On The Horizon: A Season Of Lights

**Women Set Sail**

Going Up the Mast™ is just one workshop at the Sailing Convention for Women. The Sailing Convention for Women, presented by Gail Hine, will be held on Sat., Feb. 2, 2019 at the Baha Corinthian Yacht Club in Corona del Mar.

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**2018 FANTASY OF LIGHTS BOAT PARADE**

**Tempe Town Lake Lights Up For Christmas**

Light up the night and be dazzled at the Valley’s most unique holiday event. The 2018 Fantasy of Lights Boat Parade presented by Salt River Project (SRP) at Tempe Town Lake. Every year on Saturday following the Tempe Festival of the Arts weekend, Santa Clause arrives at the Tempe Beach Park by way of boat — along with festive Boats. The floating units enter Tempe Town Lake at the Tempe Town Lake Marina and make their way to the north shore. The U-shaped parade route travels west to buoy’s east of Tempe Center for the Arts, where they begin to make their way back east on Tempe Town Lake along the north shore.

**DATE:** Saturday, Dec. 8

**TIME:** 4:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Tempe Town Lake. 80 W. Rio Salado Pkwy., Tempe, AZ 85281

**PHONE:** 480-355-6060

**WEBSITE:** https://www.downtowntempe.com/events/boat-parade

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**‘Light Up Paradise’**

This Lake Havasu City event is one of the top 50 in the United States.

The Annual Boat Parade of Lights is in its 36th year and has been the must-see event of the holiday season, occurring November 30 and December 1.

Lake Havasu City’s Boat Parade of Lights has been repeatedly selected as one of the top 100 events in the U.S. by the American Bus Association. Up to 50 boats, brightly decorated in their holiday best, will delight children and adults alike.

Watch the boats cruise through the Bridgewater Channel beginning in Thompson Bay and continue under the London Bridge to the north end of the Channel, with a turnaround at Windsor Beach and back.

Bundle up and take a stroll through the Channel — the only time you’ll see the Channel packed full of boats and boaters in winter gear at night. Come cozy up with family and friends and create treasured memories of a favorite holiday tradition!

**THEME:** Light Up Paradise

**TIME:** Boat Parade starts approximately 6:30 p.m. each night.

**BOAT ENTRY:** Want to enter your boat in the parade? Anyone is welcome and prizes are given for Grand Marshal’s Award, Commodore’s Award, Best Family/Individual Award, Best Corporate Entry Award, Best First-Time Entry Award, Best Service Club/ Organization Award, Judge’s Choice Award, and Best Sparkle Award.

**ENJOY:** Boats parade participants and sponsors invite you to visit the docks in front of the London Bridge Resort where parade floats will be lit up nightly beginning at dusk. Boottiers will be permitted throughout the Channel on the island side beach areas but
BOATING

Parker
23-24 22nd Anniversary SCSC Thanksgiving Regatta - Blue Water Resort. Powerboat/speedboat racing on the Parker Strip/Colorado River. endurance, speed & circle racing, boats include Stock Outboards, Pro-Stock, Grand National (GN)’s, Cracker Box Tunnels Lights and Boats, 7 am – 7 pm. 351-318-4012 or http://www.scsccaracing.com or http://www.bluewaterfun.com or ParkerAZ.org

Lake Havasu City
30-31/1 – 50th Annual Boat Parade of Lights – Bridgewater Channel. A must-see event of the holiday season. Up to 50 boats brightly decorated in their holiday best will delight children and adults alike. Watch the boats cruise through the Bridgewater Channel beginning in Thompson Bay and continuing under the London Bridge to the north end of the Channel, with a turnaround at Windsor Beach and back. Free. 6:30 pm. 928-486-4159 or http://ibycboatparadeofflights.com

Tempe
12/8  — Light up the night and be dazzled at the Valley’s most unique holiday event, the 2018 Fantasy of Lights Boat Parade presented by SRP at Tempe Town Lake. Every year on Saturday following the Tempe Festival of the Arts weekend, Santa Claus arrives at the Tempe Town Beach by way of boat along with festive floats.

CLASSSES/SEMINARS
Phoenix
4 – 6 Annual – JTV Phoenix $ok & Half Marathon – CityScape. Selected by the USA Track & Field to be the Arizona state championship race for the sok distance, also a 5k run/walk, a wheelchair sok, a team challenge and a costume contest, includes a free kids’ dash, vendors and after race celebrations, benefits The Mollen Foundation. $25 & up. 8 am. 602-751-6692 or http://www.phoenixsok.com

Williams
9-15/5 – Polar Express - Grand Canyon

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Railway. During a one-hour evening train journey, guests enjoy treats and a reading of the classic Christmas story on the way to the North Pole. Santa boards the train at the North Pole and presents young passengers with bells representing the spirit of Christmas, sings carols on the return. $23-33. 5:30 & 7:30 pm. 800-843-8724 or http://www.the train.com

Flagstaff
12/16-28 — North Pole Experience – Little America. A family-focused holiday attraction that takes visitors on a behind-the-scenes adventure at Santa’s Workshop, children and their parents build toys with Santa’s elves and meet Santa and read stories and craft with Mrs. Claus. http://www.northpoleexperience.com

Anthem
17th Annual Lighting of Arizona’s Tallest Holiday Tree - Outlets at Anthem. A total of 80 strands of LED lights stretching 8,000 feet and more than 5,000 ornaments, and bows will decorate the tree, along with a three-foot-tall copper star at the top. A free concert with several national and local acts will lead up to the tree lighting where Santa Claus will lead the countdown and flip the switch to light the tree. Free. 5-9 pm. 623-465-9500 or http://www.outletsantherm.com

Lake Havasu City
23-5/1 – 22nd Annual Festival of Lights - English Village and London Bridge. Celebrate the holiday season as you stroll and view more than 500,000 lights on display. Santa visits every Saturday and Sunday from 6-8 pm. Free. 6-10 pm: nightly. 928-855-0888 or https:// golakehavasu.com/event/lake-havasu/festival-of-lights/

Glendale

EXPOS
Lake Havasu City
27-18 – 7th Annual Sand, Water & RV Expo – Lake Havasu State Park, Lot 4. Browse, compare and shop for the latest and greatest on in-road vehicles, trucks, sand rails, ATV’s, UTV’s, a 4 x 4, buggies, motorcycles, electric vehicles, RV’s, toy haulers, travel trailers, boats consisting of accessory products such as services, food, and beer garden, boat demo rides, Cornhole tournament. Fab 50 Classic Hot Boat show & shine. $5, children 8 & under free. Sat. 9 pm – 5 pm. Sun. 9 am – 3 pm. 955-923-0270 or https://golakehavasu.com/event/sand-water-rv-expo/

