



April – May 2013

Presidents Message - Ken E.

I want to thank everyone in the Club for their support in this year of "interesting times." It started out kind of rough, but got much better as the Board of Directors expended a lot of effort training me to do what **they** wanted! Events have only gotten better as the year progressed; the outstanding turnout for the George Knox Memorial Boot Camp was inspiring as we addicted 40 victims of the next generation to varmint calling. And it looks like we will be even more viscous /generous this year! Thank you, Ruth & James (I know who is important) & all the other volunteers for your efforts at the Christmas Party. It is your work that put the Club back on a solid foundation. We have just finished one of the best opportunities for putting the Club out in front of the public, the AZ Game and Fish Exposition. Thank you, Ruth, James, Ed, Dan, Scott, Craig, Jerry, Corrina, Dick, Kendall, Larry, Cindy & anyone that my "sometimers" allowed me to forget! According to AZGFD, 35,000 came through on the two days we were there. This in spite of the high winds Saturday that closed & evacuated all the tents except the one we were in! We made lots of friends, some new members & annoyed some fellow exhibitors as we were noisy as hell. Since I was unable to persuade/trick someone into running for Chief, I hope the coming year is even better as I try to figure out where you are all going so I can get out in front.

Things To Be Aware Of

ALERT! The April AZGF Commission Meeting is April 12-13. They are setting the seasons & we should be at this Meeting anyway. However the trappers are asking for a show of force on Saturday for a possible trap issue. *The **April 2, 2013** PNCI Monthly Meeting will feature a **Spring Turkey Hunting Seminar!** In addition we will also raffle off a 12ga. Shotgun, have a predator calling demo & Club Elections. **April 19-21 – Marvin Robbins Youth Spring Turkey Hunt Camp:** Learn & get assistance hunting wild turkeys, seminars, outdoor skill activities, camp & food. Location: Payson area, Colcord Ridge Campground . Hosted by NWTF, AES, **PNCI** & AZGFD. **To Register Contact Rich Williams, rich@saselectric.com PNCI Members We Really Need Your Help! Register! *To contribute stories, pictures, etc. to this Newsletter send items to pvcigroup@yahoo.com ***How would you like to receive this Newsletter as a PDF file on the computer instead of in paper form? Let Membership Chairman James S. know either at Meeting or call (602) 820-5142. *Corresponding Secretary Eddie M. believes that the Lifetime Membership price is way too low & wants the price increased. A vote will be taken soon. What do you say? * **The 6-Month Hunt ends at the April Meeting. Turn in your critters to get credit for the season****

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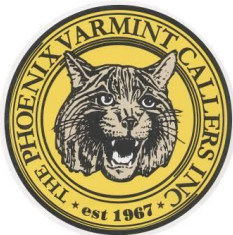
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Night-Calling Guru Steve (Dusty) Carter talks @ March Meeting

Scott H. teaches the kids about predator calling at the AZGFD Outdoor Expo 2013

Pics from prior Turkey Youth Camp. Volunteers needed for 2013 Turkey Camp on Apr. 19-21. Details inside!

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PVCI CLUB ELECTIONS HAPPEN ON APRIL 2, 2013!!!

If you really care about varmint calling & wanting things to matter, if you are interested in wanting to make a difference, then PVCI wants you to get involved & seriously consider running for some of the Board & Office positions that are open for election at the April Meeting. You DO need to be able to show up for 2 Meetings per month instead of just one however there are certain perks that only happen to those in these positions. This should help to more than make up for going to 2 Meetings a month. Interested even a little bit? Then please review the list below. Be one of those people that DO things? **In April (Election Month) you the member have a unique opportunity to nominate those that you believe can make a difference for the continuance and betterment of the Club. Do not forget that if you believe that you are that person, YOU CAN ALSO NOMINATE YOURSELF!!!**

OUR BY-LAWS STATE: The officers of this club shall consist of a president, vice-president, recording secretary, corresponding secretary and treasurer. There is also the board of directors. The Officers & Board of Directors shall be elected from the membership, by the membership, at the regular membership meeting in April of each year. These are the positions and the duties that the various positions entail: These are my definitions:

President: The Head Honcho, the Main Man. Responsible for running both the Monthly Club Meeting and the Board of Directors Meeting and shall direct the activities of this Club.

