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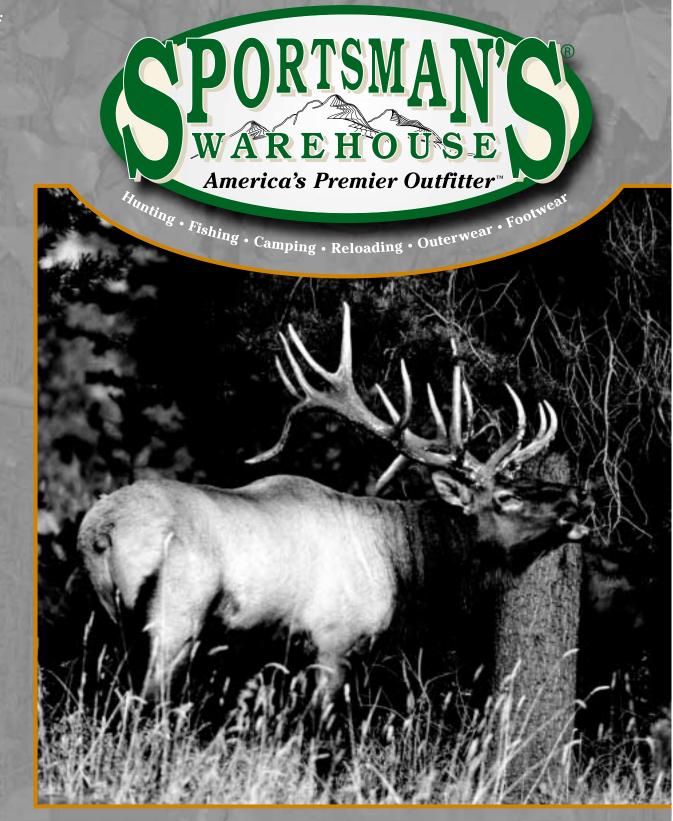




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Sportsmans Mail Pouch

John Underwood

Editor Scratchings

Well, I'm glad that you all are getting along and happy out there. This past couple of months I have not received one letter to the editor, be it a concern or well done. So this issue I will take the space to do a little Editor Scratchings. Hope you enjoy and lets hear from you! Arizona Wildlife News and our readers always appreciate your input.

Attention: If you would prefer to receive the Arizona Wildlife News via the AWF web site let us know. E-Mail us at awf@azwildlife.org and we will take you off our mailing list.

Check out the new and improved AWF web site at www.azwildlife.org

MOST WILDLIFE FEEDING BANNED IN MARICOPA AND PIMA COUNTIES

A ban on the feeding of wildlife will take effect soon. The feeding of most wild animals in those two counties will become a petty offense punishable by a \$300 fine. The measure does not apply to feeding birds and squirrels, and does not affect people engaged in legal hunting or fishing or those engaged in normal agriculture and livestock operations. Was attached to HB2129 by Sen. Toni Hellon

POACHING BILL HB2129, effective 90 days after the last day of the Arizona legislative session. Sponsored by Rep Weiers, gives the AZG&F Commission the authority to permanently revoke, or suspend for a period of five years of more a person's hunting privileges for various offenses. These include unlawfully taking trophy or endangered species, taking three times the llegally established limit or committing repeat violations. The bill also creates a civil assessment and revocation system of fines and license revocations based on the number of convictions and individual has for unlawfully taking or wounding wildlife.

XPLOR THE SOUTHWEST GOES GLOBAL

Just when you thought it was safe to go on the internet, Jim Solomon announces the globalization of the Xplor the Southwest Outdoor Radio Show. Commencing the 9th of July from 7-9 AM PT, anyone around the globe can listen to Jim Solomon, the host of Xplor the

Southwest, talk about anything from bowfishing to white water rafting at two sites on the net, either xplorsw.com or myoutdoortv.com. The month of July is the Hunting 101 series. Jim will investigate the tips and tricks the pros use, when it comes to camo, scents, footwear, proper field care, optics, bows, firearms and more with local and national pros and celebrities.

Whether he's off the coast of Puerto Vallarta, marlin fishing or down in the goose blinds on the Colorado River, you will always hear Xplor the Southwest, 'LIVE', or you will be able to pull up past archived shows.

Media Contact: Jim Solomon (623) 533-6820

SNAKES

We are getting into the season for snakes so a bit of reason and caution.

Many health-care professionals recommend just a few basic first-aid techniques. According to the American Red Cross and our own University Hospital these steps should be taken.

Quickly and without causing the delay

We urge our readers to communicate to us cheers and even jeers (given in good taste, or course). Keep your communications short and to the point. All must be signed. If you send us questions, we will seek answers and print them here. There may be times mail volume may prevent us from publishing every letter we receive, but we will do our best to print as many as possilbe.

Send your 'snail mail' to:

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It is our goal to provide a well-written informative magazine and your feedback will help us do that. This is your magazine, let us hear from you. of the victim try to identify the type of snake. Colors and patterns may be helpful in selecting an antivenin the Emergency Room. (Don't take snakes to the ER! Nurses tend to get really upset when that happens!)

Immediately wash the bite with soap and water but do not delay transport. Immobilize the bitten area and keep it lower than the heart. Remove rings and watches if bitten on the hands or arm.

Transport the victim immediately. If possible call 9-1-1 and arrange for an ambulance to meet you. Ask the 9-1-1 operator to call the hospital so that they are prepared for you.

"The main thing is to get to a hospital and don't delay," says Arizona physician David Hardy M.D. No ice or any other type of cooling on the bite. No tourniquets. No incisions in the wound. No alcoholic beverages. Remain calm and get moving!

Trivia: In that class it was repeatedly stated that most snake bite victims were males and many were intoxicated. And full of machismo. Until the guy got bit. The machismo left as the burning sensation started. Funny how that works, ain't it?

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RATTLE SNAKE VACCINE

Don't forget to have your 4 legged hunting companions given snake avoidance training. Well worth the time and effort. For an added layer of protection a vaccine is now available

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Recently, Red Rock Biologics has released a vaccination against the venom of the Western Diamondback (Crotalus atrox). This vaccine also protects against the venom of six out of seven of the other California rattlesnakes. (The Mojave Rattlesnake has such significantly different venom that it is not covered) and there is good cross-protection against numerous other venomous snakes native to areas outside California. At first this product was available for sale and use only in California; but it has become available nationwide since December of 2004. Hiking dogs and dogs that live in rattlesnake areas are good candidates for this product.

Additional information at: www.redrockbiologics.com



Greetings AWF Members!

As a member of the Arizona Wildlife Federation, you received a letter approximately 12 weeks ago, outlining AWF's efforts to fund important habitat improvement projects on

Anderson Mesa.

As you may recall, the Arizona Wildlife Federation applied for and received a grant from the National Forest Foundation (NFF) to restore four small lakes on Anderson Mesa in the Coconino National Forest, southeast of Flagstaff.

