



GVR Hunting and Fishing Club Newsletter

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WHO DOES WHAT?

Officers- Because our club functions as a social club under the auspices of GVR it is necessary to have Bylaws, a Board of Directors and Officers. At present, our officers are:

Richard Toltzmann (President)
Bob Visschers (Vice President)
Dan Rundstrom (Treasurer)

Unfortunately nobody has stepped up to fill the Secretary position. New officers will be elected at the Annual Meeting on January 19th. Please be prepared to help out!

Directors- The present Directors are:

Bob Visschers
Tom Horn
Don Brown
Bob Forslund
Richard Toltzmann

The Bylaws are posted on our website at www.gvrhuntingandfishingclub.com

Volunteers -- The club can only operate with many sets of hands. **Other members need to step up and serve.** If only a few members do all the work the future of the club is doomed. The following members have volunteered to head up special projects.

Bob Forslund – Registration & room arrangement
Mike Hickey – Magazine, book and DVD exchange
Owen Bensen – Database
Don Brown – Website
Bob Visschers & Don Brown – Refreshments
Owen Bensen – Welcome Back Potluck
Tim Cameron, Don Brown & Owen Bensen – Swap Meet
Speaker scheduling – Ron Erickson, Don Brown & Tim Cameron
Desert litter cleanup – Jack Carnie

Volunteers Needed – Someone is needed to provide leadership for the following projects. Please email Richard Toltzmann at <mailto:rtoltzmann@cox.net> if you are willing to help out or have questions.

Position of Secretary
Going Away Party

Newsletter
Adopt-a-Ranch program

Trout in the classroom (TIC) program
Field Trip Arrangements

Senior Olympics (shooting sports) San Carlos fishing trip
“Camp Talk” Audio visual assistance
General fishing & hunting guide service information

Fishing & hunting buddy program
Design club logo

There will be sign-up sheets along with a brief “job description” for each activity available at the October meeting for those that are interested in helping out.

(Please email Richard Toltzmann at rtoltzmann@cox.net if you are willing to help out or have questions).

LOOKING AHEAD

Things are going well as we now have 36 members. That is about a 38% increase since the first meeting in March. Continue to spread the word and bring a friend to the next meeting. Approximately 20-25 potential members have indicated some interest. **We do your ideas for increasing the membership.** There will be a “New Club” profile in the December issue of GVR NOW.

MEETINGS

- Las October 20th – East Center Auditorium at 10 AM
November 17th – Las Campanas Ocotillo Room at 9:30 AM
December 15th - Las Campanas Ocotillo Room at 9:30 AM
January 19th -Las Campanas Ironwood Room at 9:30 AM
February 16th - Las Campanas Ocotillo Room at 9:30 AM
March 16th - Las Campanas Ocotillo Room at 9:30 AM
April 20th -Las Campanas Ocotillo Room at 9:30 AM
May 18th Companas Ocotillo Room at 9:30 AM

Refreshments are available beginning one half hour before each meeting.

SOCIAL EVENTS

At present we have Las Companas reserved for January 21st and April 7th. Originally the idea was to have a Welcome Back Potluck in the winter and a Going Away Dinner in the spring. The dinner could be a sit down catered meal with entertainment. Recently there has been some discussion about having the dinner in January and the wild game potluck in April because it was thought that by April everyone’s freezer would be filled up with game! Please relay your thoughts on this to any Director.

FISHING

ALL INFORMATION FROM AZGFD WEB SITE AS OF SEPTEMBER 22nd

Fishing Report

- Arivaca Lake – Lake Level is 6.4 feet below spillway level. Fair for largemouths. Late evenings and early mornings are best. Mercury advisory in effect.

- Patagonia Lake – Lake is full. Bass fishing is fair. Sunfish are active and fishing is reported to be excellent.
- Pena Blanca Lake – Lake is full. Bass and sunfish good. Night crawlers in early morning and late evening. Mercury advisory in effect.
- Parker Canyon Lake – Lake is 1.6 feet below spillway level. Bluegill fishing is excellent. Bass are fair to good. Call store at 520-465-5847 for additional information.

Fish Stocking

- All information from AZGFD web site as of September 22nd. Stocking will occur on or up to five days after the listed dates.
- Parker Canyon Lake Trout Stocking: October 17th, November 7th, December 12th, January 2nd, February 6th and March 6th.
- Pena Blanca Lake Trout Stocking: October 3rd, November 21st, December 12th & 26th, January 9th & 23rd, February 13th & 26th and March 13th & 27th
- Patagonia Lake Trout Stocking: October 31st, December 12th, January 9th & 23rd, February 13th and March 13th.
- Sahaurita Lake Trout Stocking: November 14th & 28th and December 3rd.
- Sahaurita Lake Catfish Stocking: October 3rd and 17th and 31st November 5th

Big Fish

Check out www.azgfd.com/fishing/bigfish/



HUNTING

Bird Hunting Seasons

- Gambel's & Scaled Quail- September 30th - February 12th
- Mearn's Quail- December 12th - February 12th
- Mourning Doves -November 25th - January 8th
- Ducks (Desert Zone) - October 21st – January 29th



Quail Prospects

Based on AZGFD biologists reports.

Gambel's – With spotty and spread out winter precipitation patterns, hatch dates seemed to be about the same as last year with good recruitment locally, but overall no significant change over last year.

Mearn's – The monsoon rain patterns have been consistent for five years straight now which have allowed the population to rise again this year. This should be an above average year.

Scaled – This year the birds had spotty winter rains and good monsoon moisture. This should be an above average year.

Checkout <http://www.azquailtoday.com/> for three good ways to field dress quail and other quail hunting information.

BIG GAME TAG APPLICATION DEADLINES – October 11th

Javelina (General) – February 24th to March 2nd.

Gould's Turkey- Unit 34A (Santa Rita Mts.) - April 28th – May 4th and May 5th- May 25th

Unit 35B (Patagonia Mts.) – April 28th – May 4th and May 12th – May 25th.



GENERAL INFORMATION

Remember to go to <http://www.azgfd.com/> to get information about Arizona fishing and hunting opportunities.

You will also find many links to other good sites and references to books, publications, videos, etc.

For starters try their Fish & Boat Web map under “Fishing”

Three good purchases (available on Amazon) would be:

- Hunting Arizona's Small Game – Guy Sagi
- Fishing Arizona – Guy Sagi
- Wingshooter's Guide to Arizona Upland Birds and Waterfowl. - William Parton

PICTURES

Pictures, especially those of persons engaged in their favorite sport, are needed for use in our web site, newsletters, public documents etc. **Please email to rtoltzmann@cox.net.**

They're Biting (Chuckle of the day)

A millionaire walked past an old man sitting on the curb outside a bar. The old man had a fishing rod and he seemed to be trying to catch fish in the storm drain. Taking pity, the millionaire took the old man to a nearby restaurant for a meal. As they ate the rich man asked. "So how is that storm drain working for you?"

"Not bad" said the old man. You're the third one I've caught today."