Vice-President: Assist the President in running the meetings and business, also in charge of all meetings in the absence of the President. **Corresponding Secretary:** Responsible for all club correspondence with the outside, the press, the other clubs, etc. He shall keep a complete file of this correspondence. Also presents all documents prior to mailing for officer & board approval and submit proof of all mailings. This person needs to have some PVCI letterhead in his possession. This person assumes the President's position in case of emergency or the absence of both the President and Vice-President. **Recording Secretary:** Accurately records all club minutes at both the regular and board meetings. These minutes contain among other things, the type of meeting, date and place and time of the meeting, a list of the officers and directors present plus any motions or amendments. Keeps this record in a safe place and is able to furnish past minutes if needed.

Treasurer: Receives all dues and other funds coming into this club then deposits them to this club's account immediately upon receipt. Keeps accurate records of all receipts and disbursements and is able to render an annual financial statement. Also prepares a monthly report that is entered into the club's minutes during the meetings. The Treasurer keeps the Club's checkbook and he/she pays all the bills incurred by the Club including rent, trophies, locker, mailbox, etc. and responsible for the club's non-profit status and records. The President, Vice-President and Treasurer shall be authorized to sign checks, two (2) signatures being required.

Board of Director Member(s): Must be able to attend two (2) meetings per month, the Monthly and the Board. Votes on issues discussed at these Board Meetings plus helps in planning and organizing club events, helps decide on the direction of the club and usually chairs at least one committee for the major club events. The Board of Directors is a 3-year term. All of the 5 officer positions are 1-year terms.

I tried to be as short and through as I could. Hopefully I didn't get anything wrong. To view a complete list of Officer & Board of Director duties, look at your Club Handbook. Must be current on Membership to Vote!

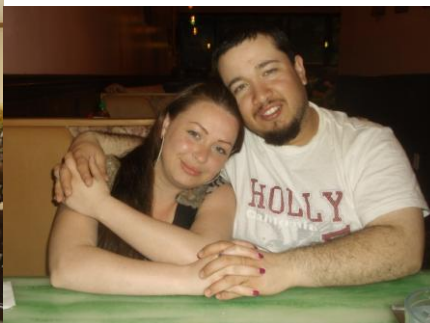
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Newly Married on Feb. 15, 2013



Foster & Crystal A.

Happy 5th Wedding Anniversary
on April, 14th, 2013



Ivan & Sara C.

Happy Birthday
April 1st



John Toner

Happy Birthday
May 15th



Will H.

PVCI MARCH CLUB HUNT STORY by Dick S.

After giving my 15 minute talk on hunting bobcats at the PVCI March Meeting I started thinking, I haven't taken Pam on any stands where I specifically called for bobcats. During the Club Hunt for March I made 3 stands with bobcat in mind. Coyotes that I called came in behind us on all but one stand during the weekend hunt. Pam and I set up on a stand where I put her downwind of me and only 10 yards from me. At 6 p.m. Saturday, I set her only 6 yards away from me and looking towards 2 small narrow washes joining into the one where we were set up. I started calling short intervals with a high pitched call and hardly any volume. After only 5 sessions of calling only 15 seconds each session, I completed the series and had only been calling 5 minutes when I heard Pam's shotgun blast! I looked beyond her and saw the bobcat flipping around as she put another round in and shot one more time. The bobcat had come in and was walking right toward her at only 10 yards away. When I stopped calling the bobcat walked to the end of the last bush and sat down. The cat and Pam had a stare down for a few seconds and she raised her shotgun and told Mr. Kitty to lie down. This is the first bobcat Pam has ever seen. She was shaking when she shot and it took about 10 minutes to calm down as I proceeded to carry it back to the truck. I showed her how to hold it for pictures and she did great. I skinned it out and got done just as the light from the sun was going. The female cat was large with good coloration for a desert bobcat. Pictured is Pam with a 23-pound bobcat (Estimated weight). I think Pam wants a lion next.



Javelina Hunt with Team Young Guns and Sponsored by Coues Whitetail

by Ruth S.

This was my first javelina hunt EVER. I found out about it when I was talking to Jerry and Corinna. They said it was lot of fun. So I talked to Heather and Scott about Heather going to the javelina hunt also. Heather said ye s and then she told me later that she wasn't going to be able to go. So between Corinna and I we talked her into changing her mind. So there were 3 PVCI girls that went to the Women's Javelina HAM Hunt along with the PVCI husband that supported us. James and I arrived Thursday afternoon. We were in the process of setting up camp when Jerry came over and said to get ready because a group of guys called Team Young Guns had spotted some javelina and they were willing to take Corinna and I out. So we got ready and we went with them to spot for the javelina. We went with Carl while Bryce & Weston went the other direction. Later Corinna and I saw Bryce come running through the desert because they had spotted some javelina. We followed him and Corinna almost got a shot but they took off. We then tried to follow them around the mountain but we could never find them. So we decided to head back to the trucks and go back to camp. Then Bryce and Weston asked us if we wanted to go out with them on Saturday morning to Bryce's ranch? We said yes! We left early Saturday morning and were gone almost all day. Corinna and Jerry went with Weston and James and I went with Bryce. Bryce took us up on a ridge and we glassed for a couple of hours. It was very windy. Then Bryce suggested we go back to the truck & drive around & glass the canyons.



