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### THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Ned Burris, APC President

Hello all APC members and their families. I can't believe another hunting season is almost gone! I didn't get to hunt as much as I have in the past. However, I still made it to the World Championships in Nevada in December, I still had a decent hunting season. My focus now is at home. My daughter Abigail is 15 months old and is almost walking, she keeps my wife and I very very busy. My son Clayton is almost nine and is 5 feet tall. It always amazes me what can change in the course of one season or one year. . . like me becoming APC President. Ten years ago I would have never thought it would happen. Now I know that anything is possible!

Congratulations to Alex Schepers for winning the *Sportsman of the Year* award, to Dusty Mosier for winning the *Club Shoot Out* and Don Llona for winning *Caller of the Year*. Great job you guys and gals!!

I would like to thank Mike Kannapel, Dan Solow, and Mike Burris for their time and expertise on the reloading presentation at our April general meeting. We had a great turn out! Thank you to all who attended.

The *SAVE-A-FAWN HUNT* is finally here!! It is finally going to be held on May 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>. This hunt was started to help with the deer and antelope fawn survival rate. Look for specific details elsewhere in this newsletter. We could not have this hunt any earlier in the year due to the snow and or the rain. People get stuck and the roads get torn up. It is beautiful up on the Rim this time of year, so get your camping gear

ready! You may also want to visit the *Loan Eagle Sporting Goods* in Heber, they are supporting our hunt. I hope to see you there.

The *Ranch Clean-up* is scheduled for June 11<sup>th</sup> at *Griffin Ranch*. We need lots of volunteers for this project. Feel free to bring your friends and family, for it is a huge place! The APC will provide lunch to all volunteers. I hope you can come!!

Don't forget, now is the time to check the hunting regulations, as they became available on May 2<sup>nd</sup> via the internet. Some rules applying to predators have changed. Big game drawings are in June, so check the dates and get your applications in. Good luck!

For this month's general meeting, our speaker will be Gary McGraw from *Modern Calls*. Come join us for Gary's terrific presentation as well as drinks, snacks, door prizes, and some very helpful information. I really hope to see you there! It should be very interesting.

A reminder that the APC is selling raffle tickets for a rifle and a Fox Pro Caller electronic caller. Don't miss out on this one! One possible event in June could be a club barbecue. Watch for more upcoming info. Don't forget to check our web site for information on upcoming events.

FYI--All are welcome to attend the APC Board meetings. We welcome your suggestions or ideas. Please contact any board member with your awesome ideas.

Thank you to all who have helped me through the first four months of my presidency. I am looking forward to seeing you all at the next meeting.

Ned

**COMING EVENTS**

May General Meeting . . . . . 12 May '05  
*Gary McGraw - Modern Call Products*  
 Save-A-Fawn Hunt . . . . 14 & 15 May '05  
 May Board Meeting . . . . . 30 May '05  
 Griffin Ranch Clean-up . . . . . 11 June '05  
 Boquillas Ranch Clean-up . . . 25 June '05

Monthly APC meetings are held at the Mesa FOP Hall, 1450 E. Main Street, Mesa, from 7:00 p.m. until ????. Board meetings are held at the Arizona Wildlife Federation office at 7:00 p.m.

**PROGRAM REPORT**

by *Mike Kannapel, Program Director*

This months meeting will be a presentation by Gary McGraw from *Modern Call Products*. Gary will talk about his calls, how they are used and many of the techniques he uses while calling predators.

The *Save-A-Fawn* hunt that has been previously re-scheduled TWO TIMES, has again been RE-re-scheduled, this time the dates are May 14 & 15. Look for an in depth article on the hunt elsewhere in this newsletter.

The meeting is on Thursday, May 12, 2005 at 7:00pm at the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #9 located at 1450 East Main Street. The FOP Lodge is on the north side of Main Street between Stapley and Gilbert Road in Mesa. 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 Mike Burris, APC Vice-President at (480) 654-1411 if you have any questions.

*Mike*



**TREASURERS REPORT**

by *Jerry Thorson, APC Treasurer*

This Treasurers report details all transactions from April 1, 2005 through April 30, 2005.