These four small lakes regularly experience severe damage from livestock use. The NFF grant dollars will enable AWF to build wildlife friendly fences around the lakes; fences that will severely limit livestock access but provide broadly for wildlife access.

The NFF grant is a match grant. AWF only gets the grant money if we can match it with money we raise ourselves.

I am happy to report that the Arizona Wildlife Federation has raised almost all of the dollars needed to match 100% of the NFF grant!

Due to an outstanding show of support from the Arizona Game and Fish Department, the Arizona Antelope Foundation, the Arizona Predator Callers, the Wildlife Conservation Council, the Arizona Deer Association, and the Arizona Bowhunters, we were able to start the fence construction in July!

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From The President

The AWF Member Appeal letter raised in excess of \$3400 match dollars for the project! Give yourselves a round of applause!

Anderson Mesa is one of Arizona's most beautiful landscapes, and a hugely significant habitat for wildlife. In addition to abundant populations of deer and elk, the area is populated with one of Arizona's last remaining herd of pronghorn. That pronghorn herd, which once numbered thousands, has been reduced to a few hundred animals. AWF's work to improve these lakes will help restore the pronghorn herd of Anderson Mesa.

The lakes AWF is striving to protect are important stops for migrating birds. These lakes are also home to many nesting waterfowl species.

AWF needs just \$3000 more in contributions to reach the 100% mark on the NFF match grant. We've already raised \$50,000! Please consider helping us "max out" the available NFF funds. Send a donation today! Encourage your favorite conservation organization to make a donation! Send your check to AWF, 644 N. Country Club Dr. Suite E, Mesa, AZ 85201. Mark "NFF Grant" on the check.

You will be glad you helped!

Yours Truly, Mary Jo Forman Miller President, Arizona Wildlife Federation

WHADDA' YA' KNOW

- 1. What was the price of a duck stamp in 1935?
- 2. In a perfect world a catfish can live how long?
- When was Isaac Walton's Complete Angler written?
- 4. A Sparrow Hawk eats more _____ than sparrows?
- 5. How do you tell the age of a catfish?
- 6. What fish family do crappie & black bass belong to?

(Answers on page 22)



Historical Tales



by Ryna Rock

EARLY HISTORY OF THE NORTH KAIBAB REPRINTED FROM AGPA OUTDOOR NEWS, JULY 1958

In the early days the Kaibab Plateau was a great Indian hunting ground. Every fall the Indians would gather to a great ceremonial feast and take skins for winter clothing, and meat for winter food. Old timers in the Kaibab country state that they have seen great numbers of deer carcasses in piles at the Indian camps—as many as a thousand carcasses in one camp. The white men also took great numbers of deer in the days of the early settlement. So great was the quantity of deerskins that actually came off the Kaibab each year that it was known as "Buckskin Mountain". Old timers say this condition prevailed up to the creation of the game preserve. There were also large numbers of mountain lions, which took their toll of deer.

Major Powell, who explored the Grand Canyon in 1870, named the plateau Kaibab for a small, almost extinct tribe of Indians of the Pah Ute family who were living in that vicinity. The name Kaibab is of Indian origin and means "mountain lying down".

The area was withdrawn as a National Forest in early 1893, and enlarged in 1905, to include the present area. United Odred of Orderville, a cooperative group associated with the Mormon Church, developed the first extensive livestock use. Messrs. Thompson and Van Sleck, eastern stockmen, who established the TV brand, purchased their interests. About 1887 their stock was purchased by John W. Young, son of Brigham Young of Salt Lake City. The holdings of the latter were taken over by Cannon & Grant of Salt Lake City in 1893 through the redemption of bonds and were managed for them by Anthony W. Ivins, First Counselor to a past president of the Mormon Church. Farnsworth and Fotheringham then acquired it and sold to B. F. Saunders who later sold to the Grand Canyon Cattle Company. The latter company brought in Mexican cattle running the Z brand.

John C. Nagle of Toquerville, whose outfit later was split up among many local people, developed the west side ranges. It is reported that in 1887 and 1889 at least 200,000 sheep and 20,000 cattle were using the range in the surrounding desert country and the Kaibab Mountain. The grass was at first very abundant and stock thrived. Many horses were raised and excellent stallions brought in. John W. Young in 1888 took about 1,000 head of horses across the river at Lee's Ferry and sold them in Northern Arizona. Several dairy ranches, which

made cheese, were in operation at one time on the Plateau.

For some time after the establishment of the National Forest little restriction was made on the grazing use. The ranges on the east and west sides were eventually separated by drift fences as were other units, with camps and cabins at most all of the available water holes or springs. Much of the early supervision was directed toward better control of seasonal use and a check on the actual number of stock using the range.

The Grand Canyon National Game Preserve was created in Nov, 1906, and included about the same area as the Kaibab National Forest north of Grand Canyon. President Theodore Roosevelt was always intensely interested in the wildlife of the region and in July 1913, hunted mountain lions on the Kaibab Plateau with Uncle Jim Owens as his guide.

As soon as the National Game Preserve was created, all killing of deer was prohibited and Government hunters were employed to kill mountain lions and coyotes. Uncle Jim Owens claims to have killed more than 600 lions from 1907 to 1919. Removal of natural enemies permitted the deer to increase up to the limit of the food supply. The peak in numbers was reached in 1924. The first realization of the area being overstocked with deer was in the fall of 1919 and the spring of 1920.

When the National Game Preserve was created around 3,000 deer existed on the North Kaibab, and no hunting was allowed from 1906 to 1924. On seeing the danger signs of over population, the Forest Service created an action program which involved an investigating committee made up of representatives of the American Game Protective Association, the National Association of Audubon Societies, the Boone and Crockett Club, National Parks Association, and the American Livestock Breeders Association.

Their recommendations were: 1. Trap the deer and ship elsewhere; 2. Open the area to hunting under regulation; 3. If the first two failed, have Government officials destroy the deer. They estimated 26,000 deer were on the area and local ranchers reported 100,000 deer.

A number of people thought the deer could be driven in a herd to other areas of Arizona. George McCormick, of Flagstaff, was financed by leading citizens and clubs of

(Continued on Page 21)





By John Underwood

Don Farmer

Don Farmer of Scottsdale, AZ, a lifetime member of the

Arizona Wildlife Federation. has been named one of the Heroes of Conservation by Field and Stream magazine. Check out the the July, 2006 issue. Don has lead crews from the AWF in the removal of 25 miles of fence. (Only 30 more miles to go.) The fenceing is left over from cattle ranching and restricts the movement of pronghorn in the Buenos Aires National Wildlife Refuge.

This is only one of many conservation projects that

Don has been involved with over the years.

Our Congratulations to Don Farmer on this well deserved recognition!



Young Angler

Steven Tibbits of Cavecreek, AZ landed this fine 16-

inch mouth on a 3-day outing with his Grandpa Roosevelt Lake earlier this summer. Steven was using a 6-inch plastic worm in 12 ft. of water. Slot limit for Roosevelt bass is 13 to 16 inches and must be returned to the lake. All fish



caught on this trip were released, even the smaller one's.