Eventually we got out and walked up on a good looking ridge and glassed. While glassing James said that he had spotted a javelina over on another ridge. We started to walk that way and when we got close Bryce and I went to go find them but we didn't see anything. So we went back to the truck and met up with the rest of the group, then drove to another spot where they see javelina all the time after 10:00am. We walked up on to this ridge and started to glass. We were there about 20 minutes when they spotted more javelina over on another ridge. Bryce made a comment that he was going to walk us to death to get to them. Corinna and I got up and followed him. He took us through a wash and then up a mountain. While Weston, James and Jerry stayed behind to keep an eye on the javelina plus communicate with Bryce on whether they were still there and how close we could get to them. Corinna and I were tired by the time we got over there. Bryce saw the javelina about 5 yards away. He was going to have me shoot first but then he decided to have Corinna shoot because of the way they were laying. I had my bow and Corinna had a muzzleloader. Corinna took a shot at 5 yards and hit one. Then there were 2 more javelina but one took off real fast. Bryce got it to stop about 20 yards for me to shoot. I took a shot at 20 yards and missed because I dropped my arm to follow my arrow. Bryce told me what I did wrong but I already knew when I took the shot. Bryce told me not to be mad but I was kicking myself on the inside because I know not to do that. So I didn't get my javelina but that was ok because it was a great experience that I had that weekend. At least Corinna got her javelina that weekend. I will be going back again next year. I met a lot of nice people & the food was great. I suggest that if you are a woman & have never gone javelina hunting you need to go to the Women's Javelina Hunt next year. I know I'll be there next year. Overall it was a real adventure. Carl, Weston, & Bryce were great mentors. I really appreciate the time they spent with us & the knowledge they shared. I enjoyed the company of all the ladies, too. Thanks Amanda & crew for organizing this event.

P.S. To contribute stories, pictures, etc. to this Newsletter send items to pvcigroup@yahoo.com

ARIZONA GAME & FISH DEPARTMENT EXPO REPORT by Eddie M.

The Arizona Game & Fish Expo just ended & it looks to me that the Event will be another good one for the Department. I do not believe that any new records will be broken however a good amount of bodies did attend. The very strong winds on Saturday probably kept some home. They also caused the Game & Fish Department to prohibit entry inside of 2 of the 4 big tents that were erected, as they were concerned that the tents might blow down!

Your Phoenix Varmint Callers of course had a booth at this Event. We promoted the sport of Varmint Calling & told all we could about the Turkey Hunt/Call Seminar that will be going on at our April Monthly Meeting. WE ALSO promoted the Marvin Robbins Youth Spring Turkey Hunt Camp that we will be helping to sponsor on Apr. 19-21 at the Colcord Ridge Campground in Hunt Unit 23 (More info. inside). Raffle Tickets for an Axis .243 rifle w/scope were also Raffled off. Tickets were only \$1.00 each. We will draw the winning ticket for this rifle at the April Meeting. There was a lot of interest in this thing called Varmint Calling! We had a lot of help at the Booth on both days

The Game & Fish Department provided breakfast on Sunday morning in the form of coffee, juice, pancakes & sausages. Also during the weekend, lunch was offered at a reduced rate to many of the volunteers. The Arizona Deer Association was the place where I ate on Sunday. They had a deer brat and/or buffalo burger along with beans, cole slaw & a drink for \$6. The meal was Good Stuff! **Many, many THANKS to all those who helped in ANY manner THANK YOU!!!**



UPCOMING

PVCI SPRING/SUMMER EVENTS

The March Hunt is the last organized Club Hunt for the 2012/2013 season. During lots of the fall & winter we have been busy hunting. The Club now usually shifts from doing organized hunts to doing family-oriented events during the spring & summer months. The upcoming Events like the May Campout & Barbecue, the June Fishing Contest, the Trappers Convention in July & the Trail Clearing in August are ALL MUCH FUN & designed so that you & the family will have FUN while we make it through the HOT time of the year. We will of course still be having our Monthly Meetings while continuing to learn about hunting & predators.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PVCI FISHING CONTEST – JUNE 8, 2013 FREE FISHING DAY

Who is the “BEST FISHERMAN” in PVCI? The competition continues. In the fall/winter we are hunting and the families may/may not be involved. Now it is summertime, we are fishing and the families can be involved too. In fact they might beat you! There are 2 categories, Adult and Youth. Read below for more detail. The members to beat this year are Richardo & Richardo Jr. Last year they did not know how to fish for trout and won both categories. This year they know how to fish & they ARE Looking To Repeat! The gauntlet has been thrown down! Bring the friends also. You do NOT have to be a member to participate in this Event....and it is on Free Fishing Day so you don't even have to have a fishing license! Fire Regulations Permitting, Hope To See you there! Don't forget the Members and Guest raffle & bring a pot luck item for the fish fry!