FISHING
Phoenix
SRT BASS PHOENIX CHAPTER MEETINGS. Ongoing – Shale, Rattle & Troll BASS club: volunteers needed: new members (boaters and non-boaters), families, children, friends are welcome (623) 221-7565

WATERSPORTS/ WATER-RELATED
Diving
Ongoing — SAGUARO DIVING & SPORTS’ Ongoing – Learn to Scuba Dive, Open Water Certification Dives, Private Class & Pool, Private Lake. sales@saguaroports.com

Swimming
Lake Havasu City 23 – Swim Race Across the Bridgewater Channel – London Bridge Resort. An evening of entertainment as The Festival of Lights kicks off when the London Bridge Resort hosts a swim race across the Bridgewater Channel. Free to enter and open to swimmers of all ages — residents and visitors compete for the fastest time and the honor of flipping the switch to turn on the Festival of Lights of the English Village. 988-865-0888 or http://www. londonbridgeresort.com

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Free courses offered by the Arizona Game and Fish Department:

- **Boater Education Course**
  - November 17 in Phoenix

- **Paddlesports Education Course**
  - November 3 at Lake Pleasant
  - November 10 in Phoenix
  - December 8 in Phoenix

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

Cold Water Safety

The U.S. Coast Guard reports that cold water immersion and hypothermia can occur in water as cool as 70 degrees. Even in a healthy person, cold-water immersion can impact muscle movement, breathing and heart rate. Prolonged exposure to cold water can lead to hypothermia, cardiac arrest and death.

While life jackets are required for children 12 and younger, wearing a life jacket is a simple step that could be lifesaving. If you do fall overboard, stay calm, move slowly and don’t try to take off clothing while in the water. And if the boat has capsized, it most likely will not sink and can be used as a platform. It’s advised that boaters stay on top of the capsized vessel as much as possible in order to stay out of the water.

Register your Watercraft Online

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](http://www.azgfd.gov/boating).
Recreational boaters’ advocate, Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS), reacted negatively to the recent news of the Administration’s plan to permit the sale of E15 (15 percent ethanol) fuel year-round. E15 is prohibited by federal law for use in recreational boat engines, voids many marine engine warranties, and is currently banned for sale in many states by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) during summer months over concerns that it contributes to smog on hot days.

Under the Administration’s new proposal, however, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) would grant a waiver to the Clean Air Act to permit the sale of E15 in all 50 states year-round at the same roadside gas stations where most recreational boaters refuel their trailered vessels. The BoatUS statement follows: “The proposal to permit the sale of a fuel (E15) during the peak summer boating season that is both harmful and illegal to use in marine engines is a major concern for boat owners. The nation’s 11 million recreational boaters want fuel that is safe for their boats; however, this proposed EPA policy change will increase the chances that boaters could inadvertently put engine-killing E15 into their tanks.

Unlike the physical barriers that prevent misfueling between gasoline and diesel-fuel-powered vessels, just one small orange warning label on the fuel pump is all that stands between a boat owner’s making a misfueling mistake that could lead to expensive, warranty-voiding repairs and catastrophic engine failure.”

At the core of the issue is the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS). When it was passed in 2005, 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, in 2010 the EPA granted a partial waiver to allow E15 into the marketplace – which allowed E15 into the marketplace – which

THE NUMBERS ARE IN

Boating Is Big For U.S. Economy

BoatUS: ‘Boating is more than just fun on the water.’

In a data-driven world, knowing your “numbers” is a crucial part of achieving success. And, in the halls of power of Washington, D.C., and 50 state capitals, credible data carries extra weight when it comes to advancing policies and laws that benefit recreational boaters.

That’s why Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS) is calling attention to today’s release of economic data by the Department of Commerce’s Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) that shows the significance of the outdoor industry, including recreational boating, to the U.S. economy.

FIRST, THE NUMBERS

Outdoor recreation accounted for $412 billion of the U.S. gross domestic product, representing 2.2 percent of the overall GDP.

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Sailing Convention For Women Is The Place To Learn

It’s a fun, welcoming environment for boosting sailing skills.

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This Is The Place
“This is where women sailors go to learn,” said Convention Creator/Director Gail Hine. “The Convention gives women an opportunity to meet other women sailors, discuss options for more cruising and daysailing, find out about existing women’s sailing organizations in their area as well as instructional programs available. We have something meaningful for everyone,” she added.

Top Topics, Top Teachers

Featured Speaker
To top off the event, dinner’s featured speaker is Melody Kanschat, a sailor with 40 years of sailing experience beginning in the Midwest on small boats and now in California aboard her C&C 40, Harmony. Throughout those four decades, Kanschat has applied the lessons she learned as a female skipper to her professional career in public radio, in art museums as president of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art and as executive director of the Getty Leadership Institute. Kanschat will talk about the styles and characteristics of women leaders and those pivotal moments when both skippers and crew embrace their leadership.
**A Sailboat Goes ‘Flying’**

BoatUS Catastrophe Team continues clean up in the Carolinas.

Just over a month (at press time) after Hurricane Florence lumbered ashore near Wrightsville Beach, N.C., the BoatUS Marine Insurance Catastrophe Response Team has made significant headway with recreational boat recoveries in the wake of the storm.

Here in the photo, the team carefully recovers a sailboat from the grounds of Marine Corps Cherry Point Naval Air Station. The sailboat briefly “flies” over the crane and shoreline before safely re-entering the water.

While it will be a few more weeks before BoatUS issues an official recreation-al boat estimate for Hurricane Florence, BoatUS Catastrophe Field Team Leader Mike McCook notes that many vessels were placed out of harm’s way before the storm.

“When we arrived on Sept. 16, we found some severe damage at a few marinas, but also saw that in seeking protection from the storm, many boaters had removed their boats from the water,” said McCook.

“We believe that the combination of many vessels’ being of a trailerable size, and that people in this part of the country are attuned to hurricanes and have experienced large storms before, contributed to the potential for fewer losses from Hurricane Florence,” McCook explained.

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**Survey Shows Recreational Boaters’ Challenges With Ethanol Fuels**

There is no love for the corn-ethanol mandate: 83 percent would choose E0.

A survey of recreational boaters’ experience with refueling their vessels this past summer shows little love for corn-ethanol fuel blends mandated by the federal government’s Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS).

The survey was completed by Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS), the national advocacy, services and safety group for recreational boaters, to gauge boaters’ use of ethanol-free and ethanol-fuel blends during the peak 2018 boating season.

The results identify potential misfueling issues and allow recreational boaters to be heard as RFS policy is being debated on Capitol Hill. Only fuels containing up to 10-percent ethanol (E10) are permitted.

