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April 2014

APC

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## The President's Message

by Rich Higgins, APC President

April is is whelping season, the third biological season of the coyote. They are less vocal and less likely to approach distress calls at this time of year. If they are causing a predation problem, however, a threat barkhowl broadcast from a stand setup in close proximity to a den will often bring spectacular results from the adults.

April also brings us the annual family campout. It will be held again this year near Heber in the cool pines. It is once again presented by **Dennis Slade**, aka "Lefty", (ask him about it). Bring the kids for sure. The directions will be in this newsletter.

April also brings us a must see event. **Steve Craig**, aka "the Lion King" will give his inimitable seminar on lion calling. A fun filled, fact filled rollicking event that always surprises me about how little I knew about lions. Don't miss this one if you hope to have a lion in your future.



Rich Higgins, in his camo netting, eyes a coyote that has come to the call.

Arizona Game and Fish Department's new Fur Biologist **Cindy Howard** is scheduled to be at the meeting. She will be introduced to the membership. See you there.

Call "em close.

*Rich*



### Coming Events

APC Meeting.....April 10, 2014  
APC Family Campout.....  
.....April 25+26, 2014  
Monthly APC meetings are held at the  
Mesa FOP Hall, 1450 E. Main Street, Mesa,  
from 7:00 pm until 9:00 pm

## Membership Report

**We welcome New members:**

Robert Harry of Gilbert and  
 Danny Nielson and Jerry Van  
 Mourik of Mesa

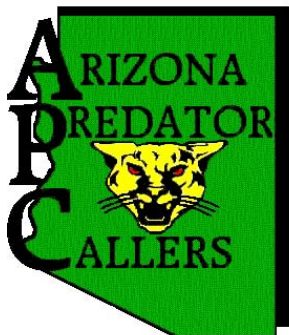
**Thanks to the following  
 members for renewing their  
 APC memberships:**

Arnold Cason and  
 Jeff Heinze

**Recently expired. We'd love to  
 have you back:**

Ron Day, Jerry Snodgrass,  
 Susan Frabotta, Robert  
 Hedrick, Steve Jansen, Bob  
 Jeffery, Robert LaVoie, Don  
 Liona, RH McGilchristy, James  
 Petersen, Dave Pratt and  
 John Schwab

**Please renew your APC  
 membership before it expires.  
 You don't want to miss a single  
 issue of "Predator Pride". The  
 membership form is available  
 on the last page of the  
 newsletter.**



## March Meeting Program "Steve Craig the Lion King "

At this months meeting we will be having **Steve Craig speak on Lion Hunting**. Steves vast experience on hunting the mountain lion will be shared in this outstanding presentation. Be sure to attend this one.

The Arizona Predator Callers meeting is on **Thursday, April 10, 2014 at 7:00 PM.**

**The meeting will be held at the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #9 at 1450 E. Main Street, Mesa. The FOP Lodge is on the north side of Main Street between Stapley and Gilbert Road in Mesa, 2 doors west of the Radio Shack.**

The meeting is free to APC members and students under 18, and \$5 for non-members. Refreshments and door prizes are included in the admission price.

Please contact Rich Higgins, APC President, at 480-385-9772 or richaz1221@aol.com if you have any questions.

## Treasurer's Report

Checking Account Balance	
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	
03-01-14.....	\$6,652.50
Check #1852...John Harry, refreshments	
.....	(\$32.99)
Check #1853.....Pinnacle Peak Ace	
Hardware.....	(\$288.86)
E-payment.....Red Onion, Heber for	
.....Save-A-Fawn dinner...	(\$213.99)
Deposit - memberships.....	\$756.00
<b>03/31/14 end balance.....</b>	<b>\$6,872.66</b>
Petty Cash Beginning Balance.....	\$97.61
Call Sales.....	\$0.00
Merchandise.....	\$0.00
Dues Received.....	\$70.00
Raffles Received.....	\$666.00
Deposit to Checking.....	(\$666.00)
<b>Petty Cash Ending Balance.....</b>	<b>\$167.61</b>
<b>Total cash.....</b>	<b>\$7,040.27</b>
<b>Total Inventory of Goods.....</b>	<b>\$1,485.75</b>
<b>Total Assets.....</b>	<b>\$8,526.02</b>

## APC Video Library

The following individuals have videos checked out.  
**Please return in a timely manner so others  
 may view also.**

3/13/14	John Anderson.....	Bullet Myths
1/9/14	Eric Alhstrom.....	Calling Coyotes Like The Pros
3/13/14	Jerry Snodgrass.....	Coyote Behavior
3/13/14	Charlie Innacone...	Crazy Like A Coyote
1/9/14	Eric Alhstrom .....	Mastering the Art of Predator Calling
3/13/14	Danny Nielson.....	Nail Em AZ Style
3/13/14	Charlie Innacone.....	Operation Predator
12/13/13	Eric Alhstrom.....	Truth 2 Calling All Coyotes



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 photos to:  
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# Hunt Report

by Dusty Mosier, Hunt Chairman



The Save-A-Fawn Hunt last weekend wasn't as successful as we would have liked as far as total hunt results. Although congratulations go out to **Joe Porath and Mark** for taking seven coyotes with one shot. In fact, they turned in the only animal(s) taken during the hunt. A female with 6 unborn pups. This sounds sad to some, but just think of the fawns that may not be taken by this pack of coyotes when they mature.