Rainbow Trout by the numbers

Wildlife Service shows that when you toss a lure toward a rainbow trout produced by a national fish hatchery, you're also fueling an economic engine that can drive for the long haul. Eleven national fish hatcheries in year 2004 raised 9.4 million rainbow trout, providing nearly four million angler-days on the water. Retail sales on things associated with fishing for rainbow trout, like food, gas, lodging, rods and reels, and bait and tackle amounted to \$172.7 million. That spending provided employment for 3,502 people and income of \$80 million. Those wage earners contributed back to public treasuries; \$2.9 million in state income taxes, and \$10.6 million in federal income taxes. Fishing for rainbow trout in turn generated a total economic output of \$325.million.

Taxpayers that fund the National Fish Hatchery System paid \$5.4 million to produce rainbow trout. And every onedollar spent on rainbow trout production rises up through the economy fueling \$32.20 in retail sales and \$36.88 in net economic value.

The two Arizona national fish hatcheries stocked a combined 846,828 rainbow trout, creating 105,424 angler-days on the water, which in turn generated \$6,161,600 retail expenditures. That spending provided jobs for 115

Rainbow trout are by far the most popular cold-water sports fish in this country, and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service continues this work in partnership with state agencies and Indian tribes. Some long-standing agreements to culture rainbow trout date back 70 years. Fishing is important in the U.S., where over 35 million people buy a fishing license each year. Anglers of every stripe seek rainbow trout in nearly every state in the Union, and when they do, you know that its effects are felt in the mom-and-pop business and in the corporate boardroom.

For more information, see www.fws.gov/species/rainbowtrout

Awards Banquet 2006

by Terry Herndon



Thomas E. McCullough Memorial Award Duane L. Schroufe, Director of AZG&F Outstanding Conservationist of the Year Professional Catagory

Thomas E. McCullough Memorial Award Jerry Thorson Outstanding Conservationist of the Year Volunteer Catagory

id you miss it?? If you did then you missed one of the best trophy displays in the country!! Oh sure the dinner was the best I have ever had in a banquet and there were over 40 rifles, pistols, and shotguns given away, along with a sprinkling bows, but the trophy display—wow

If you were there then you know that we had one heck of a turn out for the second Arizona Wildlife Federation Banquet! This year we were graced with the Bowhunting in Arizona Trophy group and they were a very welcome addition to our celebration! Oh, did I mention the trophy display?? Wow

The Bowhunting in Arizona group along with the Arizona Wildlife Federation put on a banquet that will be talked about for a long time! There were world record animals on display, there were some of the best Bowhunters, rifle and muzzle-

loader hunters in the state. and the nation present, and there were dignitaries.

This year the groups pulled their resources together and offered up a plethora of hunting goods to be raffled, bid on, and given away through out the night. Many items were donated to the two groups and if not for them we would not have had such a successful banquet.. Some of the businesses that helped us this year will be in this newsletter and if you need anything that these businesses offer, we at the AWF and the BIA would really appreciate it if you would do business with



these folks to show them your gratitude.

It was a group effort for sure but the highlights were the trophies, after all, it is the big game animal that should be honored and that is what this banquet is all about. Sure, the hunters get a plaque and their name and picture posted on the big screen but it is the animal that grew the head gear or lived long enough to have trophy potential.

I am not sure how much money we generated for this banquet but I am sure what ever it is we will put it to good use by enhancing habitat, teaching people about our wildlife and helping the wildlife that we all love. It is all about the wildlife and that is why we work so hard to make these banquets successful. It is all of you that attended that made it successful; and for that we thank all of you!!

This was truly a labor of love for both groups and the end

result showed that both groups love our sport and our heritage.

Did you miss it?? If you did make sure you don't miss it next year! The trophy display will be a wonderment all in itself but the fun, the camaraderie, and the prizes will be well worth the price of admission!! But importantly most wildlife in Arizona will benefit from all of this fun, so please come next year and see for yourself!



Oh, and did I mention the trophy display?? WOW!!!

TROPHY AWARD RECIPIENTS

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3rd Place Biennial 2nd Place Biennial 1st Place Biennial Honorable Mention Bronze

Barry Sopher Larry Marin Shawn Clarno Darrel Lippert Mark Domshur

ELK (WAPITI) TYPICAL

Honorable Mention
3rd Place Biennial
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Honorable Mention
Bronze Jay Scott

TYPICAL
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Harvey G. Ward Jr.
Jim Savelsberg
Brian Drake
Darren Peek
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ELK (WAPITI) NON-TYPICAL

Honorable Mention 3rd Place Biennial Bronze 2nd Place Biennial 1st Place Biennial 1st

COUES DEER TYPICAL

3rd Place Biennial 2nd Place Biennial 1st Place Biennial Bronze Mark Lucas George G. Alcorta Jim Machac Bill P Mattausch Jr.

COUES DEER NON-TYPICAL

2nd Place Biennial 1st Place Biennial

Michael (John) Bylina
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3rd Place Biennial Michael A Elmer 2nd Place Biennial James E. Benigar 1st Place Biennial Mike George

MULE DEER NON-TYPICAL

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Russell Hunter

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3rd Place Biennial (tie) Mark O Ovit

2nd Place Biennial Andrew M Lopez

1st Place Biennial Robert Alvarez

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Special Bowhunting in Arizona Awards

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Tom Dalrymple



Superman's Ram Goes Home

by Don Martin, Outdoors Writer

The young man's eyes widened and his jaw slowly dropped as he watched in disbelief as the ram was getting closer and closer to him.

"Superman, your ram is home," I said as my eyes welled up with tears.

That was the scene last Saturday evening in Jonesboro, AR as 16-year-old Christopher (Superman) Reeves was presented the ram that he taken in Mohave County last December.

With that presentation a long nine month journey came to an end, but the hope of a new and better life for this special young man is our wish for this young sportsman, who so many of us have grown fond of.

Reeves' odyssey started last December after he received a desert bighorns sheep tag that long time Arizona sportsman Norm Pint had drawn after many years of applying.

Pint was taken from us in October after a tragic traffic accident claimed his life.

Norm's family graciously decided to donate the tag to Hunt Of A Lifetime, and Reeves, whose dream was to go on a sheep hunt, had one of the two tags in Unit 16A transferred to him by the Arizona Game & Fish Department.

But then Christopher's world came crashing down. Reeves, who had previously survived bone cancer, was diagnosed with leukemia just a few days before the scheduled start of his once-in-a-lifetime sheep hunt

Only through the extraordinary efforts was Christopher allowed to come to Arizona. But the caveat was that he had just two days to hunt.

I agreed to coordinate the hunt for HOAL and with the help of a lot of great Arizona and Nevada people, and organizations like the Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society, Reeves bagged his ram of a lifetime the first day out.