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She will also share tips for women sailors in exerting their own leadership to be happy and productive members of any sailing crew.

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Dean Farrell Is A Lake Havasu Fan

BY MARGIE ANDERSON

Lake Havasu, on the Colorado River between California and Arizona, is one of the most popular lakes in the west for outdoor recreation of all kinds. People from both sides of the river flock there not only to fish, but also to ski, jet ski, sail, or just lie on the beach and catch some rays. Lake Havasu City is located right on the shore of the lake, and the resorts, restaurants, and shops of the city add to the allure of the area.

Dean Farrell, an Arizona tournament fisherman. Dean likes to fish the north end of the lake, in the Colorado River. "If the river bite is going," he declares, "that's where the bass will be holding along the main channel walls where trolling deep divers and casters will be holding."

Dean Farrell keeps a 6" purple and red Double D hand-poured worm tied on at all times, on light line. When a bass comes out of the tules and hits his jig or spinnerbait without taking it, he tosses the little worm in. At Havasu, almost all the fish are sight fishing. You can see the bass down in the water, and the trick is to get them to take a lure without scaring them away.

The whole lake has good weedbeds until the cold weather causes them to die off. Early in the year the weeds start to grow, and they sometimes get so thick that they block access to the backwaters by late summer. These weedbeds are good places to throw a crankbait, especially in warmer weather. Topwater lures fished over the weeds in summer are dynamic.

The northern lake has more shad and striper schools react differently. Stripers will usually 20-40 feet. Some schools will still be holding along the main channel walls where trolling deep divers and casters are Ahead.

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GREAT GIFTS FOR SHOOTERS

BY JOHN ANDERSON

Sometimes it seems like great gifts are hard to find. Do you feel like the person you’re shopping for already has everything, and what he or she doesn’t have is out of your price range? Well, if you are looking for a gift for a shooter of any age, we have some suggestions for you — here are some ideas for the holidays that won’t break the bank. Okay, there are a couple of splurges, but for the most part they’re all pretty reasonable.

APPS

First of all, whether the shooter you love is a plinker, a competitor, a hunter, or whatever, accuracy is important. Very important. Most likely, your shooter has a smart phone, so why not give him or her a gift card for the App Store?

There are some excellent ballistics apps available that will tell you exactly what to do to hit that bullseye. Just enter distance, info about the bullet, etc., and you’re ready to go.

Shooter (Ballistic Calculator) is $9.99. Ballistic: Standard Edition is $12.99, and iSnipe is $14.99. These are just a few of the apps available. Let them choose the one they want most. You can get Android and iTunes gift cards at your local grocery store, more than likely, or you can buy them online.

KNIVES

Most people who shoot also like knives. I know I do, and Margie is a knife fanatic. You don’t have to drop a bundle to get a nice knife, and the iconic Swiss Army Knife is sure to please anyone — plus they come in a variety of price points.

In fact, their 2018 Classic Limited Edition pocket knives are just $19, and come in ten different designs with favorite places from all over the world. They are seriously cute, and seriously handy because they include tweezers, a toothpick, scissors, a knife (of course), and a nail file. Check them out at www.swissarmy.com.

Here’s another great knife that won’t break the bank — Buck knives are legendary, and the Spitfire is a great knife from Buck for under $46. You can even get the handle laser engraved with up to two lines of text for the perfect gift.

It’s got a razor sharp 3-1/4 inch blade, and it’s lightweight and compact. It also has a four position removable clip so you can carry it on your belt, your pocket, in your purse, backpack, or bag. This knife is also made in the USA. You can get one on Amazon for $45.95, or you can visit www.buckknives.com and order one.

You can get one of several different options, including Boy Scout, RMEF, Blue Line with a flag with a blue line, Red Line (flag with a red line), and even a mini. On the Buck knife site the regular Spitfire knife is $15 engraved, and you can choose from grey, green, or orange, and either a straight blade or serrated. Really nice knife!

FLASHLIGHTS

For home defense, nothing beats a good light. In one of our self-defense classes we learned five different ways to hold a flashlight and shoot a pistol at the same time. But what if you didn’t have to? What if you could put a great little flashlight right in the gun? Not one of those big bruisers that adds a pound to the weapon, but a little one — say in the guide rod? Well now you can.

DeadPoint Guide Rod Weapon Light

DeadPoint lights makes a guide rod weapon light to fit full-sized Glock hand guns and they will soon have them for the smaller ones like the 26 and the 43. They are very easy to install — the video showing you how is less than two minutes long. They are small enough to put in a stocking, but the price is $199. Not cheap, but not over the top either.

I guarantee you, any Glock shooter would be delighted to find one of these beauties under the tree! Check them out at www.deadpointlights.com.

FOR ARCHERS

Some guys would rather shoot arrows than guns. I get that. So here’s something for the archer in your life. The Pro-tracker is a game-recovery system that lets you track and recover wounded animals. It’s a transmitter that attaches to the arrow and emits a specific radio frequency that you can track with the receiver.

The receiver is compact and has an easy-to-read backlit LED screen. It has a range of up to two miles and the transceiver.

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Wild turkey should not be tough and dry, but rather a delicious and versatile meat. During wild-turkey season, if you were lucky enough to harvest a bird, here is one of our most popular recipes for mouthwatering wild turkey.

Pan-Fried Wild Turkey Recipe

BY RASCHELL RULE
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Serve this pan-fried turkey with a side of vegetables or as the protein in your salad. If you prefer your meat with a crispy skin then this Pan-Fried Wild Turkey Recipe is for you.

Gobble Up This Delicious Pan-Fried Bird

BY OUTDOORCHANNEL.COM STAFF

I am a huge trial-and-error person and was not going to stick to that method of cooking. Around this same time, deep frying turkeys was the newest thing to do. Without a lot of guidance from anybody one, I decided a wild turkey would be great with this cooking method, because the fryer would lock in the moisture.

TRIAL AND ERROR

I began by making a small cut right along the ridge of the breast bone, big enough to fit your fingers into. Set your knife down and open up the turkey breast area like opening a bag of potato chips. Pull the skin down past where the breast meat inserts into the wing.

GREAT TABLE FARE

I fell in love with hunting turkeys and had to find a way to make them good table fare. Through a couple of out-of-state trips and the necessity of freezer space, I resorted to breasting out my turkeys. What an ingenious concept that has become for my family. It is all we do now.

I would like to share some tips and preparation how-to that will enable you to enjoy wild turkey as much as we do at my house. We harvest enough turkeys that we no longer buy farm-raised turkey from the store.