**CHECKING ACCOUNT**

<b>Beginning Balance</b> .....	<b>\$6,778.55</b>
Check #1405 Mike Clerc - Newsletter.....	(74.11)
Check #1406 Mike Burris - Shootout.....	(128.06)
Check #1407 Rio Salado - Shootout.....	(16.00)
Check #1408 SEAZ Sportsman Club.....	(100.00)
Check #1409 Pitney Bowes - Postage.....	(88.51)
Check #1410 Ace-In-The Hole.....	(160.00)
Check #1411 AWF - Memberships.....	(32.50)
Check #1412 Pee Wee Calls.....	(198.85)
Deposit (memberships & cash).....	139.00
Deposit (memberships).....	266.00
Deposit (memberships).....	30.00
<b>Ending Balance 4/30/05</b> .....	<b>\$6,574.67</b>

**PETTY CASH**

<b>Petty Cash Beginning Balance</b> .....	<b>71.73</b>
<b>Call sales</b> .....	<b>7.00</b>
<b>Merchandise</b> .....	<b>360.00</b>
<b>Dues</b> .....	<b>95.00</b>
<b>Rifle &amp; Caller Raffle</b> .....	<b>40.00</b>
<b>Admission &amp; Raffles</b> .....	<b>138.00</b>
<b>Deposit to Checking</b> .....	<b>(266.00)</b>
<b>Petty Cash Ending Balance</b> .....	<b>121.73</b>
<b>Total Cash 3/31/05</b> .....	<b>\$6,698.40</b>

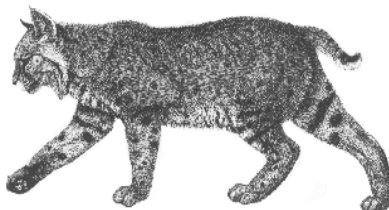
**INVENTORY**

Crit'r Call Standard.....	14.. @.....	\$9.00
Crit'r Call PeeWee.....	43.. @.....	\$9.00
Crit'r Call Reeds.....	16.. @.....	\$1.50
Crit'r Call Song Dog.....	1.. @.....	\$18.00
Tally-Ho.....	32.. @.....	\$8.00
Tally-Ho Reeds.....	22.. @.....	\$1.50
Tally-Ho Inserts.....	200.. @.....	\$0.25
T-Shirts.....	20.. @.....	\$12.00
WCCC T-Shirts LS.....	12.. @.....	\$8.00
WCCC T-Shirts SS.....	13.. @.....	\$6.00
APC Caps.....	7.. @.....	\$15.00
WCCC Caps.....	1.. @.....	\$5.00
Tail Strippers.....	0.. @.....	\$6.00
Tail Zippers.....	4.. @.....	\$6.00
Knife Sharpeners.....	9.. @.....	\$3.00
Decals.....	898.. @.....	\$1.00
<b>Total Inventory</b> .....		<b>\$2,515.00</b>
<b>Total Assets</b> .....		<b>\$9,211.40</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b> .....		<b>(\$0.00)</b>
<b>Net Worth</b> .....		<b>\$9,211.40</b>

**APC VIDEO LIBRARY**

The following individuals have videos checked out:  
 4/10/03 .Clyde.....Turkeys - Antley  
 4/10/03 .Clyde.....Turkeys - Fears  
 3/10/05 .Craig Combos..... The Predators  
 4/14/05 .Ralph Cortenas... Power Howling Coyotes  
 5/13/04 .Ken McKenna..... Whitetails II  
 8/12/04 .Scott Koch.. Power Howling Coyotes  
 8/12/04 .Scott Koch..... Black Bear

*Jerry*



**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

by *Mike Clerc, APC Membership*

I would like to welcome new members Dan Bramley, Thomas Blum and Andy Vann. I would also like to thank Dusty Mosier, Jack Simon, Bill Rice and Guido Roberti for renewing their memberships.