The Reeves Family, Left to right Theresa, (sister) Christopher, Cheryl (mom) and Dan (dad)

But then came the reality of just how serious this illness was.

Reeves had to immediately go into St. Jude's Children Hospital in Memphis TN to start the long treatment.

During the next eight months, our Superman endured more than any person should.

A stem cell transplant was done and Christopher had contracted a graft versus host disease.

According to his father Dan, "We almost lost him three different times."

Unable to have any solid food for 75 days, and being limited to fluids only through intravenous tubes, life was anything but good for the young man. Besides the chemo treatments that caused him to loose his locks of curly hair, his body was drained of its energy by the assortment of drugs that were being given to him.

At one point, Superman was placed in a drug-induced coma, and also spent time on a ventilator.

Superman's kidneys failed.

"It's been a long and trying eight months," said Christopher's mom Cheryl.

The ram goes home

Local wildlife artist Henry Aguilar agreed to.donate his services and did the taxidermy work on the Christopher's ram.

When I got word that Christopher was going to be allowed to go home for a weekend visit, and his mom said that it would be a great inspiration for him to see the sheep, I decided it was time to take the ram back home.

I contacted the ADBSS and Terry Petko, the State Ambassador for HOAL and told them of my plan. They immediately agreed to assist.

Tickets weren't cheap, and it would cost us

extra to get the ram there. The ADBSS Board of Directors, led by Jim Broschart, and Petko, whose company in Phoenix, Oberg Industries made a generous donation to the cause, said "Just make sure it happens."

Despite all of our prior planning, the day didn't start off well. The sky cap took one look at the crate and commented, "That ain't gonna go." I asked him to get a supervisor.

Three supervisors later, one came who listened to my predicament. I explained the situation to him and suggested that if we didn't get the sheep on the plane, that he should get ready to answer

Christopher and Don

questions for the TV news crew who would be there to see why he and his airlines weren't being very cooperative when it came to helping fulfill the dream of a seriously ill child.

"Hold on, I'll be

right back" and sure enough, in a few minutes he was back and told his people, "I'm authorizing this to be shipped, load it up."

Despite being charged double what I had originally been quoted to ship the ram, I now had hope that I might just make it back there in time to surprise Superman with his ram.

As it turned out, the sheep and I both made it to Memphis, though there were some more exciting moments when the crate didn't show up with the luggage as expected.

Scott Arender and one of his son's, one of Christopher's best friends, met me at the Memphis airport. These great guys ensured that the ram and I would make it the 70 miles to Jonesboro AR, where Christopher lives.

In the end, a very surprised young man was presented with his ram and as his eyes lit up I knew that despite all the problems that had been encountered along the way, it was well worth it.

As I left late that evening for the motel, Superman still had his ram at his side. His mom asked, "You gonna sleep with that ram tonight Christopher?"

"I just might momma," was his reply.

Christopher had a great weekend visit, and didn't want to go back to St. Jude's on Sunday. But he did go back and is improving a little more each day. Were all hoping that this young man with the heart of a lion and the will to overcome all odds will recover and some day soon we'll all spend a day together in a duck blind or chasing a longbeard through the forest.

Then he'll come home that evening to see his big ram on the wall.

It goes without saying that Christopher and his family have been through a lot. I had only met Christopher yet during my stay they all treated me like I was family. They are truly good people.

I got to believe the good Lord has special plans for our Superman. Won't you mention him and his family tonight in your prayers?

Hunting – a Defining Wilderness Experience

by Don Hoffman

will always identify myself as a career wilderness manager. I was privileged to work for the U.S. Forest Service and oversee our wilderness in the White Mountains of Eastern Arizona: mountaintops like Escudilla and Baldy Wilderness Areas, the lush drainages of Black River, Fish Creek and Bear Wallow, the vast roadless lands descending from the rim into Eagle Creek, and wildest and dearest of all the Blue Range Primitive Area. Over 25 years and thousands of days in the backcountry, each of those days contributing vivid memories to last a lifetime.

Memories like: waking to a lion killing a deer virtually in our camp; scrambling a slope with a volunteer trail crew to narrowly avoid a flash flood; strange but true - losing a tent to a fierce turf battle between a bull elk and a Hereford bull; swimming my horse and mule across the Blue, swollen with spring runoff, just to get back home; glassing my 12 year-old son scrambling back to a Black River swimming hole to retrieve his new watch - only to see him freeze as three mature rams charged him from above and veered away at the last moment; exhilarating off-trail ascents for spectacular views of our natural world; the sight and exploding sounds of big horn rams cracking their skulls and recoiling violently again and again; the nesting canyon wren whose song could fill the entire canyon instead sung to me in the tiny tin-walled cabin we temporarily shared; our funeral pyre for Molly, our beloved mule; wildflowers; bees; sunsets to cry for; snakes; bears; horse wrecks; javelina chaos; more flash floods; more bees and just plain more!

Most of these memories are of wild, spontaneous, and often random events that, remarkably, I was paid to stumble upon and witness. However, my most profound and enriching wilderness experiences have come while hunting in wild country. I only hunt in wild places, and I only hunt alone. As a meat eater, I feel compelled to understand the relationship of predator and prey. The experience is spiritual and exhilarating all at once. I take no joy in the actual kill, but I truly enjoy the transforming experience of the entire hunt.

I always try to be as ready as I can be for opening day. I scout. I sight-in my rifle and my eye. Everything I need is carefully packed and laid out for the pre-dawn start. But the truth is I'm never close to being ready. As I strike out, I see fresh signs, begin to follow a track, and listen carefully to the forest. Ten seconds later, I discover that I'm thinking about tasks left undone at home and recalling recent conversations that I have had. Rocks are rolling underfoot. I'm making too much noise. So I refocus, but again my concentration drifts off, refocus, drift off - I can't seem to break the cycle.

By the end of the first day, my giant lapses in concentration are somewhat shorter in duration, but I still can't control them. I realize that with all the time I spend in the backcountry, I really don't pay very close attention to what is really going on there. Before I fall asleep, I am forced to replay the numerous mistakes that I made that day.

On the second day, I can tell I'm more attentive. I hear my

own sounds and I begin to hear, smell, and see the forest through the trees. However, as I occasionally startle things that I hadn't even noticed, it remains clear that the native species, which spend every waking and sleeping moment remaining as aware of their surroundings as is inhumanly possible, are far more attuned to the wild than I.

By day three I am doing much better - hardly remembering my worldly successes and failures, the conversations to be had, or the growing list of tasks left undone. I can patiently sit and keep watch for long periods. The natural cover is evident to me and as I approach my next viewshed, I easily choose a line that best shields my presence. I'm constantly aware of air movement and how my scent and sounds are traveling. I realize if I startle the flock of band-tailed pigeons that I will have announced my presence to all. I am beginning to sense what is really going on out here.