TRYING TO PREP

I clean those up and divide the larger breast pieces into meals. Typically I can get two meals out of one side of the breast of a decent-size tom. I will then later dice the meat chunks up and use them for a variety of dishes, including turkey Alfredo, breaded and deep fried, or stir fry. If I am going to keep the breast whole and grill it, I always pound the breasts out with a meat cleaver first.

BEST PART OF THE BIRD

Are you hungry yet? Well, I have not even gotten to the best part of the bird, the legs and thighs. What? You bet, the best part. I struggled for years with this. I was brought up not to waste what you shoot and always assumed that the legs would be tough, full of tendons and only worthy of soup. Even after boiling them in soup, they still would not tenderize. Well, I learned a new method.

• First you need to remove the legs from the bird. Start by disconnecting the hip and popping it out. Next cut along the hip bone where there are two medallions of meat on either side of the joint. Dislocate the knee joint and cut off the tendons and feathers.

• The legs are so easy to prepare. Buy two cans of soup mix, French onion and golden mushroom. Place the legs in a slow cooker and add the contents of the cans. Add some water until the meat is covered.

• Cooking time varies, but usually set on low heat before I leave for work; when I get home the meat falls off the bones.

• I shred the meat and utilize in a variety of ways. I add barbecue sauce and make pulled-turkey sandwiches, add a bit of taco seasoning and make shredded tacos, add it and the stock to soup, eating it plain with a slice of provolone cheese on a bun is also delicious.

EDITOR’S NOTE: Scott Stankowski is the senior outdoor writer for central-wisconsinoutdoorsports.net and produces weekly articles, typically highlighting getting kids active in the outdoors. His family prides itself on living off the land. Stankowski also takes the mantra into the classroom where he teaches environmental science at Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln High School. He and his sons have won numerous titles in turkey and deer calling at the state level.

Serves 2-4
Prep time: 10 minutes
Cook time: 10 minutes
Total time: 20 minutes

Ingredients
• 2 cups bread crumbs (I use Old London plain bread crumbs)
• 6 eggs
• 1 tablespoon homemade garlic powder
• 1 tablespoon homemade onion powder
• 2 pounds turkey breast, cut into strips
• Canola oil for frying

Directions
1. Preheat oil to 375 degrees.
2. Place the bread crumbs in a shallow bowl or on a plate.
3. In another bowl, whisk the eggs with the garlic and onion powder.
4. Dip fillets in eggs, then coat with crumb mixture.
5. In a large skillet over medium-high heat, heat oil and test cook with one fillet before cooking fillets in batches.
6. Fry for 3 minutes on each side or until fish flakes easily with a fork and is a deep golden brown.

More Recipes
This recipe was posted on Feb. 28, 2018, and for more turkey recipes, visit MissHomemade.com.
PORT LAND CRUISING

SAND AND WATER EXPO

If you like off-road vehicles, boats and RVs, you’re in for a treat on November 17-18 as the 7th Annual Sand-Water-RV Expo fills the eight-acre Windsor 4 special event venue at Lake Havasu State Park with over 130 exhibitors and vendors. This is the once-a-year opportunity for outdoor recreation and motorsports enthusiasts to see, compare, shop, and in some cases test drive, what their future fun-time holds. For additional information/directions/hours/admission for the 7th Annual Sand-Water-RV Expo, please visit this website: http://www.sandandwaterexpo.com

LIGHT UP THE SKY

After sundown on Saturday, Dec. 1 from 4-9:30 p.m., friends, family and thousands of event goers will come together to share personal thoughts, wishes, goals and participate in a new holiday tradition as they set free lanterns on the southeastern shores of Lake Pleasant. For more information, please visit http://www.pleasantharbor.com or call the Pleasant Harbor events line at 928-203-5173.

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Wrap Them In A Box, In A Bag, Or In A Sock

BY MARGIE ANDERSON

It’s hunting season and that means it’s also time to start thinking about holiday gifts. If you have outdoorsy types on your list, we’ve got you covered. Here are some ideas for both kids and adults, everything from stocking stuffers to splurges.

For The Kids

COZY SLEEPING BAG
Stansport has a lot of great products that are kid-friendly, including a fleece sleeping bag that comes in six different colors and costs under twenty bucks! This would be great inside the house or tent, and if it’s really cold, this is the perfect cozy liner for your child’s sleeping bag.

GOLD-PANNING KIT
If you like to camp near water, how about a youth gold panning kit? It’s only $25.99 and includes the pan, two vials for those gold nuggets and gold dust, tweezers with a magnifier, a hand trowel, and a snuffer bottle. A snuffer bottle, by the way, is a plastic bottle with a long narrow cap used to squirt water along the edges of an almost-empty gold pan to separate the gold from fine sand.

Your kids will have a blast with this kit, and who knows — they might actually find some gold!

FOR YOUR BEST FRIEND
Don’t forget your best friend — Stansport also has saddle bags for dogs so they can carry their own food and water ($25.99) and a collapsible dog bowl perfect for hiking or camping. See all their great stuff at www.stansport.com.

Camping Gear

COMPACT GRILL
As a backpacker and an ROV owner, I’m always on the lookout for great compact camping gear. One of the hardest things to find is a sturdy grill that is small enough for a backpack or go bag. The M1 Grill Kit from Wolf and Grizzly (www.wolfandgrizzly.com) is a bit of a splurge, but once you check it out you’re going to want one.

It actually rolls up into a cylinder shape and comes with a carrying case — the whole deal weighs only about a pound and a quarter, including the frame, grill, case, Firestarter tool, cleaning cloth, drying cloth, and Allen key! It’s incredibly sturdy, and the price is $119.

BIOLIOTE STOVE AND FIRE PIT
I’ve told you before about my little BioLite stove that runs on twigs and produces fire as well as power for a light or to charge my phone, but now they have a fire pit that produces a lot less smoke than a fire pit, can burn wood or charcoal, and can charge itself via the solar cover (sold separately).

The BioLite FirePit has 51 air jets that inject the fire with oxygen to make it burn efficiently, actually burning the smoke before it can escape the fire. No more constantly changing seats to escape the smoke! It costs just around $200, so yes, it’s a splurge, but it’s a great thing for a camper, a tailgater, or a hunter.

Check out all the amazing BioLite stuff and learn how they are improving the world at www.bioliteenergy.com.

SOLAR PHONE CHARGER
It’s tough to keep your phone charged when you’re on a seven-day hunt or especially a long backpacking trip. But Toughtested has you covered with a solar charger that uses InstaSense® to sort of “shake hands” with your device to provide the optimal and safest charging for your phone.

Their 16,000mAh Solar Power Bank costs just under $70 and can provide 4-6 full charges for the average smart phone. It can also charge multiple devices at once, making it a great charger for road trips too. Charge up in just 5-6 hours of sunlight.