At the Check-in on Saturday, held at the Red Onion restaurant, ten members showed up. Our club picked up the tab for dinner and drinks. The weather was great, sunny, warm and not much wind. However, there was a lack of predatory participation as most teams didn't see anything.

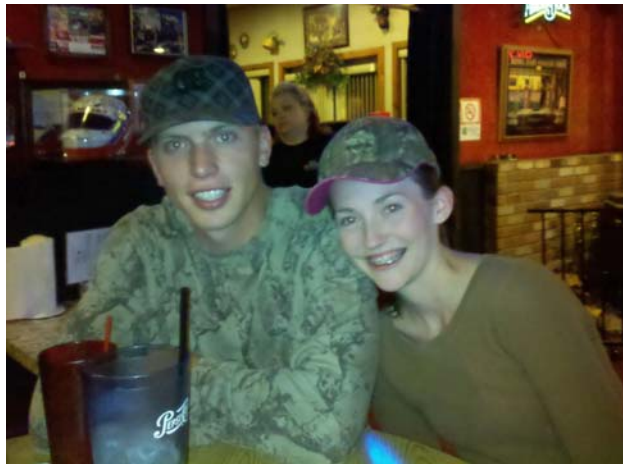
Please remember your hunt reports are due at or before this month's meeting. Even if you were unsuccessful or didn't even get out, I still need to hear from you. Approximately 60 to 70% of our club members do not kill anything each year, so don't

## Hunt and Events Calendar

APC General Meeting.....April 10, 2014  
APC Family Campout.....April 25+26, 2014  
APC Awards Banquet/Mtg.....May 8, 2014

**Please get these dates and events onto your calendar.**  
**Club hunting events are in red type.**  
**Dates and events are subject to change.**

All APC General meetings are held on the **second Thursday** of each month.  
All APC Board meetings are held on the last Monday of each month. Any APC member is welcome to attend.



*APC members Troy and Sabra Clark at the Red Onion check-in for the Save - A - Fawn Hunt*

feel like you are the only one. If you have nothing to report please just let me know. You can e-mail (mosierds@yahoo.com), fax (480-899-0975) or call and leave a message (480-899-1121 (Dusty's Cabinets)). Please let me know as soon as possible so I won't have to track you down.

Be Safe, Have Fun,  
Shoot to Kill !

*Dusty*

### April Firearm Raffle

**This month's firearm will be a CZ612 shotgun in 12 g plus camo.**

**Buy your tickets at the meeting. 5 tickets for \$20.00 or \$5.00 each.**



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## Becoming an Outdoors Woman Workshop April 25-27

April 1, 2014

Don't miss the fun and adventure of the Becoming an Outdoors Woman workshop April 25-27 at Friendly Pines Camp in Prescott. Space is limited for this popular all-inclusive women's' weekend in the pines, so reserve a spot now. BOW is sponsored by The Arizona Wildlife Federation in partnership with the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

Horsemanship, outdoor photography, birding and hiking are just a few of the classes offered. Learn and practice archery, fly-fishing, Dutch oven cooking, shotgun, rifle, and pistol shooting. Choose from more than 30 different workshops and classes than range from relaxing to adrenaline-pumping. BOW provides the equipment, so guests can try new sports and skip the expense of buying equipment.

The BOW workshop introduces women to outdoors skills in a relaxed, non-threatening environment with expert instructors. Classes are held throughout the day. Evenings are filled with fun and entertainment like happy hour, campfires, night hikes, fly tying, presentations and motivational speakers.

"BOW is about so much more than hunting and fishing, or camping and paddling," said program coordinator Linda Dightmon. "It's all about learning to appreciate our wild lands and wildlife and how to help conserve them. It's about learning a new skill or conquering an old fear. It's about meeting like-minded women and making new friends. It could be all about learning a lot more about you."

Guests stay in rustic cabins outfitted with electricity, bathrooms, showers, sinks and bunk beds. Food, lodging, class materials, sports equipment and expert instruction are all included. Pack a sleeping bag, personal stuff, a good attitude and an eagerness for learning.