As darkness descends, I inwardly smile - I'm actually thankful that I did not stumble upon and kill my prey on the first day. I wouldn't have learned these nutty things about myself; I wouldn't have come to terms with my incessant internal dialog; I wouldn't have heard, smelled, or felt the rhythms of this predator/prey relationship. I have finally entered; and as a wilderness manger--and apparently at times unaware of what wild really means--I wouldn't have fully understood why I yearn to protect wild places.

I know this in my bones: plants and animals—including deer, elk, insects, birds, bacteria, and a whole host of other living things--need wild places to evolve in response to natural processes. We need wild places so we as a society can witness and understand this simple truth before it is too late. We need wild places to stimulate our sense of humility and recognize our responsibility to maintain adequate wild habitat for all native species. We have a responsibility to understand, enjoy, and protect our natural world. I feel better about myself and what I do. Sleep will come easy tonight. On day four, the hunt really begins.

Don retired from the USFS in 2001 and has been the Executive Director of the Arizona Wilderness Coalition for the past five years. He lives on the Blue River, south of Alpine.

The Arizona Wilderness Coalition works to permanently protect and restore Wilderness and other wild lands and waters in Arizona for the enjoyment of all citizens and to ensure that Arizona's native plants and animals have a lasting home in wild nature. We recognize that previous wilderness inventories, conducted by federal agencies and wilderness advocates alike. concentrated on anthropocentric rather than ecological values. It has become increasingly evident that key wildlife species require vast and connected wild core areas and that wilderness provides the most permanent form of protection for such areas. We have a sincere interest in preserving wildlife habitat, as well the high quality hunting and angling opportunities that only wilderness and roadless lands provide.

BOW: The Volunteer Instructor



by Linda Dightmon

Russ Gunderson



The Safety Test

The BOW Shooting Program

OW participants are the best students. For the most part they are a savvy worldly group of grown women who know immediately when someone is "full of it". In order for this program to succeed the quality of the instruction must be the best. The best students deserve the best instruction.

Oh, did I mention that BOW instructors must also be volunteers? The 2006 August BOW weekend was priced at \$235. This does not leave much in the budget to pay instructors. If we paid the 30 or so instructors we use for each camp even a fraction of what they were worth BOW would be out of reach for almost everyone.

The very basis of the Becoming an Outdoors Woman program is to give women the opportunity to experience traditional men only disciplines. Shooting sure fits the bill but this is one area where quality instruction cannot be compromised. At the Friendly Pines BOW camps we offer basic firearms safety (a prerequisite) and range time with shotgun, handgun and rifle. The schedule is set up so that a participant can do all four classes in one workshop if she wants to.

The Arizona BOW is extremely lucky to have the talents of Russ Gunderson. He makes time in a crazy schedule to lead the shooting program for us. Here is a sampling of Russ' credentials. He is modest enough to admit that he became involved in shooting because his golf game sucks.

- President and Chairman of the Arizona Shooting Sports Education Foundation.
- AGF Hunter Education Chief Instructor
- AGF Scholastic Clay Target Program, Chief Instructor
- •AZSCTP Coach of National Championship Jr. **Novice Skeet Team**
- •NRA Chief Range Safety Officer
- National Muzzle Loading Association Instructor
- •NRA Home Safety Instructor
- •Master Class competitor, Police Practical Pistol, Western State Sheriff's Air Squadrons
- Private shotgun shooting instructor: trap, skeet, sporting clays

Russ and his posse of Arizona Game and Fish Hunter Education trained volunteers have introduced hundreds of women to shooting sports throughout the years.

The safety course is taught at the camp. Each participant must complete this session and pass the test before she can shoot. The only exception is if she has completed the AZ G & F hunter education program. Besides safety, parts of the firearms and basic terms are studied.

We shuttle the class to Prescott Valley where they can shoot different types and sizes of shotguns. Participants also have an opportunity to make a shot shell. For handguns there are .22 calibers, .45 calibers and most everything in between. On the range, the ladies get one-on-one training with safety being constantly emphasized.

On Sunday, the class goes to the indoor range where they practice on .22 rifles and clean them afterwards. Commercial sponsors usually provide ammunition but the firearms used in the program belong to the instructors.

Approximately one half of the participants in any BOW camp take a firearms course. Some only want the safety class; most of those come back again for range time. There have been a few that are trying to conquer fears. For many this is the only contact that they have ever had with a firearm. One thing for sure, it will be a positive experience when Russ and his team are there.



Russ Teaching Basic Firearms Safety





DELUXE BOW DATES! FEBRUARY 2-4, 2007 MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

A Selection of Handguns to Try

It is fun to see the ladies coming back from the range. Their faces are flush with accomplishment, many showing off targets, proudly pointing to bullet holes punched through the black.

I used to wonder why they do it. Why do these instructors spend their precious weekends teaching strangers how to shoot. I used to wonder but now I understand.



A Shotgun Class at a Recent BOW



One on One Instruction



Checking the Targets



Shotgun



From left to right Instructors Dan Kolander, Russ Gunderson, Ed Welsh, Jim Subers, Leroy Smith

Becoming an Outdoors Family

By Linda Dightmon

want my son to experience real camping. He thinks camping is going to a cabin without cable TV." That was one of the comments we heard at the family camp sponsored by the Arizona Wildlife Foundation this past July. The speaker was a single mother with a 10-year-old son. She remembers the fun that she had on family camping trips when she was a child. This camp is tailor made for the single mom. She can enjoy the camp activities with her children without the work or the worry.

All together 11 families participated in the event that was held at Bradshaw Pines campground. The Foundation provided meals and outdoor activities. Campers brought sleeping gear and tents. If they didn't have a tent, one was provided. The kids loved it. We even had some itty-bitty tents if they wanted to sleep solo.

Our small sampling of families was pretty diverse. We had several couples, one large group with three generations. We even had traditional families, mom, dad and two children. (Yes, they are still out there.) And some single moms. They were all ready to take it easy and enjoy a relaxing weekend in the woods.

I was in charge of the "Trick, Track, Trail" activity. It

is a popular BOW class and it adapted well to the family camp. We examine the contents of an Arizona Game and Fish "bone box" paying special attention to the tracks an animal makes. The kids really enjoyed handling the skulls and hides of the different animals. We talked about which of those animal might be found around the camp and then took a walk to try to find some tracks or other sign of those animals. We found plenty of deer and coyote tracks.

During the walk, the campers would pick up leaves, sticks or anything that would make a pattern. One person used a bug. After the walk we made "camouflage" shirts by arranging the items on the shirt and spraying it with bleach water. This is great fun for women and kids but they tend to enjoy stuff like that. I was wondering how the men were going to like decorating a shirt but they surprised me. I am very proud of the men in my class. They jumped in there and made some great camouflage Tee shirts.

Camping and kids go together. Like chocolate and peanut butter, one just makes the other better. Adding a kid to a camp makes it a better camp. Add some camp to a kid and you will have a better kid. It is a universal truth. Try it.