UPCOMING EVENT: PVCI ANNUAL FISHING CONTEST – JUNE 8, 2013 FREE FISHING DAY!!!

PURPOSE: To find the BEST Fisherman in the Club in both the adult & kids category.

WHERE: Ashurst Lake

DATE: Saturday June 8, 2013, FREE FISHING DAY. TIME: Daybreak until 6:00p.m. You can check-in anytime during the day however the FINAL check-in will be at 5:30p.m.

ENTRY FEE: None, in fact a fishing license is not even required as this is Free Fishing Day and no license is required to fish on all public state waters except on the Indian Reservations.

CONTESTS OPEN TO ALL PVCI members plus their families and friends who may be interested.

There is usually 2 categories: Adult – ages 14 and older and children – ages 13 and under. 1st Place prizes will be awarded for the longest fish and the longest stringer. As in years past in addition to the prizes for longest fish & stinger, there will also be a **FREE Members & Guests Raffle!** You need Not fish in the Contest to be eligible for this Raffle however you Do need to be present.

After the Raffle Drawing we have us a Good, Ole **FISH FRY/ POTLUCK DINNER** at one of our pre-determined campsite locations!!! **Please do remember to bring a dish, also an extra frying pan, fish batter, aluminum foil, etc. to help with the fish fry.**

PVCI Member Eddie M. has agreed to run this Event and purchase the items for the **FREE Members & Guests Raffle.**

Foster Pheasant Hunt by Foster A.

This company does a great job of honing your skills for Pheasant , they are Desert Pheasant Recreation, 520-709-1019. Located at 1030 North Wheeler Rd in Coolidge. We were greeted with a great dog, guide and a slew of Pheasants. We rode out to the field and they were placed out for us to walk up assisted by the guide and pointing dog. We were able to shoot 5 of the 6. This hunt although it was on private land was really fun and the birds are good eating.



PVCI GUN RAFFLE

Normally if you are old enough to own a firearm, can pass a background check and have at least \$5.00 to invest, then you have a unique opportunity each and every month to win a firearm at the Phoenix Varmint Callers Monthly Meeting. How do we do it you ask? Well every other month or so the PVCI Board of Directors and Board Members choose a rifle, shotgun, handgun, etc. in advance. Then we here at the BI-Monthly Predator Tales do our best to let you know exactly what those choices will be (hopefully also in advance). Then on the night of the Meeting, with the firearm usually present for all to see, the Raffle Tickets are made available. Tickets are sold for \$5.00 each with NO LIMIT on the amount that you may purchase. You need NOT be a member to participate. The Raffle Drawing is usually held that evening and some Lucky Person wins!!!

All winners MUST be able to fill out and pass a background check. Please pick up your firearm at: **The Outdoorsman 10004 N. Cave Creek Road Phoenix, AZ. 85027. Phone: (602) 944-7121.**

The Gun for April is a Remington 12 Ga. 870 express shotgun with Thumb-hole stock

The Gun for May is a 22. 250 Axis with Scope

Someone will WIN!!! Will it be you? Again there is NO LIMIT on the amount of tickets that you may purchase!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

***** Members remember that you are welcome to attend the Board of Directors Meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. The Meeting is located at 12851 N. 19th Ave., Lodge #2, in Phoenix, AZ. Start time is 7:00p.m**

Mar. 1 – Night Hunting of coyotes opens in select Hunt Units. Shotgun Only! Light must not be attached to or operated from a vehicle. Hunt Units 2A, 4A, 10, 13A, 17A, 17B, 28, 31, 32, 34B, 35A & 35B. Check your Hunt Regs.

Mar. 31 – Bobcat, fox, raccoon, badger, ringtail, weasel, coatimundi & gunnison's prairie dog seasons end.

Apr. 2 - This is the 1st Tuesday. (PVCI Monthly Meeting, 12851 N. 19th Ave., Lodge #2) **TURKEY HUNT SEMINAR**, 12 ga. Shotgun Raffle & predator calling demo. Also **CLUB Elections Held**. Start time 7:00p.m. **6-Month Hunt Ends.**

Apr. 12-13 – AZ Game & Fish Commission Meeting to set the fall seasons. Meeting in Phx.

