps

If you look at a paper map or even an atlas, it will have a date. I have some forest maps that are so old that they still show Highway 666 between Safford and Springerville! So, one advantage that a GPS map has is that it may potentially have more recent information on it. But that is only if updates are available.

GPS For Backup

When I am using my topo maps on my phone, I often find that we are passing roads that are not on the electronic map. I also find roads that are on the map but no longer exist in real life. I use maps extensively when we are out on the UTV or on back roads in the truck, and I always make sure I have paper maps. The GPS is sort of a backup.

Paper Maps Do Not Run Out Of Batteries

A paper map may get out of date, but it will never run out of batteries. It works even if it is cloudy and even if I have no cellular service at the moment. Since we spend so much time hunting and exploring, I like to have a variety of maps. I buy travel and recreation maps so I can see all the camping and boat launching areas, as well as attractions and monuments, especially when planning a trip with the grandkids.

Scale Maps Show Details

For adventuring with my husband, I like the various 1:100,000 scale maps that Wide World of Maps carries. These give you a lot more detail than a state map can, but they cover a much larger area than those individual quadrant maps do. They have enough detail to show jeep trails, windmills, water holes, etc. I have quite a collection of them.

On a paper map, you can use highlighters to show the roads you have taken, and you can make notes and look for roads that you'd like to take in the future. If you are just out exploring, a paper map will show you what is down a road that you are passing, and tell you the name of that



mountain off in the distance. I still use the electronic map everywhere we go, but I have to leave my phone plugged in all the time because it really sucks the battery dry. A paper map never does that.

Why So Many Maps?

I have a set of four maps that cover Arizona – NE, NW, SE, SW. These are excellent when we are planning a long trip with the girls. They give a little more detail than a map of the whole state, and it's easy to choose a route that is easily doable and still leave us plenty of time to explore anything interesting we see along the way.

Atlases

One reason why I have so many paper maps is that with a paper map you have to choose between area and detail. One way to get both is to buy one of those “Arizona Atlas & Gazetteers” by Delorme at Wide World of Maps. They cover the entire state in pretty good detail.

The drawback is that it seems as if I am always on the edge of a page! On the back, it shows the state with lines dividing it up and page numbers so you can find yourself quickly. Those atlases are awesome – they show contour lines and quite a bit of detail, and they are compact and never need to be folded, plus they are a steal at \$18.95.

GPS Maps On Anglers' Boats

Most of my fishermen friends use a GPS map on their boat. They are amazing, but it sometimes seems as if you spend more time trying to figure out how to find the information you need than you spend fishing. GPS and electronic maps can be complicated, and if you've ever accidentally wiped out your whole route by touching one thing by accident, you



This is a screenshot of my topo map on my phone, showing Copperopolis in the center. You have good detail but can see very little area.



This is the map I have in my office, with pins marking all our adventures with the grandkids.

will know what I mean. Sometimes I can't even figure out which way is north on those things! But I surely do love being able to see where I am without whipping out the old compass and making lines.

Paper Maps Can Never Be Replaced

A GPS can let you down. Once when John was still working, he asked me how to get to a certain place, so I entered the address on my map app and told him what it said. Turns out it was sending him down a road that doesn't exist, and it took him forever to get where he wanted to be. Another time, my map app had me going the wrong way down a one-way street. Those map apps have their place, but as far as I'm concerned they will never replace paper maps.



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Western Wildlife



Fox Tests Positive For Rabies

The Coconino County Public Health Services District (CCPHSD) confirmed in May that a fox tested positive for rabies. The fox was found in a wooded area north of Interstate 40, west of Milton Road and south of University Ave. in west Flagstaff.

The fox was captured and tested after residents walking in the area reported the animal attacked their dog and bit them when they intervened. The individuals are receiving post-exposure rabies prophylaxis treatment.

CCPHSD is reminding individuals to use caution to protect against rabies exposure when hiking, camping or in situation where wildlife may be present. Health officials recommend the following precautions to protect against rabies:

- Avoid wildlife, especially those exhibiting unusual wildlife behaviors which can include; showing no fear of humans, aggressive behavior, staggering and/or acting sickly, and nocturnal mammals active during daytime.
- Keep all pets current on vaccinations and obey leash laws.
- Always keep pets away from wild animals.
- Never pick up, touch, or feed wild or unfamiliar animals, even if they do not appear sick or aggressive.
- Report any wild animal exhibiting erratic or aggressive behavior.