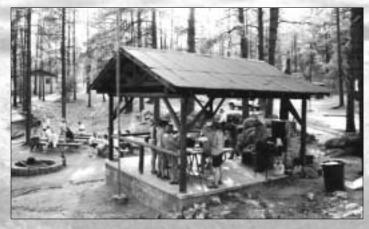
Thanks to All

By Ryna Rock

We had a wonderful weekend of fun and admittedly, hard work, at the Foundation's first Becoming An Outdoor Family Camp-Out at the Bradshaw Pines **Camp in Prescott National Forest.**

We asked our participants for their opinion and all were very happy with the venue, the "chow", and all that was included in that. For this first Family Camp-Out we had about 30 participants, 10 of whom were children of various ages. Most had little experience in the outdoors which meant we were giving them valuable information and hands-on knowledge for the future. That is what the Foundation is about.

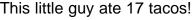
education and conveyance of the ethics of conservation to a Public who often has little or no information. and experience in the outdoors.



Gretchen Sherman and Judy Spiegel

Bill Cowan kept everyone well fed

Ryna Rock is Going To Eat it All!





Arizona Wildlife **Foundation**



HADDY CAMPERI

Mary Jo and I want to send a heartfelt thank-you to everyone who helped us through his or her commitment and efforts to host this event. They know who they are, but in particular we are very grateful for all the efforts and the commitment of Kim Kreuzer; Linda Dightmon and daughter, Crystal Hirsch. Jim Solomon helped out with the marketing and got us some top of the line tents for the Foundation.

Mark Hullinger conducted the woodsmanship class. By tying together basic survival and map and compass concepts he came up with a great family curriculum. Greg Hansen had some campers spellbound with his American Indian presentation. The "Kens" (Ken Miller and Ken Stephens) were everywhere helping out wherever they were needed. Bill Cowan filled in as our camp cook at the eleventh hour. WHEW!

Then there is Gretchen Sherman and Judy Spiegel who helped out with the shopping and cooking. And, we cannot forget the Kiwanis Club of Prescott for allowing us to use their facilities. If I missed anyone, I apologize. It was a great team effort and we gained a lot of knowledge for our future programming.

The Bradshaw Pines Camp is a beautiful and well set up facility for this type of event, so we will be contacting them to explore future opportunities in Family Camp-Outs. This weekend was the determining factor in whether or not the Foundation would continue with plans for a regular program of such events in the future. Join us for the next one.

Thanks again, one and all

Events

Enviornmental Fund for Arizona!

By John Underwood



AWF Life Member Lee Kohlhase Poses with Enviornmental Fund for Arizona

n August 3rd, I had the pleasure of accompanying Lee Kohlhase to an event at the Veteran Administration Building in downtown Phoenix, where AWF and other non-profit organizations were given the opportunity to promote our organization through the EFA. In doing so, we were able to bring awareness to the Goals of the EFA and the Arizona Wildlife Federation.

The organizations we were addressing at the event, would then go back to their members and by letting them know about us would result in donations to the members of EFA

and AWF. in particular by our being there. Another benefit is to be invited to one of their functions for an even greater exposure for AWF. Lee Kohlhase, Life Member of AWF, was instrumental in the organization of the EFA some years ago and has been active in the EFA ever since. This has resulted in substantial donations each year to AWF through our participation within the EFA.

The Fund provides numerous ways to get involved including preserving our spectacular wild places, keeping our skies blue and our rivers flowing, reintroducing native crops that tolerate heat and arid climates, creating sensible energy policies,

rehabilitating our wildlife when injured or orphaned, and getting our children together with nature through sponsored field trips, classroom presentations, and hands-on work programs.

The Environmental Fund for Arizona is a coalition of Arizona's finest conservation and environmental non-profit groups. Collectively, we are tackling every conservation and environmental issue facing Arizona today. The EFA serves as a bridge between the many citizens that care about Arizona and the agencies working on behalf of every Arizonan. If you work for an Arizona company or governmental agency, please take a few minutes to make a big differ-

It is easy. Just Call or Email the Environmental Fund for Arizona at 480-510-5511 or efaz@efaz.org. Leave your name, company name, and a phone number. Or fill out the information directly on the web site: http://www.efaz.org. Your name will not be shared and will be used for the sole purpose of broadening your workplace giving campaign.

For a complete list of EFA member groups go to www.efaz.org





Southern Arizona Wildlife Callers INC Tucson, Arizona Since 1962

outhern Arizona Wildlife Callers is a sportsman's club open to men, women and families. Our monthly meetings usually have an educational speaker. Topics include calling; wildlife management, hunting, habitat, firearms, and how to's; taxidermy and field care of animals. These are just some of the topics. In addition to our monthly meetings and newsletters we have monthly rifle shoots, a yearly family campout in the spring, a September BBQ and a family dinner in December. Nearly all members are hunters for all sorts of game - from predators, small game, birds, furbearers and big game. "Hunting" can be with firearms, archery, and often, photography.

Monthly meeting are held at 7:00 P.M. the second Thursday of every month at the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge (F.O.P.) on North Dodge Boulevard, in Tucson. (See "Calendar") Monthly rifle shoots and hunts during season. We are affiliates of the NRA, CMP, ASRPA, WCC and AWF. We sponsor CMP shoots once or twice a year. Support the Arizona Game and Fish Department in various ways including the "Adopt-a-Ranch" program. Our Web site is www.soazwildlifecallers.org

If you have been searching for a full service sportsman's club with activities for the entire family you need look no further. Contact us or attend one of our meetings. They're always free! We don't sell our knowledge of wildlife calling, big game, and small game hunting - we share it!

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AWF Round Up

Meet Your Board





Ken Alexander

Ken is Region VI Director of AWF

Ken is a native of Arizona. He grew up in a modest neighborhood in South Phoenix, where he learned to fish from the banks of the lagoons at Papago Park. He started hunting and fishing at age ten with his father. He was taught to leave the land better than he found it and never harvest an animal just for the joy of the take, but to respect and preserve the land and wildlife for future generations to enjoy. Among his duties as Region VI director, is serving as events coordinator for the region. Most weekends finds Ken wetting a line or exploring new places looking for deer, elk and turkey. Married to lovely Jennie for 25 years, they have two children Kayla and Kyle. Ken in addition to belonging to the Arizona Wildlife Federation is a Life Member of the Arizona Elk Society and supports many other conservation agencies with subscriptions and financial donations.

Larry Audsley

Larry is the Federal Agency Liaison

First and foremost Larry is an environmentalist fascinated with the rugged beauty of Arizona's public lands and determined to keep these places healthy and accessible for future generations. He is also an avid hunter with shotgun, rifle and bow; fishes for both cold and warm water species and likes to cast into the surf for corvina in the Sea of Cortez. Presently he is a member of the Arizona Wildlife Federation, Arizona



Antelope foundation and Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation in addition to many past organizations. Larry cofounded and is facilitator of Southern Arizona Sportsmen's Alliance, which started three years ago for the purpose of giving Tucson-area sportsmen a voice in wildlife, habitat and conservation. Since 1985 Larry has worked for Raytheon Missile Systems in various business and estimating capacities and is looking forward to retiring in a year or two. Larry has been blessed with an outdoors family, his wife Donna of 29 years and two grown children Scott 25 and Laura 22. Donna still greets him at the

end of his hunting trips with "did you catch anything?"