The following memberships have expired:

Name	Expires
Phil Hiddessen	01-May-05
Harvey Hunter	01-May-05
Mike Kannapel	01-May-05
Andres Perez	01-May-05
Dale Ruettinger	01-May-05
Stan Schepers	01-May-05
Jerry Thorson	01-May-05

The following members will expire soon:

Name	Expires
Ralph Cortinas	01-Jul-05
Scott Koch	01-Aug-05
Don Llona	01-Aug-05
LE Pulvermacher	01-Aug-05

If you've let your membership with our club expire, please contact us, we would love to have you back! If you have any questions regarding your existing membership, please give me a call at (480) 890-7801 or you can e-mail me at [membership@azpredatorcallers.com](mailto:membership@azpredatorcallers.com) any-time.

*Mike*

**THE HUNT REPORT**

by *Dusty Mosier, Hunts Co-Chair*

Well, the end of the season is here, only one last hunt to go before the long dry spell till August. I hope we have a big turn out for the *Save-a-Fawn* hunt the weekend of May 14 & 15, it should be a lot of fun.

The fall hunt information is out now so you can start dreaming about that trophy Mule Deer or Bull Elk. This year you have to pay all of your permit money up front, so maybe our chances will improve.

I would like to thank everyone who turned their hunt records, and also those who I talked to in person or over the phone. I have totaled up the harvest counts and the results

are printed elsewhere in the newsletter. To be eligible for the *Caller of the Year* you have to turn in a hunt record. Blank forms are available at the meeting, just see Stan Schepers or myself.

As you may or may not have heard, we have a ranch cleanup next month. We are working on the Griffin Ranch north of Globe, as of now we are meeting there at 0700, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of June. Further information will be sent out later and given out at the meeting. We would like to have as many people as possible show up to help.

As I stated at the beginning, our season is over except for coyotes, skunks, and lion. Time now to stock up on ammo, touch up the paint on your guns, and repair or replace anything that needs it. Also hit that "honey-do list" and get caught up or even get ahead before the fall. You might even get a jump on your vehicle maintenance and make sure everything is in top working order. Much like most of you that I talked to, I didn't get out as much as I wanted to this year. This damn working for a living sure gets in the way of my free time and hunting!

Be Safe, Have Fun, Shoot to Kill!!!!

*Dusty*

## SAVE-A-FAWN HUNT INFO

by Mike Burris, APC Vice-President

**The Save-A-Fawn Hunt originally scheduled for January 15 & 16, 2005, then postponed to February 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> and again postponed because of all this wonderful wet weather we've been getting. The NEW date for this hunt is May 14 & 15.**

The Arizona Deer Association in cooperation with the Arizona Predator Callers, the Arizona Elk Society, the Antelope Foundation with support from the Arizona Game & Fish Department would like to invite you and your organization to take part in our hunt.

This is a hunt with the purpose of helping the prey species and fawn recruitment in these units. Everyone that participates will receive a raffle ticket, you will also receive a raffle ticket for every predator checked in. We will have door prizes and a chance at \$50.00 drawings to help with the rising cost of gas. There will

be no entry fee for this hunt and dinner will be provided on Saturday and Sunday for all that take part. The Arizona Trappers Association will be on hand to skin any animals that get checked in. *Arizona Game & Fish* will be there to collect scientific data from the animals collected to establish age and population specifics.

We held an event this spring and with the success of that hunt we made the decision to make this an annual event. We can concentrate in these units to bring some much needed help to the prey species that live in this habitat. The following are the fawn to doe numbers from AG&F:

Unit 2A - 18 fawns to 100 does  
Unit 2B - 19 to 100  
Unit 2C - 5 to 100  
Unit 3C - 24 to 100  
Unit 3A - 16 to 100  
Unit 3B - I didn't get a count but it also needs help.  
Unit 4A - 21 to 100  
Unit 4B - 22 to 100

If you are interested in taking part in this event, please contact Mike Burris, Vice President of the *Arizona Predator Callers* at (480) 654-1411 or at [www.AZPredatorcallers.com](http://www.AZPredatorcallers.com).