JOHN LEFFMANN

Red Fox

- Seek immediate medical attention if bitten by or have contact with a wild animal.
- Pet owners should seek medical care from their veterinarian if their pet is bitten by wildlife.

To report unusual wildlife sightings or behavior, call the Coconino County Public Health Services District Animal Management Program at 928-679-8756. To report a wildlife emergency call 911.

FEEDING WILDLIFE

Doing So Can Create A Threat To People, Pets

People who feed wild animals are creating a public safety problem in Arizona's Rim Country. Incidents of wildlife endangering people and their pets in this region have increased over the past few months, including the following:

• An elk regularly fed by Pine residents reportedly charged several individuals in separate instances. One woman was forced to take refuge in a greenhouse on her property to escape.

• Also in Pine, a young male elk entered a resident's yard through an open gate and began stomping on her dog. The dog later died from its injuries.

• A Pine resident freed an elk that had its antlers entangled in a tire swing (pictured). But the elk returned the next day because residents continued to set out food.

• In Strawberry, herds of increasingly aggressive javelina have rushed local residents. One man who was charged by a javelina killed it in self-defense.

More than a dozen elk and deer deaths have been reported to AZGFD in this region. In each case, residents were intentionally or inadvertently feeding the animals.

Aggressive behavior toward people by



elk and javelina is unusual, but feeding increases the frequency of these conflicts. Wildlife that become comfortable around humans lose their natural fear and can become bold and aggressive.

In these recent reports to AZGFD, the aggressive behavior by wildlife appears unprovoked. Habituated animals often must be euthanized when they become a threat to human safety.

"The feeding and resulting habituation often causes these bold and increasingly aggressive behaviors, and can lead to animal deaths," said Arizona Game and Fish Department Wildlife Manager Joseph Sayer. "When you feed wildlife, you're

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sizemattersrentals.com. Mike is totally down to earth and even takes military personnel to Alaska for survival training. Dad will be in good hands and will have the time of his life.

Kayak Adventure

If Dad is more of river rat than a desert rat, how about a guided kayak adventure down the Verde River? We did this with the granddaughters a couple of years ago and it was absolutely awesome. You paddle and float for about two hours down a gorgeous part of the Verde, and there are even a couple of fun chutes and riffles.

This is a trip that you should take your dad on together because it's awesome to float down a river and talk to someone you love. The whole trip, including shuttle time, is about three and a half hours. You don't have to worry about tipping over or falling in – first of all, that's pretty rare, and second, the river is only about two or three feet deep most of the time.

For an adult, the cost is just \$86.40 plus tax and a Clarkdale permit fee of \$5.50. The scenery is gorgeous and there is a lot of history there as well. We are headed back later this year with our youngest son and his new bride.

Go to www.clarkdalekayak.com to book or get more information, and be sure to check www.groupon.com to see if there are any specials! You can also get gift certificates on the Clarkdale Kayak website.

Affordable Practice Ammo

Give Dad the gift of fun – get him a couple boxes of Winchester USA Forged Ammo. This ammo has steel cases to save on costs, with the same brass-jacketed lead bullets and clean burning powder as their other fine ammunition. It's designed for practice and fun shooting, so it's very economical.

Happy Father's Day, Dad!

It comes in boxes of 150 rounds –



enough for a fun day out in the desert or at the range. The ammo is reliable and well made in the USA. You can find it at Cabelas: 150 rounds of 9mm is \$35. So far, 9mm is the only caliber available.

Pepper Ball Lifelite

LifeLite is a flashlight with a PepperBall launcher cleverly concealed inside. Dad can openly carry this bad boy anywhere, and feel confident and protected. Or, he can toss it in his glove box or in his briefcase.

The PepperBall is a projectile that contains a powerful pepper irritant that immediately incapacitates an attacker. It can be launched up to 60 feet and the flashlight also has a laser to help you aim and operate the launcher precisely. The laser also serves as a deterrent.

I'm thinking of getting one of these to ward off the loose dogs who seem to prowl our neighborhood now and then. Our little French Brittany was attacked three different times by pit bulls, and one of these would have made a huge difference.

A regular pepper spray can waft back on you when you deploy it, which is distressing for both you and your dog. But a PepperBall only affects an area of about a three to five foot radius around where it hits. You don't have to make a direct hit – just hitting the ground near the target will diffuse the threat.