Fred Filmore

Fred is Director at large for AWF

For over 9 years Fred has worked closely with partnering agencies and nongovernmental organizations to restore Arizona's native trout, the threatened Apache trout and the endangered Gila trout, as well as, work on the recovery of the watersheds in which they inhabit. Past president of the Tucson Chapter of Trout Unlimited, Representative of Arizona Council of Trout Unlimited and Trout Unlimited Grassroots. Fred also is delegated with fund raising and grants proposals for Arizona Wildlife Federation. Fred's working closely with Trout Unlimited National Regional Staff and Volunteer Officers in strengthening a TU presence and influence in Arizona, benefits all of Arizona's wildlife and habitat, be it watersheds, fisheries, or hunting, it all ties together. Fred now resides in Mesa, AZ.



Chris Denham

Chris is the State Agency Liaison for AWF

Chris is an Arizona native born in Showlow only because Snowflake did not have a hospital at that time. He graduated from Douglas High School in 1981 and Arizona State in 1986 with a degree in Soil and Water Conservation. He worked for the Department of Water Resources as an intern during the formative years of the Ground Water Management Act. Upon graduation Chris worked for Inter Agricultural Services as the laboratory manager and field consultant. He moved to Tucson and began a career in the sporting goods industry for 15 years. He is now editor of Western Hunter magazine and manages Western Hunter Services (application service). Chris and his wife Carla celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary last May and have two children ages 16 and 13. They all now reside in Chandler. Chris is affiliated with many conservation organizations, mainly the Arizona Wildlife Federation and the Arizona Deer Association where is a founding member, past vice-president and president.



Mike Underwood

Mike is the Region V Director for AWF.

Mike is a life long Arizona resident, who was brought up with a shotgun in his hand. Jack Underwood, life member of the AWF, was his surrogate dad after their dad passed away. He learned early about the joy of being out of doors and enjoying what God has entrusted to us. He is a Tucson resident and the Operation Mgr. for a family held firm that is headquartered in Phoenix, for the past 37 years. Mike served many years on various Tucson Chamber of Commerce Committees. For 14 years



he served as secretary of the Tucson Rodeo Parade Committee and was elected Chairman, however due to work commitments, Mike had to resign the position before it really got started. He is married to a lovely wife, June, and they share two grown boys, 30 and 24 years old. As Region V Director, " I will work towards a greater participation of our AWF members, particularly here in the southern part of the state and the goals of the Arizona Wildlife Federation."

BOB VAHLE



Bob is the Region I Director for AWF

Bob currently works out of his home in Pinetop, AZ. as the Southern Rocky Mountain Bird Conservation Regional Coordinator for the Intermountain West Joint Venture, which is the nation's largest joint venture area under the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Migratory Bird Program. Bob worked as a Wildlife Biologist for 35 years and recently retired from the Arizona Game and Fish Department after 13 years as the Pinetop Region Wildlife Program Manager. He is a member of many wildlife and conservation organizations, Arizona Wildlife Federation, Arizona Elk Society, White Mountain Bowhunters, Nature Conservancy to name a few. He is an avid outdoorsman with hobbies including hunting, fishing, camping, wildlife photography and travel. Bob is a very strong advocate for professional management of Arizona's diverse wildlife and habitats.

Agency News

Fish Arizona! Campaign Receives Governor's Tourism Award

Phoenix, Arizona - The Arizona Game and Fish Department's Fish Arizona! campaign, which reversed a decade-long decline in fishing license sales, received the Innovative Promotions Award during the Arizona Governor's Conference on Tourism on July 11.

The Innovative Promotions Award is presented to the organization that best demonstrates outstanding quality and creativity in planning and carrying out a promotion campaign.

"Getting this award is very gratifying. To us, the reward really highlights something we know well - wildlife-related activities from fishing to wildlife watching generate hundreds of millions of dollars annually to help fuel the economic engine

of this state," says Dana Yost, the Information and Education Division assistant director for the Game and Fish Department.

The purpose of the Fish Arizonal campaign was to generate interest in fishing as a fun outdoor recreational activity among Arizona residents and visitors to the state, while also reversing the long-term decline in fishing license sales. It worked: fishing license sales from June to November in 2005 were 27-percent higher than the previous year.

"It really helps that we have a great product - this state's excellent year-round fishing. What else can you say except that fishing is great right now, so grab your fishing poles and go fish Arizona!" Yost says.

Dove and Quail Season Set

Dove season opens September 1st and ends Sept 15th with shooting hours of one half hour before sunrise until sunset in the northern half and one half hour before sunrise until noon in the southern half. Bag limit: 10 mourning doves per day of which no more than 6 may be white-winged. 25 Eurasian collared doves per day (noted by the black collar on the neck, square tail and blackish primary feathers on the wings)

Check the Dove and Band-tail pigeon regs at any local gun store or at AZG&F. Late season runs from Nov 24

to Jan 7, 2007 statewide with shooting hours all day

Quail season opens on October 13th and goes until Feb 12, 2007 for Gambel, Scaled and California quail. Bag limit 15 and 30 in possession after opening day in aggregate.

Mearns Quail season opens on November 24th and closes on Feb 12, 2007. After Nov 24th, the 30 quail possession limit may include Mearns Quail of which no more than 8 may be taken in any one day.

SUNRISE/SUNSET 2006/2007

Times shown are for central Arizona. Figure up to nine minutes earlier for eastern areas, nine minutes later for western areas.

Date	Rise	Set
Sept 1	6:02	6:54
Sept 5	6:05	6:48
Sept 10	6:08	6:42
Sept 15	6:12	6:35
Sept 20	6:15	6:28
Sept 25	6:18	6:21
Sept 30	6:22	6:14
Oct 1	6:23	6:13
Oct 5	6:23	6:07
Oct 10	6:29	6:01
Oct 15	6:33	5:55
Oct 20	6:37	5:49
Oct 25	6:41	5:43
Oct 30	6:45	5:38
Nov 1	6:47	5:36
Nov 5	6:51	5:33
Nov 10	6:55	5:29
Nov 15	7:00	5:26
Nov 20	7:05	5:23
Nov 25	7:09	5:21
Nov 30	7:14	5:20
Dec 1	7:14	5:20
Dec 5	7:18	5:20
Dec 10	7:22	5:21
Dec 15	7:25	5:22
Dec 20	7:28	5:24
Dec 25	7:30	5:27
Dec 30	7:32	5:30





Camp Cook

by Ryna Rock



Dutch Oven Beef Loaf

34 c. milk

1 small onion

1 egg

1 c. catsup

1 ½ c. fine bread crumbs

2 lbs lean ground beef (venison)

1 tsp salt

1 T brown sugar

½ tsp oregano

T Worcestershire sauce

Combine milk, egg, breadcrumbs, salt, oregano and onion with ground beef. Mix well. Pat into well-greased 12-inch dutch oven. Bake on medium to slow coals 1 hour. Combine catsup, brown sugar, and Worcestershire sauce, bring to boil. Pour on beef loaf and bake 10 more minutes.