The cost of this all-inclusive weekend of discovery and adventure is just \$245. Reservations are still available, but traditionally sell out well in advance. Whether this is a solo weekend, a girls-get-away, or a family affair, guests leave with new skills and great memories.

For information about Becoming an Outdoors Woman workshop, schedule of classes and registration forms, contact the Arizona Wildlife Federation office. (480) 644-0077 [awf@azwildlife.org](mailto:awf@azwildlife.org) [www.azwildlife.org](http://www.azwildlife.org)

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The Arizona Game and Fish Department hosts the first of six regional open houses on April 3, making available for public review the final proposed draft hunt recommendations for deer, bighorn sheep, turkey, javelina, buffalo, bear, mountain lion and small game animals.

Each year the department makes recommendations to the Arizona Game and Fish Commission regarding the management of game species for the annual hunting and trapping regulations, which establish the seasons, dates, bag limits, open areas, and hunt permit-tag allocations based on the framework of the hunt guidelines set by the commission every two years. Following six public forums in March, the final proposed draft hunt recommendations were posted and are currently available online for public review.

- View the [proposed hunt recommendations](#)
- View the [Commission Memo](#) for the April 12 Commission meeting

The proposed hunt recommendations will be available for public review at several regional open houses. There will be no presentations at the open houses.

- Thursday, April 3, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the **Tucson** regional office, 555 N. Greasewood Road
- Tuesday, April 8, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the **Flagstaff** regional office, 3500 S. Lake Mary Road
- Tuesday, April 8, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the **Kingman** regional office, 5325 N. Stockton Hill Road
- Wednesday, April 9, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the **Pinetop** regional office, 2878 E. White Mountain Blvd.
- Wednesday, April 9, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the **Yuma** regional office, 9140 E. 28th Street
- **Wednesday, April 9, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Mesa regional office, 7200 E. University Drive**

The final fall hunt recommendations will be presented to the Arizona Game and Fish Commission for consideration during its April 12 meeting in Phoenix.

To learn more about the hunt recommendations and hunt guidelines processes, visit [www.azgfd.gov/huntguidelines](http://www.azgfd.gov/huntguidelines).

# 2nd Annual APC Family Campout

**April 25th and 26th** is the date for our 2nd Annual APC Family Campout. This fun, family event will be held near the Canyon Point campground on the Rim. Come up on Friday to spend the night or Saturday for the events and pot luck dinner. Stay Saturday night too if you want.

To get there, head out the Beeline Highway (87) towards Payson. In Payson, turn onto AZ 260 and head toward Heber. It is quite a ways past Woods Canyon Lake. Look for **mile post 286**. Half a mile past mp 286, turn left onto **Forest Road 237**, also known as Larson Ridge Road. It is well signed- even from the highway. Just as you go under the power lines you turn left, maybe 100 yards past the easement. It is about 1/4 mile before you get to Canyon Point CG and about 1.75 miles west of Forest lakes. If you get to Forest Lakes on the highway, you have gone too far.

Proceed on **FR 237** north 3 miles to FR 172 and turn right. The campsite will be on the right side, about 100 yards or so down 172.. Watch for the APC signs.

Dennis will cook burgers on Friday night, **April 25th** and we want to do a pot luck on Saturday, **April 26th** in the afternoon with the club supplying smoked pork. We need a little participation so we have some salads and sides.

**Special Events Chairman** Dennis Slade.....928-499-8445      dwslade@gmail.com

### Last year's event photos



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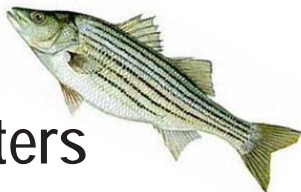


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# March Meeting Highlights



**The March meeting provided interesting stories and information presented by Wilderness EMT's Tom Felix and Stephen Lang, members of the Pinal County Search and Rescue. Dusty Mosier filled in for President Rich Higgins.**



Door Prize Raffle winners



Happy winners of the Raffle ticket drawings.



**Robert Jeffery won the 22-250 Savage Axis**

## Arizona Predator Callers - Membership Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Hm Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Wk Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_  
email address: \_\_\_\_\_

ARIZONA PREDATOR CALLERS LIABILITY RELEASE: by signing below I understand that I will not hold APC and/or APC board of directors, officers, committee Members, Judges, Members, and volunteers responsible in any way for accidents, losses, judgments, or any Act of God that may happen while participating in any APC sponsored or co-sponsored meeting or event. APC policy is to promptly report to law enforcement all suspected abuse and sexual molestation. Have you been convicted of a Crime? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### Additional Family Members

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Annual Membership.....\$30.00  
Family Membership add \$5.00.....\$35.00  
Lifetime Individual Membership.....\$350.00

New Membership

Renewal

Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

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