There are plenty of how-to videos on their website, so check it out at www.pbllifelite.com. The LifeLite Kit comes with everything you need and it's \$299.99.



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Rosie Anderson Was A Wonderful Companion

BY MARGIE ANDERSON

We recently lost our old French Brittany, Rosie. She was an amazing hunter, a tireless hiker, a lover of children, and a fishing fool. She had almost reached the ripe old age of 17 – she would have been 17 in September of this year. We miss her terribly.

The past couple of years or so, though, she gradually let us know that her adventuring days were over. When a dog starts to age, they can't talk to you, but you can tell from observation if they are in pain, and you can sense that they have lost their zest for certain activities.

Rosie On The Boat

Rosie always loved to go on the boat with us, and she would race over whenever one of us set the hook. She kissed every fish before it was released. In fact, the



Rosie got so excited when either of us caught a fish!

minute John started to uncover the boat, she would begin to follow him around, sticking to him like glue as if to make sure we couldn't sneak off without her. As her arthritis progressed, however, she found it more and more uncomfortable to be on the boat. I tried putting cushions and blankets down, but she wouldn't lie on them.

Then one day John uncovered the boat and she didn't follow him around. It was clear to us that her desire to go boating was gone. Bass boats can be very uncomfortable for old dogs – they bounce around a lot at speed, and the carpet doesn't have much padding. Even if I held her on my lap she suffered. It was time to start leaving her home.

Rosie On A Hike

Hiking was the same. Every year we do the AAWL Walk to Save Animals, and



This is Rosie in her hunting boots. She was a fantastic pointer.



Here's how I like to remember my Rosie.



This is Rosie at 16.



Granddaughter Emily did this sketch of Rosie for Margie's birthday last year.

we do the longer walk. Two years ago, she couldn't finish. We had gone about a mile and she just sat down and looked at me. My granddaughter Emily and I took turns carrying her back to the tents. Older dogs seem to always get arthritis, and walking is good for them, but too much walking does more harm than good. I let her tell me how far she could go.

At the end there, it was all she could do to get around the block. She still loved to go outside with us, so trips that didn't involve too much hiking were fine. Just because your dog is old, you don't have to exclude them from everything – you almost have to treat them like a human toddler: do the fun stuff, just not as hard and as far as you did before.

Rosie In A Game Of 'Fetch'

Even with as simple a thing as a game of fetch they will let you know that they have lost interest. When she was young, Rosie would drive you crazy bringing things to you endlessly so you could throw them. She'd race to pick it up and

race right back to do it again. Then suddenly one day a few years ago she didn't go after it. We kept trying, but it was just too much effort for her. Getting old is better than dying young, but it's still hard.

Rosie On A Shorter Walk

Near the end we didn't do much more than that short walk early in the morning, and maybe another short walk in the evening if it was cool. She sometimes didn't even seem excited about the walk, but she always went. And even though she was nearly deaf and blind, she always got to her feet and came to greet us when we got home, and not just us – every visitor got a nuzzle from her.

She was the most loving dog I have ever met. She didn't have a mean bone in her body. I had almost 17 awesome years with her and I'm grateful for that. If you have an older dog, pay attention to what their actions and attitudes are telling you. Don't quit exercise, just keep in mind that some things might cause them pain.

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Will You Help This Wonderful Organization?

Hello everybody! We hope this update finds you all doing well and looking forward to summer.

A lot has happened over the last few months. We have many new additions to the Fur and Feather family. Our new caretaker is really good with the handling of the animals. He keeps up with cleaning the property, which is a constant battle.

Sadly, he is leaving us July first so we will be looking for a new caretaker. Animal compassion and experience are musts. Fur and Feather is looking for volunteers to help out with playing with the

dogs and petting cats. They can never get enough love.

Kindness And Patience

Sarah Ross is the only trainer able to work with the special needs cases of dogs; however, six months ago, Josh, caretaker, began working with Sarah learning how to handle these dogs and he is doing a lot of great work. This is the first person to come to FFAA who is great with all the dogs and shows them a lot of attention. He is willing to take time to learn about each dog and shows kindness and patience.