It’s a bit big and heavy for a backpacker at 2.6 pounds, but if you’re going to be out there for days with no access to power, it’s worth carrying. For ROVers and campers, it’s ideal. See this and a bunch more chargers at www.toughtested.com.

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Tonto Christmas Tree Permits Available November 13

The Tonto National Forest will begin selling Christmas tree permits at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 13. Each Christmas tree permit is $15 and can be purchased at the following locations during hours indicated:

**Supervisor’s Office:**
- Monday – Friday, 8 am to 4:30 pm, (closed for lunch from 1 to 1:30 pm)
- 2324 E. McDowell Rd.
- Phoenix, AZ
- (602) 225-5200

**Mesa Ranger District:**
- Monday – Friday, 8 am to 4:30 pm, (closed for lunch from noon to 12:30 pm)
- 5160 E. Ingram St.
- Mesa, AZ
- (480) 610-3300

**Payson Ranger District:**
- Monday – Friday, 8 am to 4 pm, Saturday, 10 am to 2 pm on November 17 thru December 22 (closed for lunch from 12:30 to 1:30 pm)
- Payson, AZ
- 1009 E. Highway 260

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really eats the battery in my phone and the dedicated map iPad, so I’m always plugging one or the other into the Power Bank. Plus if our vehicle won’t start because of a battery problem, we’ve got it covered. They also have a little item called the Beacon Emergency Flashlight that has a red flashing SOS light for emergencies on the road, a high powered flashlight, the InstaSense® charger, and even a window breaker in case you’re trapped in the car. At less than $40, this is the perfect gift to give someone you love, especially if they spend a lot of time on the road.

Check Out UST

**LEARN AND LIVE KIT**

I could seriously do several articles just on the great gear you can find at UST (www.ustbrands.com). A lot of their gear is so reasonably priced that it qualifies as stocking stuffers — like the emergency food ration bars for your bug out bag ($7.99), emergency poncho ($1.49), and my new favorite, the Learn and Live Kit for way finding.

This kit is just $9.99 and includes a compass, wayfinding cards to teach you how to use a compass and map to navigate outdoors, and a water-resistant carrying case. The whole thing is just 4 ounces and it’s perfect for anyone who wants to start learning how to use a compass and map.

This seems to be a dying art because of smart phones, but it’s an invaluable skill. Get one of these for each of your kids and teach them how to use a map.

**Learn and Live Card For Star Gazing**

Another fantastic and fun stocking stuffer from UST is the Live and Learn Cards for star gazing. It’s under $4 and includes six cards that illustrate and describe the most recognizable constellations, along with photographs. They’re small enough to fit in your pocket, waterproof, and held together by a grommet.

Imagine how much fun you’ll have with these the next time your family is sitting by the campfire. UST has a variety of survival and readiness gear, all reasonably priced. Check them out.

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AZGFD Celebrating National Bison Day

Bison are synonymous with the great West, but not many people realize that Arizona is home to these magnificent animals.

To increase awareness and provide information about this great animal, the Arizona Game and Fish Department will host a bison viewing workshop near Flagstaff on National Bison Day, Saturday, Nov. 3.

The workshop will take place at the Arizona Game and Fish Commission-owned Raymond Wildlife Area (RWA) 30 miles east of Flagstaff. Sessions will begin at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. and are limited to 20 people each. Both include a presentation, field trip and a light lunch.

Each session costs $35 and the deadline to register is Nov. 1. Participants will receive the same information, presentation, field trip, with lunch including bison burgers or brats and sides.

The viewing workshop is recommend ed for those 12 or older.

All fees support the Department’s Watchable Wildlife Program, which was created to increase public awareness of wildlife through positive and personal wildlife viewing experiences.

“The last bison viewing workshop we hosted was in 2015 so we are really excited to offer this workshop and it is in conjunction with National Bison Day,” says Arizona Game and Fish Public Information Officer Shelly Gagnon. “We are looking forward to spending the day with everyone and sharing information about this iconic American species.”

Raymond Wildlife Area is approximately 30 miles east of Flagstaff on I-40. Raymond Wildlife Area, take I-40 east from Flagstaff and take exit 225. Turn right after exiting the freeway. Go 10 miles south on Buffalo Range Road to the visitor’s center. Visitors should be aware the last 10 miles is along a relatively unmaintained dirt road but accessible for passenger vehicles.

Raymond Wildlife Area was purchased by the department in 1942 from Flagstaff Publican R.O. Raymond to serve as winter range for the Anderson Mesa pronghorn antelope herd. Due to drought conditions in 1945, the area became home for bison that were moved from the House Rock Valley herd.

Some scopes will be available, but it is recommended that participants bring binoculars, water, snacks, and dress appropriately for the weather and field trip.

More details on the field trip will be provided during the presentations.

AZGFD Biologists Guide Nevada Wildlife Over I-11

New overpass allows wildlife safe passage to habitat, water.

For most Arizona residents, traveling Interstate 11 — the to-be-constructed roadway linking Phoenix to Las Vegas — is a long way down the road.

That’s not the case for desert bighorn sheep and other wildlife needing safe passage over the Nevada stretch of I-11, three miles west of the Arizona-Nevada state line. It’s there where Arizona Game and Fish Department biologists teamed with Nevada and federal officials to design and build a wildlife overpass over the new 11-mile stretch of roadway, which opened last month.

MINIMIZE IMPACTS

“This has been a great project and example of interstate collaboration to address issues concerned with conserving and protecting desert bighorn sheep and wildlife,” said Jeff Gagnon, AZGFD statewide research biologist.

“Barriers such as roadways can fragment wildlife habitat and impact their access to water. Through projects such as these, our collective goal is to do what we can to minimize such impacts by providing locations for wildlife to safely cross highways.”

OFFICIALS TURN TO ARIZONA

When Nevada Department of Transportation, Regional Transportation Committee of Southern Nevada and Nevada Department of Wildlife officials began planning the first 15-mile stretch of I-11 in 2014, engineers and wildlife officials from Arizona and Nevada knew the project would require adequate water resources.

“Whether it’s installing systems alerting motorists that elk are crossing the roadway in the high country or constructing underpasses or overpasses — these projects have truly had a positive impact on Arizona’s wildlife,” Gagnon said.

“Each crossing has helped to save wildlife and motorists, all while limiting habitat fragmentation and potential barriers to adequate water resources.”

Non-Native Turtles At Phoenix Zoo Are Studied

What: AZGFD biologists have affixed transmitters on non-native turtles at Phoenix Zoo as part of three-year study.