Apr. 19 – Hunt permit-tags for Fall 2013 antelope & elk should be mailed out by now!

Apr. 19-25 – Juniors-Only Spring Turkey Season opens in select Hunt Units! Check your Hunt Regs.

April 19-21 – Marvin Robbins Youth Spring Turkey Hunt Camp: Learn & get assistance hunting wild turkeys, seminars, outdoor skill activities, camp & food. Location: Payson area, Colcord Ridge Campground. Hosted by NWTF, AES, PVCI & AZGFD. **To Register Contact Rich Williams, rich@saselectric.com PVCI Members We Really Need Your Help at this Event! HELP THE YOUTH Become Excited About Hunting!!! Remember to register with Rich.**

Apr. 17 - This is the 3rd Wednesday. PVCI Board of Directors Meeting (12851 N. 19th Ave., Lodge #2) 7:00p.m.

Apr. 26 – Early Spring Turkey Season opens in select Hunt Units. Check your Hut Regs.

Apr. 27 – PVCI – Outdoor Rec Day at Chase Field – Discounted tickets / Colorado Rockies VS D-Backs. More info inside!

May 2 – Rifle Spring Bear Season ends. Check your Hunt Regs.

May 3 – Archery Spring Bear Season opens. Check your Hunt Regs.

May 3 – Late Spring Turkey Season opens in select Hunt Units. Check your Hunt Regs.

May 7 - This is the 1st Tuesday. (PVCI Monthly Meeting, 12851 N. 19th Ave., Lodge #2) 7:00p.m.

May 10 – Archery Only Non-Permit Tag Required Spring Turkey Season opens in Units 1, 4A, 4B, 6A, 12A, 23 & 27.

May 10-11 – Arizona Game & Fish Commission Meeting in Region III, Kingman.

May 15 - This is the 3rd Wednesday. PVCI Board of Directors Meeting (12851 N. 19th Ave., Lodge #2) 7:00p.m.

May 18-19 – PVCI Campout & BBQ our biggest Family-Oriented Outdoor Event. Location: Moqui Draw near the Blue Ridge ranger Station (same place as last few years). See Map & Proposed Schedule on the next page. Lots of fun & friendly competition. Potluck Dinner on Saturday night??? Bring your own steaks on Saturday, the Club will provide ???

May 23 – All Arizona Spring Turkey Seasons end.

May 31 – Night Hunting for coyotes in select hunting units ends. Also Tassel-eared squirrel in Unit 33 ends.

Jun 4 - This is the 1st Tuesday. (PVCI Monthly Meeting, 12851 N. 19th Ave., Lodge #2) 7:00p.m.

June 8 – PVCI Fishing Contest at Ashurst Lake – Free fishing day, no fishing license required. More details inside

June 8 – Outdoor Festival, Mormon Lake Lodge. 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM Family-friendly, free with 60 exhibitors

Jun 19 - This is the 3rd Wednesday. PVCI Board of Directors Meeting (12851 N. 19th Ave., Lodge #2) 7:00p.m.

June 21-22 - Arizona Game & Fish Commission Meeting in Region VI, Mesa.

July 2 - This is the 1st Tuesday. (PVCI Monthly Meeting, 12851 N. 19th Ave., Lodge #2) 7:00p.m.

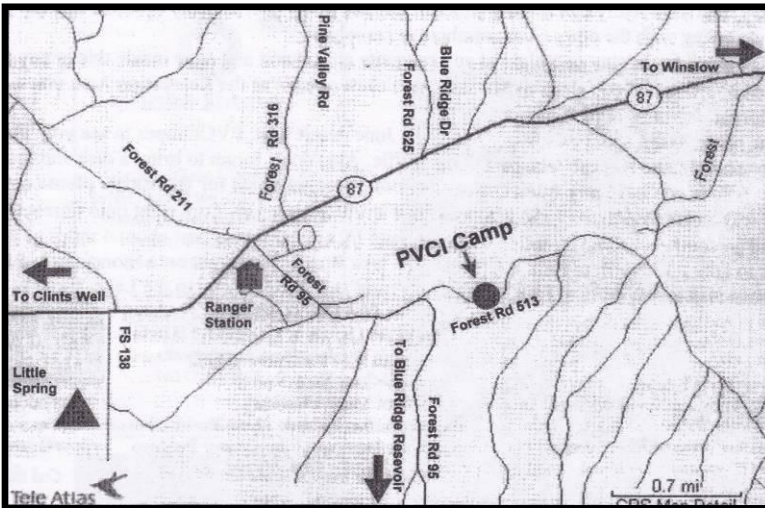
*****NOTE FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN:** The shipping label on this Newsletter provides your personal membership expiration month & year on the same line as your name in the form of MMM-YY (i.e., FEB-13 for February 2013 expiration). If Membership is NOT current it will be noted in RED letters on the shipping label. Please submit the proper payment to keep your Membership current. The fee to renew remains \$25 and should be made payable to PVCI. Send payment to PVCI c/o Membership Chairman, P.O. Box 87153, Phoenix, AZ. 85080-7153. For new members the fee is \$35 and the forms are available at the General Meeting. For questions regarding membership, contact the new Member-ship Chairman James S. or his wife Ruth S. at (602) 524-3586 or (602) 820-5142. Renewal Fees help the Club!