As for other news; It is good to report we have many other animals up for adoption and have placed other pets in their forever homes this past year. Included in residency at Fur and Feather are disabled or elderly dogs and cats, non-adoptable permanent residents and highly adoptable dogs of different sizes, types, and personalities. If you are interested in learning more about us give us a call to make an appointment to come and visit.

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Molly Brown



Felix



Camping At Fur & Feather

ROSIE

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Making Rosie Safe And Comfortable

If you take a dog of any age on a boat, make sure you have a life vest on them. No matter where you take them, make sure you have plenty of water for them. Stash a few days' worth of any medications they are on in your vehicle in case of emergency, and do your best to use cushions and blankets to make things more comfortable for them. Rosie even had a seat belt!

Wonderful Years With Rosie

Long after she didn't go hunting with us, Rosie was still our companion: on the boat, on hikes, on walks, and even just gardening in the back yard. Old dogs may lose their zest for adventure, but they never lose their love for you, so keep them close and include them as much as you can. I hope you have as many wonderful years with your dog as we did.



Rosie loved road trips. Here she is with John, Trinity, and Emily, who was just starting to walk when Rosie joined our family.

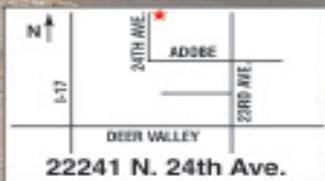
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Shelter Maintenance

Lost Our Home is in need of volunteer(s) who can provide assistance with basic maintenance around the shelter. We need someone who can assist with changing air filters, changing out lights, fixing doors, and light construction projects. If this sounds like a project you'd like to help with, please contact Tracey Varga at tracey@lostourhome.org. Thank you!

Front Desk Assistance

We are in desperate need of additional assistance at the front desk! As I'm sure you all know, things get pretty crazy up front! We are looking for some help on days and times when it's especially busy. Front desk volunteers help direct traffic, answer phone calls, and help with some miscellaneous administrative tasks.

Become An Animal Ambassador

What is an Animal Ambassador, you ask? An Animal Ambassador is an advocate for an adoptable dog or cat. We have many long-timer animals (especially cats!) who could need *your* help to find their forever homes!



Cats in Need: Marge, Lil Foot, Pauly, Gustav
Dogs in Need: Queenie, Budda, Roscoe

Calling All Cat Lovers!

We have volunteer openings for cat-loving individuals at Petsmart on Priest and Elliot in our adoptable cat rooms. Responsibilities include cleaning, feeding, socializing the cat/kittens, and talking to potential adopters. What better way to help us find homes for our amazing cats and kittens?

If you are interested or have any questions, please contact our wonderful Petsmart Lead, the amazing Florine Anchordoguy, at fanchordog@cox.net.

SOS Volunteer Mentors

Summer is our busy season and we need *your* help! Volunteer mentors are a very important part of our organization. They help train incoming volunteers, retain existing volunteers, and are available to lend a hand. We are looking for volunteers who would like to become more involved and are interested in helping volunteers with buddy days and beyond. If you are interested, please email me at emily@lostourhome.org.

Animal Care Technician Training

Our hard-working staffers need help! We are always in need of volunteers to assist our Animal Care Techs during their shifts throughout the day. Remember, a clean shelter = healthy and happy

animals! This special training will allow you to shadow a ACT to learn all of our protocols and procedures. If interested, please email Tracey Varga at tracey@lostourhome.org.

Animal Enrichment Workshop

What is enrichment? Enrichment refers to mental and physical stimulation. Allowing animals to think, learn, and explore goes a long way to keeping them behaviorally healthy in the shelter.

Sign up to learn about the importance of Animal Enrichment and engage in some exciting new enrichment activities and projects!

Play Group Training

Playing with other dogs is an integral part of canine mental and physical health and happiness. Did you know when dogs play together for 20 minutes, it's equivalent to a three-hour walk with a human? Learn more about dog playgroups, including how to manage play, identify dogs who may play well together, the process for dog introductions, and much more!

Canine Manners 101

Are you looking to learn more about dog training or become a more confident dog handler? This monthly class is to help start building training skills, help our dogs to become better-mannered, and help solve some commonly seen behavior challenges.



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How We Train Dogs And Cats

Commands needn't be commanding! Commands should never be yelled, barked, or said harshly when speaking to an animal, unless it's a dangerous situation and you're trying to call the pet away from it and need to raise your voice so the pet can hear you.