The Arizona Game and Fish Department, in partnership with the Phoenix Zoo, is kicking off a three-year study to learn the distribution patterns and habitat use of non-native turtles living in the zoo’s urban ponds.

Every year hundreds of unwanted pet turtles are released into Papago Park-area ponds and other community lakes. Dozens of turtles at the zoo are then trapped by AZGFD and either returned to the water or placed up for adoption to prevent non-native species from travelling to nearby waters where they can out-compete, spread disease or prey on native turtles or other native aquatic wildlife.

The media were invited to document the kickoff of the three-year study as biologists and volunteers trapped and measured the turtles captured in the most

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New overpass allows wildlife safe passage to habitat, water. The projects helped to reduce elk-vehicle collisions by 97 percent. In southern Arizona, the Oracle Road wildlife crossing opened in May 2016 on State Road 77 north of Tucson, allowing local wildlife to safely cross seven lanes of heavy traffic. Within days of its opening, trail cam video captured coyotes, mule deer and javelina crossing the overpass, which was recently named after former Pima County Supervisor Ann Day.

POSITIVE IMPACT

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What Do The Governor, Lord Mayor, And Sheep Have In Common?

Arizona Governor Doug Ducey, Alderman Charles Bowman, the 696th Right Honourable Lord Mayor of the City of London Corporation, and a small flock of six sheep crossed the London Bridge in Arizona on Saturday, Oct. 20 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the 1968 sales transaction of the London Bridge between the City of London Corporation and Robert P. McCulloch, the founder of Lake Havasu City, Ariz.

Michael McCulloch, the grandson of Robert P. McCulloch, and Lake Havasu City Mayor Mark Nissen joined the men and sheep on the bridge crossing.

This is the first time that sheep have crossed the London Bridge since it was dismantled from spanning the River Thames in London, shipped through the Panama Canal, and reconstructed over the Colorado River in what is now Lake Havasu City, Ariz. An estimated 400 spectators gathered near the London Bridge to celebrate the occasion.

ABOUT THE BRIDGE
The London Bridge that exists in Lake Havasu City today is not the same bridge that was made popular in a famous nursery rhyme. The old London Bridge of nursery-rhyme fame was built between 1176 and 1209, replacing an earlier timber bridge over the River Thames.

The London Bridge that is located in Lake Havasu City today was originally constructed in 1831, and it began to sink over the River Thames; dismantling began after the Robert P. McCulloch placed the winning bid of $2.4 million in April 1968. The granite blocks were numbered in order during dismantlement and erected in the same order over the Colorado River. The bridge was rededicated upon construction completion in Arizona in October 1971.

A fun family outing can become miserable and even dangerous with a quick change of weather for the unprepared. Forest officials recommend cutting your tree early in the season before the higher elevations are snow bound. To help keep your tree fresh, cut two inches from the bottom of your tree when you get home and place it in water. Keep your tree watered and in a shady spot until you are ready to move it into the house.

Another helpful hint is to bring an old tarp to wrap your tree in. Then when you drag your tree out of the forest, the tarp protects the tree and helps you avoid breaking branches. The tarp can also help avoid wind damage on the way home.

ABOUT PERMITS
A permit allows the holder to cut a tree within any designated cutting site on the Tonto National Forest — regardless of whether the permit was purchased at the Supervisor’s Office or one of the three ranger districts — beginning November 17.

Permits will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis until they are gone. Permits must be purchased in person; payment options include cash, check, or credit card. Customers will receive a map that shows the designated cutting areas. Maps will include additional Christmas tree cutting instructions.

FOURTH-GRADE STUDENTS
Fourth-grade students are eligible for a free Christmas tree permit, while supplies last, through the Every Kid in a Park initiative. Every Kid in a Park is a nationwide call to action to build the next generation of conservationists. All fourth graders are eligible to receive a fourth grade pass that allows free access to federal lands and waters across the country for a full year.

In support of this initiative, the Forest Service is making available a free Christmas tree permit to every interested fourth grader with a fourth grade pass or paper voucher. More information about the initiative and how to obtain a pass is available by visiting www.everykidinpark.gov. To be eligible for a free Christmas tree permit from your local national forest office, all fourth graders must be accompanied by a parent or guardian and present their fourth grade pass or paper voucher.

RULES FOR TREE PERMITS
Each Christmas tree permit allows permit holders to cut a tree up to 10 feet tall. One tree per household. One person may purchase up to four permits for other families not living in the household.

Permits are for personal use only; there are no refunds on Christmas tree permits, and cutting dates are November 17 through December 24.

REMINDE RS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
Tree cutters are reminded to be prepared for sudden weather changes and colder conditions when in high elevations.

A Memory — Kelsee Haws (left) and her late mother Lisa Brookes-Haws visited London Bridge in December 2009. Now, nine years later, the 50th anniversary of the bridge in Lake Havasu was celebrated.

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What Do The Governor, Lord Mayor, And Sheep Have In Common?

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Arizona Remembers Our Veterans

There are several events throughout the state that celebrate the service and honor and remember those who serve and have served as members of our military. Below is a calendar of these events, with the November dates in the left-hand column.

9 WICKENBURG: The United States Army Field Band & Soldiers' Chorus – Del. E. Webb Center for the Performing Arts. A powerful and diverse program of marches, standards and patriotic selections from 89 musical ambassadors. Free. 7:30 pm. 928-684-6624 or http://ww.w. deswpac.org

10 SIERRA VISTA: 24th Annual Veterans’ Day Parade – From Fry Blvd to Veteran’s Memorial Park. Honor the area’s veterans and active duty soldiers. A short ceremony takes place at the Veterans Memorial Park following the parade. 9 am. http://www.visitsierravista.com

11 MESA: RAF Cadet Memorial – Mesa Cemetery. Memorial service for 23 Royal Air Force Cadets who died in flight training at the No. 4 British Flying Training School at Falcon Field. The service, which has been conducted for more than 30 years, will be held at 10:45 a.m. Representatives of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the Royal Air Force, the Daughters of the British Empire, and numerous other civic and patriotic organizations will attend. The Mesa Caledonian Pipe Band will perform. This is a FREE public event and all are invited. https://www. azvets.org/visit/raf.html

11 PHOENIX: 19th Annual Veterans Day Gourd Dance – Pueblo Grande Museum. Honors the memory of all the men and women who have served our nation. Gourd dancing is conducted by the Arizona Territory Gourd Society, a non-profit group of American Indian United States War Veterans and their families who celebrate and support the local Arizona veteran community. Bring your favorite potluck to share. Free. 11 am - 4 pm. 602-495-0941 or http://www.pueblogrande.com

12 MESA: East Valley Veterans’ Day Parade – View more than 100 entries including military vehicles, Junior ROTC groups, military support groups, Mesa and Gilbert high school marching bands, East Valley city and town dignitaries, Girl and Boy Scout Troops, equestrian groups.