PVCI WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS: David P., Scott B., Richard H., Bruce M., Rob S., Tricia Y. **WELCOME!!!**

PVCI MEMBERSHIP COUNT: 181 Members

PVCI BARBECUE SCHEDULE & MAP

Plan ahead for the 2013 Annual Campout & Barbecue. It will be held May 18-19 at Moqui Draw, behind the Blue Ridge Ranger Station-same location as the last couple of years. (See the Map below) All Club members, friends, neighbors, relatives, relatives neighbors-well, EVERYONE is WELCOME!!! Especially if you have guns & bullets & can shoot them! (Nice but not necessary) This is our Premier Outdoor Event of the Year, where we all get together in the cool high country & have fun!!! Lots of target shooting contests. .22 Pistol & Rifle will have separate divisions for men, women & youths (10 to 16 years old). The Gong Shoot (big bore handguns) will have separate divisions for men & women. The Bowling Pin Shoot, Jug Shoot, Muzzleloader Shoot, Muzzleloader Jug Shoot and last but not least, the 3D Archery Shoot will have the men & women competing together. There has traditionally been a Jr. Calling Contest however we need some youth present to participate. If you bring any kid that is above an infant that can call consider bringing some calls so that we can have this "FUN" Event. In between the shooting look forward to some really good food & having a cool good time up in the pines. There will be water/Gatorade provided by the Club throughout the weekend. The Club will also provide dinner on Saturday night. Menu to be determined. If you would like to bring a potluck dish/dessert to help out then that will be okay though not required. Please do invite the family & friends! Member Tommy M. has graciously accepted to head this Event yet another year. If you have ANY questions about the Event please e-mail him at webmaster@pvci.org If you don't have a computer then call at (602) 321-7489. Hope to see you there!!!



Route #1: On Hwy 87 go through Payson, Pine, Strawberry & Clints Well. Stay on Hwy 87 to the first right (FR 95) past the Blue Ridge Ranger Station. Take FR 95 south & go approximately 1 mile to FR 513. Camp on FR 513.

Route #2: Go north on I-17 to Camp Verde. Turn right on either exit 287 or 288 to Hwy 260. Go east on Hwy 260 to Hwy 87. Turn left on Hwy 87 & then follow the Route #1 directions.

PLEASE only camp on the right side of FR 513 as you drive in. According to the NEW Coconino Forest Rules, Please DO NOT camp more than 100 yards from the main road. Shooting will be on the left & again according to the New Rules Please DO NOT park more than 10 yards from the main road on the left side. * **Keep ALL dogs on a leash** * Portable toilets will be provided. * Please clean up your camping area before going home. Pack out all trash. * Please drown your ashes w/ water & dirt & scatter the camp fire ring rocks. * Please bring canopies or tarps for shade & extra ice.

REMEMBER GUN SAFETY: No loaded firearms in camp. Please No alcohol & guns. SHOOT ONLY when directed to do so & in designated area. Use the proper firearms for targets.

REGISTRATION For Target Shooting Events: See Tommy M. Cost is \$2.00 per shooter per event. All shooting events to immediately follow each other. Times may vary.

NOTICE: All events are shooting what you brought, all Optics OK – except no magnified optics for jug shoots. A Red- Dot sights (no projected laser beams) is considered the same as an iron sight as long as there is no magnification.

SATURDAY'S EVENTS: Start Time: 8:00a.m.

.22 pistol – men, women, kids (10-16)

.22 rifle – men, women, kids

Gong shoot – Big bore pistol only – men, women, kids

Kids BB gun shoot??

LUNCH TIME (sorry, food not provided)

Archery 3D shoot

Muzzleloader – men, women, kids

DINNER: Tommy (or the Club) will provide dinner – Menu to be determined later. Club to provide a grill for cooking.