Plain Pup

Take whatever amount is needed for hungry campers of nice, fluffy, cooked rice. Put in dutch oven and cover with milk and well-beaten eggs. Add sugar to sweeten well, a dash of salt, and a little nutmeg or vanilla. Bake with slow coals or a slow oven until egg mixture is done. This pudding is best if it never boils so be sure coals are not too hot. If it boils the egg and milk curdle.

Dutch Oven Rules:

Warm the dutch oven for biscuits, add a greasin', start pinching off biscuits and crowd 'em in. Preheat lid-evenly hot, but not red hot. Set oven on level bed of coals (live and red). Pile up alaong sides of oven, then put on hot lid and fill to rim with hot coals. When peekin' be careful not to spill ashes on food.

Lift lid and rotate a few times during cooking.

Historical Tales (Continued from page 6)

Flagstaff to deliver not less than 3,000 nor more than 8,000 deer to the south rim of the Grand Canyon and receive compensation at the rate of \$2.50 for each deer delivered. The route of travel was from South Canyon to Saddle Canyon. down into Nankoweep Canyon, across the Colorado River, and up the old Tanner Trail to the south rim. In December, 1924, an attempt using 125 men strung out on foot and horseback to assist was made but ended up with the deer all behind instead of ahead of them.

Other methods used were catching, rearing and shipping of fawns from 1925 to 1932. Local people were paid by the Forest Service to catch fawns, raise them on cows' mile until fall, then turn them back to the Forest Service for shipment to private or public parks in other places. More than 900 fawns were shipped to 34 states at payment of \$15-\$30 a head to those who raised them.

Another method was to trap live deer and ship them to other ranges. The trapping operation was successful as to handling the deer and placing them on other ranges, but the number that could be removed in any one year was very small.

In December 1928, Government employees on both east and west side winter ranges killed deer. The Supreme Court of the United States gave authority for this. All the deer killed were in very poor condition, and many were too poor to be utilized. Much of the meat was delivered to the Indian schools at Tuba City and Leupp, and to the settlers of Fredonia, Houserock, and Kanab.

The most practical and successful method of removal is by sportsmen and has been carried on since 1924 in cooperation between the Arizona Game & Fish Commission and the Forest Service.

In the winter of 1947-48 turkey were planted on the Kaibab

from a trapping program on the Sitgreaves National forest and has been most successful.

South Canyon is the home of a herd of about 200 buffalo. A hunt is held every year on this herd, which is the descendents of the herd that Uncle Jimmy Owen brought to the Kaibab years ago.

The money from the special \$5 Kaibab deer permit sold each hunter is used for wildlife management work such as juniper control, aspen control, browse reseeding, cutting spruce-fir from parks, water development and etc. amount averages about \$30.000 a year. This article about the history, management and importance of the North Kaibab was written because of the sportsmen's unfailing interest in that area.



AWF Round Up



By John Underwood

Every Sportsman/Sportswoman in Arizona Should Belong To The ARIZONA **WILDLIFE FEDERATION**

The AWF is a statewide organization that was organized as the Arizona Game Protective Association in 1923 to safe guard our privileges of hunting and fishing by insisting on sane administration of the states natural resources, thus avoiding repetition of the almost total extinction of game experienced in many eastern states. There, organized sportsmen have brought back wildlife through organized action; here, Arizona's organized sportsmen have been responsible for the maintenance, and in some cases, the increase, of the state's wildlife. Thus the A.G.P.A. and AWF's results have not been so spectacular, but have been effective.

The AWF can rightfully be a little proud of its accomplishments. But leaders in conservation are agreed that the battle is not yet won, that it will probably never be won until every person recognizes that only through the proper use of our natural resources can we maintain prosperity.

AWF is so concerned with the broad aspects of conservation, because it recognizes that only with the highest type of land and water use can game and fish supplies be maintained. When land begins to go downhill, game and fish are the first to follow.

The Arizona Wildlife Federation is:

- 1. Representing Arizona's Sportsmen/Sportswomen before the Game and Fish Commission, U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Sportsmen's Organizations, Etc.
- 2. Maintaining a permanent state office in the Phoenix metro area, with six Regional Directors through out the state, keep abreast of factors affecting hunting, fishing, conservation issues and available for action when crises arise.
- 3. Disseminating information regarding hunting and fishing and conservation through press, radio, and it's own quarterly publication, Arizona Wildlife News, which goes to each Federation and Affiliate member, and selected sporting establish-
- 4. Conducting frequent Executive Committee/Board meetings, and Annual Meeting/Convention, taking action on current developments affecting Hunters, Fishermen and Conservation.
- 5. Attempting to insure that every young Arizonan gets proper education in conservation problems and practices, through the Arizona Wildlife Foundation and the Arizona Wildlife Federation.
- 6. Informing state and national legislative bodies of problems and needs of Arizona sportsmen and women.

These and other AWF activities, require funds, of course. The only source of funds are, private individuals, corporate sponsors, affiliate organizations, fundraisers and membership. If you enjoy the outdoors, even if hunting and fishing are only secondary in your enjoyment, you'll want to help maintain our natural resources, for ourselves and our children. YOU CAN MAKE THE DIFFERENCE BY SUPPORTING THE ARIZONA WILDLIFE FEDERATION. By filling the following application for membership and sending it, with the dues, yearly, life, or benefactor, you will become a member of a worthwhile organization. If you are already one of our supporting members, get a friend to join up. If each member signed up just one new member, AWF would double our membership. So lets get out and get those new members and make a difference!

Welcome New Members

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Answers to 'WHADDA YA' **KNOW**

(from page 5)

- 1. \$1.00
- 2. 60 years
- 3. 1651
- 4. Grasshopper
- 5. By counting rings in vertebrae/spines/gill covers
- 6. The sunfish family.

Solo office space to rent on Country Club Drive in Mesa, Arizona Roomy 143 Square feet. Seperate entrance, untilities and parking included. \$295 a month Call 480-644-0077 to view

Trophy Book Housekeeping

Would the winner of the Knight 209 26" Blued Muzzleloader contact Kim at the AWF office.

The bolt and firing pin was left at the banquet in the box. 480-644-0077

AWF members

By Kim Kreuzer



Please take a moment to review the list of Life Members and past Benefactors to make sure we have not missed anyone.

If you want to add someone to the list or upgrade your own membership status, please use the membershipform provided below.

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