Meet at the same location that we used for our May 2004 hunt. The directions are: Hiway 260, 8 miles south of Heber, turn north at mile post 301 on Forest Service Trail 210. Go north 2.3 miles to our camp. There will be APC signs at the turnoff and at camp.

We look forward to seeing you there!

*Mike*

## GRIFFIN RANCH CLEAN-UP

by Mike Burris, APC Vice-President

This year, the APC, as part of the AzG&F Department's *Adopt-A-Ranch* program, will make a trip out to the Griffin Ranch just north of Globe, AZ. The APC has participated in this program for more than five years now. We will continue to show our support for this program by going out to the ranch and cleaning the main access road that goes through the ranch. The purpose of this program is two parts:

- First we maintain the sometimes strained relationship between the ranching and sporting communities by demonstrating not all sportsmen our slobs & we pick

up after ourselves.

- Second we give back to the environment. So many people say sportsmen are the main conservationists and think that by making a cash donation they are conservationists.

The truth is, money is easy. Writing a check is simple and doesn't take any real effort. The *Adopt-A-Ranch Program* is a simple and effective way to have a significant impact on the environment by removing trash from a high use area. But, it requires **YOU** taking the time to help us in this endeavor.

Now for the good news, this is only a ½ day activity. Your afternoon is totally free. The APC will furnish all the trash bags, equipment, drinks, and a hot lunch. Please join us if you can, and help make a difference!!

*Mike*

## BOQUILLAS RANCH CLEANUP

by Don Martin - Member

The 14<sup>th</sup> annual Boquillas Ranch Clean-up has been set for Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. Times are from 8:00am until 5:00pm.

Each year the *Mohave Sportsman Club*, in conjunction with the *Arizona Game & Fish Department*, holds a one-day clean up event on the *Boquillas Ranch*. In exchange for the clean up effort, the *Navajo Nation*, which owns the sprawling 730,000 acre ranch in Unit 10, allows ALL recreational users access on the ranch for another year.

Whether you're a hunter, hiker, 4X4 enthusiasts, bird watcher or just like to get away from the hustle and bustle and camp, this is the way to ensure you have a place to go recreate.

Participants will meet at *Pica Camp*, receive a briefing from Tim Pender, the wildlife manager for the unit, then grab some plastic bags and head off.

After spending the day in the field, bring your trash back to *Pica Camp* where the *Arizona Game & Fish Department* has made arrangements for it to be picked up.

To get to *Pica Camp* from Kingman, take Highway 66 to mile post 123, turn left (north) and go two miles. You'll see all of us there!

For those who don't know, there is a season this year on prairie dogs. The bad news is the season is closed during this time. However, coyotes are still in season and you are encouraged to take any you see. The antelope and deer will have dropped their fawns in

Unit 10 at that time, so taking a coyote then could save a fawn, and they need the help!

For more information on the clean up, or if you need a ride for the day, contact Don Martin at (928) 753-4867.

## PRAIRIE DOG LINGUISTICS

from the Arizona Wildlife Federation

A special presentation of *Prairie Dog Linguistics* at the Arizona Wildlife Federation's 82<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting, Saturday, June 4, 2005.

Meeting location is the *Fiesta Inn*, 2100 S. Priest Drive, Tempe, AZ, 11:30am, in Galleria "C".

"Did You Know They Talk - And They Are Talking About Us?" Presented by Dr. Con Slobodchikoff of Northern Arizona University.

Gunnison's prairie dogs are social and colonial animals with a surprising repertoire of sounds. Could they know more about us than we suspect? If so, what insights do they have? Learn more at this special presentation, and help AWF honor the 2005 recipients of its *McCullough, Lifetime Achievement, and Conservation Organization of the Year Awards*.

The cost for the buffet luncheon and special presentation is \$25.00 per person. To register for the luncheon, contact AWF at 480-644-0077, or complete a registration form for the *AWF Annual Meeting* luncheon, which can be downloaded at <http://www.azwildlife.org/convention.htm>.

Please indicate on the registration form if you also plan to attend the business meeting as well as the luncheon.