Again if you would like to bring a potluck dish/dessert to help out then that will be okay though not required. Please do invite the family & friends!

SUNDAY'S EVENTS: Start Time: 8:00a.m.

5 pin shoot – men, women, kids

Jug shoot - \$1 per shot: (buy as many as you like but only 1 shot taken until your turn rolls around or the jug is hit). Pull a number from a hat & that's your order to shoot. Muzzleloader jug shoot pot has \$16 from last year.

Kid's calling contest

TURKEY TALK by Eddie M.

It was now the third day of the late hunt in Unit 1. I was hunting with Turkey Hunter John (THJ) and so far things were not going well for us when it came to hearing turkeys in our location. Actually this was one of John's locations. The country looked good with lots of ponderosa pine & even some spruce up higher. We were finding some turkey sign here & there along the roads. The view from up on top of the hills was spectacular. Yet listening from up on top in the evenings was futile. It has always been amazing to me how sometimes you can see so much country in the evenings and not hear a thing! Now this was the 1st week of the late season, which means that some birds were bound to be dead. There was also good access on these roads. This means that hunting pressure was likely high in this location. High hunting pressure can often mean lower success. The mornings proved just as silent. We gave the place a chance then on the 2nd day in the afternoon, I left for another destination where I had hunted once some 8 years before. The guy I was helping & I had also moved to over there from our 1st destination, arriving in the dark. I found some sign in the dark so that was where we slept. Come morning that year we heard 7 different gobblers sounding off! The next morning I called in a gobbler that we just couldn't quite get a shot at and that hunter went home empty-handed. Back to the present, I told THJ about this location & headed towards it on the afternoon of the 2nd day. There had been a BIG FIRE there during the summer & I was not sure if the area was burned or not? My goal was to find some sign & roost some birds before dark. Both goals were accomplished. The area had burned in spots but was generally okay. There were some roads that you were not allowed to even drive on and others that you could not camp on. I found good turkey sign (both hen & gobbler tracks & droppings) right on the road where I camped. There were also a couple of really BIG wooded canyons close & more country than roads especially by these canyons (less pressure). In my mind this would give the birds a chance to live longer. I heard 2 gobblers that night & concentrated on pinpointing the one furthest from the roads somewhere by the canyon.



Come morning I only heard one bird & went after it. It quit gobbling after a while & that was that. I walked around some prospecting (walking and sounding like I was a hot hen or hens). Then I walked down & up the other side of the big canyon. I saw lots of sign but heard nothing as the wind picked up. A turkey's greatest friend is distance. They can be gobbling their heads off but if they are too far away to hear then you won't hear them. The wind is their next greatest friend.

In the evening I drove to the other side, preparing to walk that side of the canyon close to the edge. Glassing before I got out of the truck, I spotted a lone gobbler in the distance, walking out in the open. I waited until it entered the woods then geared up and quickly headed towards it. When I got to where I thought it might be, I started calling. I got a response from two different gobblers and headed toward one of them. It gobbled & gobbled and seemed like it might come in but never did. I left after it got totally dark & noted on the road where I wanted to park & walk in the next morning.

The next morning I heard both birds again. I closed the distance first before calling to him. Oh did he answer back! I did some more excited calling then moved up towards the top of the hill & found a tree. I had just got positioned with the gun in the air when I saw the bird crest the hill gobbling. It walked with a purpose towards the last sounds. I shot him at 46 steps!

To get the maximum enjoyment out of hunting the wild turkey gobbler, one on one, one hunter, one turkey is the ultimate way to go. I believe that you should learn to do it all. You should learn to locate, call & finally make the kill on your own. Going hunting with others is okay & is just the way that some hunters hunt. There is nothing wrong with trying to help your buddies get a bird. For you new turkey hunters, practicing your calling with & then seeing just how the experienced turkey hunter goes about using the calls on a gobbler can be quite educational & really shorten your learning curve. Sooner or later though, every person that wants to call themselves an expert turkey hunter should learn & be able to do it all. All without the aid of food plots or fixed blinds next to food plots. Also without the use of rifles or shooting from the road and no roost shooting or using bait either. Think about it, the poorest hunter in the woods could probably kill the biggest gobbler in the woods inside a bull-blind with bait around it...and the people that kill their gobblers this way usually think that killing turkeys is so easy & that they are not a challenge. I believe that the wild turkey gobbler deserves better treatment than this.