Before Memorial Day in 1922, we conducted our first poppy distribution, becoming the first veteran’s organization to organize a nationwide distribution. The poppy soon adopted as the official memorial flower of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, as it remains today.

ASSEMBLED BY CHALLENGED VETS

During our 1923 encampment, we decided that VFW “Buddy®” Poppies would be assembled by disabled and needy veterans who would be paid for their work to provide them with financial assistance. The next year, disabled veterans at the Buddy Popy factory in Pittsburgh assembled VFW Buddy Poppies. The designation “Buddy Poppy” was adopted at that time.

Today, our Buddy Poppies are still assembled by disabled and needy veterans in VA Hospitals.

‘BUDDY POPPY’ NAME REGISTERED

In February 1924, we registered the Buddy Poppy name with the U.S. Patent Office. A certificate was issued on May 20, 1924, granting our organization all the rights in the name of Buddy under the classification of artificial flowers.

We’ve made trademark a guarantee that all poppies bearing that name and the VFW label are genuine products of the work of disabled and needy veterans. No other organization, firm or individual can legally use the name Buddy Poppy.

THE POPPIES’ OUTREACH

The VFW Buddy Poppy program provides compensation to the veterans who assemble the poppies, provides financial assistance in maintaining state and national veterans’ rehabilitation and service programs, and partially supports the VFW National Home For Children. In Flanders Fields by John McCrae

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarcely heard amid the guns below.

Have not we seen them in their pride,
When helper to the helper they are gone?
Scarcely heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow,
In Flanders fields.

PACKAGES FROM HOME

Give Our Troops The Gift Of Being Remembered

Packages From Home’s Holiday Mission: Please help Packages From Home send our troops and fulfill our mission this holiday season, as well as year-round, to provide care and comfort packages to our American military heroes.

More than 215,000 American military service members and 3,000+ soldier dogs will spend this holiday season thousands of miles away from their home country, apart from their families, with very little to remind them of home. More than 80 percent of the thank you letters we receive from troops serving overseas discuss loneliness as being one of the most difficult parts of deployed life and that a single care package can help them feel loved, appreciated, and not so far from home. Please help our heroes combat loneliness, a leading cause of veteran suicide, by donating $20 to send a care package overseas to a hero in need.

Packages From Home is in need of postage funds and items to fill care packages and help the following:

• Deployed American military heroes from all branches of the military
• Pre-deployment Luke Airforce Base personnel
• Homeless and at-risk veterans in need
• Military working dogs

Please make your tax-deductible donation in benefit of our troops today in one of the following ways:

• Secure, online credit card at www.packagesfromhome.org
• PackagesFromHome, MailCheck (Payable to Packages From Home) to 5643 N. 52nd Ave., Glendale, AZ 85308
• Thank you to all of our past, present, and future supporters of our troops for the past 14 years and counting!

For more information, visit www.packagesfromhome.org.
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mitter has a 12 hour battery life after the shot. Definitely not cheap at $500 - $550, but it pays for itself the first time it helps you find that trophy of a lifetime. Give it a look at www.pro-tracker.com.

SHOTGUN SIGHT

Aimpoint has you covered if you need a first-class gift for a shotgunner. The Micro T-2 shotgun sight is a compact red-dot sight with lens coatings that radically improve the shape and clarity of the dot. It has flip-up covers to protect the lenses and improved optics. This sight is fantastic. And it isn’t just for shotguns – you can also use it on carbines and handguns.

There are four night vision compatible settings and eight daylight settings. The Picatinny style base makes it easy to attach to a rail, and it can run up to 50,000 hours on one battery. Definitely a major splurge at over $700, but worth every cent.

TARGETS

Anyone who shoots needs targets. Lots of targets. My favorites are the kind that are self-sticking. Even at the range these are handy — they don’t flap around, and most of them come with a bunch of little dots that you can stick over the holes so you can use the target over and over. Especially good are the kind that splatter around the hole in a bright color. That really helps you see how you’re doing, especially at distance.

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You can get one online at Amazon for $29.80, and you can go to www.guarddog-security.com to see it in pink and shop for a huge variety of self-protection items.

STUN GUN

And last, the Guard Dog Security Hornet II is the world’s smallest stun gun — it comes on a keychain and has a 120 decibel alarm and an LED flashlight as well. This thing fits in the palm of your hand and has enough power to take a guy down, plus the alarm can alert others and get you help fast. The flashlight can light your way to your car in a dark garage. Having one of these in your hand as you walk to your car at night can really give you peace of mind. It’s also rechargeable so you never have to buy batteries.

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or you can just relax and enjoy the sail.

Costs for renting a 25-foot sloop vary: On weekends, $225 per day or $200 per day for SailShop students; on weekdays, $180 per day or $160 per day for SailShop students.

Contact the Sailboat Shop at Scorpion Bay Marina: (928) 501-7245.

Gift Certificates for the Holidays.

52 degrees. Lynx Lake got lots of trout, too, and water temperatures this week were at 50 degrees.

A couple anglers also reported some good action on brown trout (pictured) at Ashurst Lake, southeast of Flagstaff.

Other top options will be striped bass fishing at Pleasant, Mead, Mohave or along the lower Colorado River. Using submersible lights at night will be effective at attracting the plankton-baitfish-predatory fish chain.

ROSE ‘ON FIRE’

Roosevelt Lake has been on fire for largemouth bass fishing. Our biologists have been sinking tons of fish habitat structures, which attract fish and help anglers target these sport fish.

Flathead catfish also can be great at Rey, and with falling water temperatures, crappie fishing could be bust wide open during the next couple weeks if some stable weather comes through. Look for schools on your fish-finders: They’ll form the shape of a Christmas tree.

FALL FORECAST

For other potential hot spots, see our Fall Fishing Forecast at https://www.azgfd.com/fishing/forecast/. Send your fishing reports and photos to BFishing@AZGFD.gov — one will be selected as Catch of the Week.
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tales very thoroughly with a worm or a Jig.

AVOID IN SUMMER
Farrell and most of the locals avoid fishing Havasu during the summer, especially on weekends. This is the height of the tourist season, and the lake is unbelievably busy. “You can almost walk from boat to boat,” states Farrell. California and Arizona residents swarm to the lake to see and be seen, and the lagoon that goes under the London Bridge is absolutely packed with boats and sunbathers.

Weekdays during the summer are not as crowded, and anglers can boat some bass by getting on the water early to throw jigs and topwater lures along steep rock banks. Deeper groins will also hold fish in summer, and jigs, deep-diving crankbaits, and split-shotting are a few of the techniques that will get them to bite.