## IMPORTANT CHANGES TO THE 2005 BIG GAME DRAWING

from the Az Game and Fish Department

**Important changes that you need to know for the fall 2005 big game draw.**

The hunt regulations are now available for downloading from [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).

Applying for a hunt permit-tag in this fall's draw? Significant changes have been made to the process this year that you'll need to be aware of: The online application process has been suspended. For the fall 2005 draw, a manual system with paper applications is the only way to apply.

To apply:

fill out a paper application, include a check, cashier's check or money order payable to the Arizona Game and Fish Department for all applicable license, hunt permit-tag and application fees mail or deliver to any department office by 7:00pm (MST), June 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Note:** *The department must receive completed paper applications by the deadline; postmarks don't count.*

**Inside tip:** *On deadline day all Arizona Game and Fish offices will be filled with people who waited until the last minute. Save time: apply early. If you apply by May 27, the department will review your application and attempt to contact you if any errors are found.*

Pick up the new regulations and hunt draw permit applications at department offices, at license dealers or download them from the department's web site. Regulations and applications are now available for downloading from [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov). Printed paper copies will be available at all department offices and license dealers around May 20<sup>th</sup>. The new applications are yellow. Applications downloaded from the department's web site are also valid, even though they are not yellow. Throw away your old white applications - they don't reflect the new process changes for this year's draw.

All applicants must buy a hunting license. In the past, applicants could ask that a license be issued only if they were drawn. This year, all applicants must have a hunting license to be eligible for the draw. Hunters who don't already have a license can apply for one on the hunt permit application form. If you choose to apply for a license at the time of application, you must include the license fee with each application you make. However, only one license will be issued and the other license fees will be refunded.

Buying a license to enter the draw? For twice the fun, buy a combination hunting-fishing license. Take advantage of Arizona's wettest winter in a decade - fish Arizona!

Hunt permit-tag fees must be paid up front. All application fees, hunt permit-tag fees, and license fees (if applying for a license at time of application) must be included with the application. Hunt permit-tag fees will be refunded if the applicant is unsuccessful in the draw. A bonus

point may be purchased for the cost of the license (if needed) and for the application fee only, instead of paying the entire tag fee.

A loyalty bonus point has been created. A single loyalty bonus point will be awarded for people who buy a license and apply for big game hunts for five consecutive years. The point is genus specific and will be retained as long as the hunter continues to apply each calendar year for that genus. The starting year for record keeping purposes is 2001. So, anyone who applies for a genus, and has applied for that same genus every year beginning in 2001, will earn a loyalty bonus point for that genus in this drawing. A proposed conservation bonus point that hunters can earn for volunteer effort is in the rulemaking process and will not be in place for the fall 2005 draw.

The bonus point pass percentage is higher. The bonus point pass percentage has increased from 10 to 20 percent, meaning that 20 percent of tags will be set aside for applicants with the highest number of bonus points.

A set-aside percentage of bighorn sheep hunt permits for nonresidents has been created. Fifteen percent of the total available bighorn sheep hunt permit-tags in any calendar year will be set aside for nonresidents.

Eager to hear draw results? By July 29, customers will be able to get draw results through [azgfd.gov](http://azgfd.gov) and by telephone at (602) 942-3000. Permits will be mailed to successful applicants in late July.

Key dates for the fall 2005 draw:

**May 2** - Regulations and applications available online at [azgfd.gov](http://azgfd.gov) (in downloadable pdf format). Department begins accepting applications.

**May 20** - Anticipated date that printed regulations and applications will be available at department offices and all license dealers.

**May 27** - 5:00pm (MST) - Deadline for department to receive applications and attempt to contact applicant if errors are found.

**June 14** - 7:00pm (MST) - Deadline day. All applications must be in department possession. **Postmarks don't count.**

**July 29** - Anticipated date for posting draw results and hunt permit-tags are mailed.

**August 5** - Anticipated date for

mailing licenses applicants applied for at time of application.

**August 8** - First-come applications (paper applications only) accepted by U.S. Mail only for any leftover permits not issued in the first draw.