Remember to be patient and kind when training. If you're frustrated, walk away and take a break. Come back to training when you're calm and the pet is ready for another round. This will take your training abilities to the next level.

Lost Our Home Needs These

- Bleach
- Pet Nursing Kits
- Rescue Disinfectant
- Babycat Instinctive (Mother and Baby)
- Kitten Instinctive Food
- Esbilac - Puppy Milk Replacer
- Exam Gloves
- *Special Request Items: Walkie Talkies, Two-Person Desks, Cat Tents

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Ways To Help

One of the issues that comes up is that Fur and Feather is in such a rural location. We have plenty of room for people to bring their camp trailer, tents or just a sleeping bag and sleep under the stars.

We are planning work days, open house and work shops this summer. We will keep you posted. Meanwhile, there are several ways you can help now.

Our Wish List

- Fencing
- Dog and cat beds
- Paint
- Paint Supplies
- Storage Sheds
- Any building materials
- Shade cloth
- Washer and dryer
- Company animal rescue van
- Dog grooming equipment/tubs
- Pet shampoo
- Cat food-wet and dry
- Dog food - wet and dry

Future Projects

- New Kennel
- Dog washing station

Camp At Fur And Feather

Fur and Feather Animal Assistance is a far piece off the beaten path, but what if we had a place you could park your travel trailer, motor home or put up your tent? If you have a self-contained camp vehicle and want to come out and stay for awhile keep in touch. We are planning a few work days this summer and would love for you to join in the fun. Give us a call or email us as at Fur and Feather Animal Assistance.

Three Of Our Furkids

The Unsinkable Molly Brown

Fur and Feather Animal Assistance is a no-kill shelter. At this time, we have 15 Non-Adoptable dogs. We are at our maximum capacity for Non-Adoptable dogs because we do not have the staff to



Bud And Blue

care for them. We would love to take in many more, however, until we can afford permanent staff that is not possible. All of the Non-Adoptable dogs will stay forever. Molly Brown has sort of become our Mascot and she will be with us forever.

Two Of Many Looking For Forever Homes

Felix: Felix is a wonderful cat! He is loving, beautiful and has a great personality. He is an inside-outside cat and loves human attention. Felix is about five years old and has many years left. He is ready for his forever home.

Bud: Of course all the pups at Fur and Feather are so darn cute, but this fella is just too hard to resist. He has been at Fur and Feather for over a month. He is ready

for his new home. He is pretty smart. He came in to Fur and Feather with his brother, Blue. They are both cattle dog cross and six to nine months old. They are very trainable and they love children.

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not doing animals any favors. In fact, you may attracting them to their deaths."

According to AZGFD Veterinarian and Wildlife Health Program Supervisor Anne Justice-Allen, the inappropriate foods people give to wildlife also can kill them.

"Wildlife are adapted to survive on native vegetation," said Justice-Allen. "When deer, elk, and javelina eat grain or snack foods such as potato chips or kitchen scraps, they can develop conditions such as bloat, diarrhea, and bacterial infections, all of which can lead to death."

"Habituated wildlife also attract unwanted attention from both predators and people. When you attract prey animals, you'll also attract their natural predators and human hunters. We've seen an increase in disputes among neighbors when one wants to feed the wildlife, another considers it a nuisance, and still another wants to hunt it," added Officer Sayer. "When you feed wildlife you change its behavior, putting it, your neighbors and yourself at risk. Please help us keep wildlife wild."

When encountering wildlife, keep a safe distance and discourage interaction with them. AZGFD urges Rim Country residents to refrain from feeding wild animals to keep wildlife wild. Report aggressive or unusual animal behavior to the Arizona Game and Fish Department at (623) 236-7201 at any time, day or night.

Good Bye Old Friend

ZIRA – On May 14, our Production Manager Angie Ogden and her husband Tim said goodbye to their Zira Dog (aka Princess Warrior Dog). As Angie said, "She left us with a paw-shaped hole in our hearts; she will be so missed. Tim added this: "They say that dogs can understand over 100 commands – well, the Zira Dog could understand just about everything we were saying. She was a one of a kind. I had her 14 years almost to the day (May 11, 2004 until May 14, 2018). She was an incredible work of art ... and was meant to be with me for all those years! I hope she knows how much she impacted our lives and how much she was loved." We send the Ogdens our sincere condolences.



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