Up & coming turkey hunters should read all they can about the wild turkey. Its habits, food preferences & what they do at certain times of the year & day. You should know their language. For example a "cluck" means what and is used when? The same thing with the yelp & the purr, what do they mean & when are they used? Then of course you need to know how to make the sounds on a turkey call. Calling some say is only about 30% of turkey calling. I disagree & say it might be between 40% & 60%. I put the higher emphasis on the fact that those I know that have not been as successful are in most cases the ones that know the least about calling. If a gobbler hears you & believes that you are a hen, well that can go a long way towards taking him home to meet your freezer. You do not have to be an excellent caller, just know how & when to do some basic sounds & do not overdo it in most cases. Remember in nature, the gobbler gobbles & the hens come to him. **You are trying to reverse nature & make him come to you.**

****We are putting on a Turkey Hunting/Calling Seminar at the April Monthly Meeting on April 2nd. Rich Williams of the Valley Longbeards & PPCI member Tommy M. are the instructors. Bring a friend. We are also raffling off a Remington 12ga. shotgun. Tickets are \$5 each, No Limit and the Drawing will be that night.**

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ARIZONA TRAPPERS ASSOCIATION (ATA) – FUR SALE REPORT

The ATA Fur Sale was held on Feb. 2, 2013 at the Gila County Fairgrounds in Globe, AZ. Prices for bobcats were good this year. We had 870 bobcats that sold in the auction, the high was \$1300 with an average of \$420, 713 grey foxes sold and the high was \$37 with an average of \$30, 413 coyotes sold and \$45 was the high with an average of \$23.



Hunters, do not forget that if for whatever reason, you have a big-game tag that you cannot use, that you can donate that tag to Outdoor Experience 4 all. This group takes terminally ill kids hunting. See their website: www.theoutdoorexperience.org

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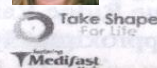
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April 19-21 – Marvin Robbins Youth Spring Turkey Hunt Camp: Learn & get assistance hunting wild turkeys, seminars, outdoor skill activities, camp & food. Location: Payson area, Colcord Ridge Campground. Hosted by NWTF, AES, PPCI & AZGFD. **To Register Contact Rich Williams, rich@saselectric.com PPCI Members We Really Need Your Help at this Event! HELP THE YOUTH Become Excited About Hunting!!! Please Remember To Register with Rich.**

PREDATOR HUNT RESULTS

Thought I might try to give you the results of some of the organized hunts that went on throughout the state. It is April now and for the most part a lot of us are done with coyotes until fall unless invited to help. The antelope areas still do need help. Remember that Night Hunting of Coyotes w/Shotgun Only goes from March 1st to May 31st in select Hunt Units. Most of these night hunting areas are in these antelope units. Check your Hunt Regs.

Antelope Eaters Hunt Results: Held on March 2 & 3. Check-in was in Seligman, AZ. 111 teams consisting of 260 hunters participated. 37 of the predators were brought in, hunters removed these fawn-eaters at no cost to the state, giving the newborn deer and antelope fawns, elk calves, turkey poults and javelina redds a better chance of survival. These coyotes were taken in Units 9, 10, 18A, 18B and 15A

Mar. 30, 2013 – Save-A-Fawn Hunt –The date was changed on this Hunt at the last minute so it was held on March 23 instead of the printed March 30 *Easter weekend). I heard that 10 hunters showed and No coyotes were killed.

Apr. 2, 2013 – End of PPCI 6-Month Hunt. Turn ALL of your Proof-of-Kills in to the Hunt Chairman at April Meeting.

PPCI MONTHLY HUNT REPORT:

The March Club Hunt was held March 9th - 10th, 2013. This was the last hunt of the 2012/2013 season. Nine teams registered for the hunt, but only 2 teams checked in with animals.

The results were as follows:

1st Place: Terry J., Bob B. checked in with 5 Coyotes.

2nd Place: Dick and Pam S. checked in with 1 Bobcat and 1 Coyote. It was Pam's first Bobcat she's ever seen, let alone shot.

Scott H Checked in with 1 Coyote but was missing the remainder of his team.

Congratulations to All! Good Job.

Predator Hunting Websites To Visit: www.ppci.org, www.predatormasters.com, www.thearizonahunter.com, www.predatorprofessionals.com

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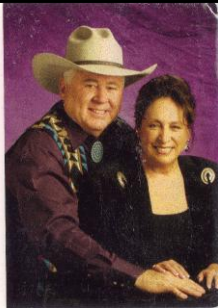
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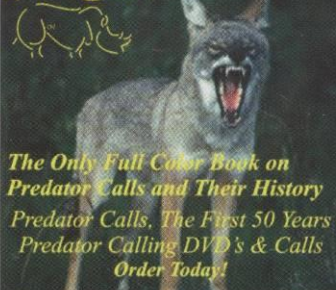


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