Summer is also the height of the striper season, and each year there is a huge strip-

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ing will work after a striper is caught troll-

Other schools will be moving toward the backs of canyons where shallow troll-

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for use in recreational boats, and anything greater has been shown to damage marine engines and will void warranties.

BoatUS Summer Fueling Survey Iden-

• the boaters’ fuel choice: About half (49 percent) of respondents said they filled up their boats with E0 (ethanol-free) fuel this summer. However, if they had

their choice of fuel, more than four in five (83 percent) would choose E0 (ethanol-

free) fuel— if it was available. Forty-one percent reported the availability of E0 has stayed about the same over the last three years. However, by a margin of more than two to one (31 percent to 14 percent), some respondents said the availability of E0 was becoming more difficult to locate over the last three years.

• boat refueling locations: The survey reported that boaters refuel their boats at a combination of locations both off and on

the water. Fifty-three percent of respondents said they refuel their boat at roadside gas stations, followed by fuel docks (50 percent) and filling gas cans or portable gas tanks at roadside gas stations (32 percent).

• misfuelling issues: BoatUS has concerns over potential consumer misfuelling as E15 (15 percent ethanol) pump-labeling requirements are minimal with just a small orange warning label on roadside gas station pumps. About half (49 percent) of survey respondents reported being unaware that the use of E15 gasoline in marine engines is prohibited under federal law and will void the engine warranty. More than 4 in 5 survey respondents (84 percent) could not correctly identify the color of the small misfuelling warning label required on gas station dispenser pumps that sell E15. Both may be indications that current pump label requirements are not effective and misfueling could occur.

• ethanol-related repairs: About one in three of those surveyed (36 percent) reported having been advised that repairs to their boats’ engines and/or fuel systems were required as a result of ethanol fuel.

When it was passed in 2005, RFS allowed 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 the “ethanol wall” in which the volume of ethanol production would exceed consumption and infrastructure constraints, in 2010 the EPA granted a waiver to allow E15 into the marketplace.

For more information, go to Advocacy.BoatUS.com. BoatUS is a member of SmarterFuelFuture.
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MORE THAN 100,000 WATCH
Presented by the Port of San Diego, the San Diego Bay Parade of Lights brings more than 100,000 San Diego residents and visitors together on the San Diego Bay waterfront each year. The procession of about 80 lavishly decorated boats has become one of our region’s most iconic holiday events.

The parade route starts at Shelter Island and travels east past Harbor Island, then south along the Embarcadero, Seaport Village and Cesar Chavez Park before turning parallel with the Coronado Bridge to the west side of the bay. The parade then proceeds past Peohe’s to the finish line after passing the Ferry Landing. It takes about two hours to complete the trip and there are many comfortable waterfront viewpoints along the route.

The possession of open alcoholic beverages is prohibited along the parade viewing area. Drones and other unmanned aircraft systems are also prohibited. Be mindful of those around you, practice safety, and best of all, enjoy the parade!

TO PARTICIPATE
For those interested in participating in the 47th Annual San Diego Bay Parade of Lights, join us at this year’s Lighting Seminar. Here, interested parade participants will learn about the latest in lighting for boats to help make a big impression on parade judges and the thousands of spectators. The seminar is free and will be held on Thursday, November 15, 2018, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at West Marine, 1250 Rosecrans St., San Diego, CA 92106.

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All ashes must be removed entirely and the area left clean. Absolutely no digging of fire pits in the sand. Beach and Windsor Beach, the English Village, across the London Bridge, and at any of the restaurants along the Channel are smoke-free.

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must be contained in a portable, self-contained fire pit. All ashes must be removed entirely and the area left clean. Absolutely no digging of fire pits in the sand and no dumping of ashes in the water. The area will be patrolled throughout the evening. Bon fires are not permitted on the new white sand beaches at the north end of channel.

BEST VIEWING: There will be great viewing at the Nautical Beachfront Resort (the starting point of the Parade of Lights), Rotary Beach, throughout the Channel on both sides between Rotary and the area left clean. Absolutely no digging of fire pits in the sand and no dumping of ashes in the water. The area will be patrolled throughout the evening. Bon fires are not permitted on the new white sand beaches at the north end of channel.

BELOW VIEWING: There will be great viewing at the Nautical Beachfront Resort (the starting point of the Parade of Lights), Rotary Beach, throughout the Channel on both sides between Rotary and the area left clean. Absolutely no digging of fire pits in the sand and no dumping of ashes in the water. The area will be patrolled throughout the evening. Bon fires are not permitted on the new white sand beaches at the north end of channel.

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3 — 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 in the family—dogs included—for a walk on the train on select days throughout the year.

3 — 17-18 — Phoenix Reptile Expo - Mesa
Mesa Convention Center. Arizona’s largest reptile and exotic pet vendors and exhibits. Saturday, 10am-5pm | Sunday: 11am-5pm. 480-985-3121 or http://phxreptileexpo.com/

17 — Birds Day in the Garden – Desert Botanical Garden. Bring the whole family—dogs included—for a walk on Garden trails. Meet other dog lovers,heel for family photos, learn about local dog-related nonprofits, shop and enjoy samples with your pup. All dogs must be on a leash and remain on marked trails at all times. 8:00 am – 2:00 pm. Garden admission and $2 admission per dog benefits the Arizona Humane Society. https://dbg.org

17 — Fall Butterfly Exhibit - Mighty Monarchs and the Plant Protectors - Desert Botanical Garden. Take a closer look at pollinators that care for and protect our desert environment. Become a plant protector to support these beneficial insects. 9:30 am – 5:00 pm. http://dbg.org

17-18 — Phoenix Reptile Expo - Mesa

SPOONS
The Presenting Sponsor for this year’s San Diego Bay Parade of Lights is the Port of San Diego. Also, this year’s Awards Banquet Sponsor is the USS Midway Museum and this year’s Grand Prize Sponsor is Royal Caribbean Cruises. Those interested in sponsoring the San Diego Bay Parade of Lights, can contact Joni Geis at 619-823-5220 or joni@boatlenderusa.com.

San Diego Bay Parade of Lights is sponsored by the Port of San Diego’s Tidelands Activation Program, designed to bring our dynamic waterfront alive with events that engage the community and inspire visitors to enjoy San Diego Bay.

For more information and parade details, visit www.sdparadeoflights.org.

English Village and in the parking areas on the island near the Channel. Plan to get there early as traffic around the London Bridge can become congested.

NOTE: Event dates, times and/or details are subject to change. For more information: https://golakehavasu.com/event/lake-havasu-boat-parade-of-lights/
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