**August 12** - Anticipated date refunds will be mailed to unsuccessful applicants in the first draw.

## APC CLASSIFIEDS

Individual classified ads are listed free in the Varmints Voice to all APC members. For commercial ads, please contact the newsletter editor.

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Dennis Kirk electronic wildlife caller. this is a tape player, excellent condition, \$75.00. Contact Dan @ (480) 883-7148.

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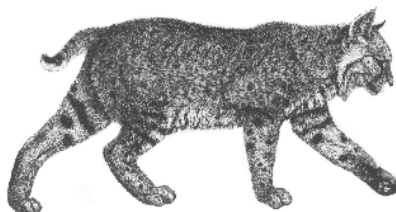
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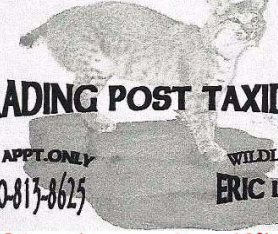
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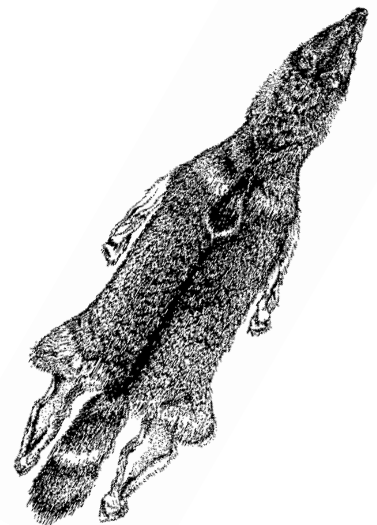
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## HUNTER SAFETY

by Wiley Coyote - Reporter at Large

information provided by the Arizona Game & Fish Department

We too often hear, especially in the national media, about how dangerous firearms are, and how they should be removed from the hands of people *because* they are so dangerous. Well, as much as the media and certain political parties would like for us to believe that, the **facts** just don't support that fear mongering.

Nationally, thanks largely in part to the *National Rifle Association*, firearms accidents are very much on the decline. And here in the state of Arizona, we have probably lowest incidents of firearms accidents (related to hunting) than anywhere in the country. And this is all because of the efforts of the *Arizona Game & Fish Department*. Arizona arguably has one of the best, if not the best, *Hunter Safety* programs in the country. We are indeed fortunate to have such a well organized and administered safety programs available to us, but what's sad is that more people don't take advantage of it. Most of us are eager to have our youngsters attend the classes before they start hunting big-game, but a significant segment of the adults who already hunt never see the inside of those classrooms. Having said that, we still enjoy a significantly lower number of hunting related accidents than the national figure, something we can be very proud of.

Below, are statistics provided by the *National Safety Council* concerning accidents of all types, and includes the figures for hunting nationally and hunting here in Arizona. These statistics on injuries are per 100,000 participants:

Football .....	3,313.48
Baseball .....	1,391.78
Cycling .....	1,189.63
Volleyball.....	622.89
Swimming .....	194.45
Golf .....	485.59
Tennis .....	179.43
Fishing .....	173.18
Bowling .....	57.32
Badminton.....	30.76
Billiards .....	19.91
Ping Pong .....	15.32
<b>Hunting .....</b>	<b>7.06</b>
<b>Arizona Hunting .....</b>	<b>1.50</b>

Statewide, the *Arizona Game & Fish Department* typically holds somewhere in the neighborhood of 120 to 180 classes annually. That number of classes generate approximately 4,500 to 5,000 participants annually. While that seems like a significant number of participants, there is still room for improvement, especially since the vast majority of those who actively participate are youth. There aren't nearly as many adults attending these classes. I suppose that like most adults, the primary reason for *not* attending these classes is because they mistakenly believe that *because* they are adults, and *because* they have more years of experience than the youth, they think they have it all down pat. Nothing could be further from the truth, and if you doubt that, the next time you are out at you local shooting range, just sit back and watch how those "experienced" adults handle their firearms. It's a frightening experience, *and that is under tightly controlled supervision!!!*

I have two sons who are of the age to be able to attend the *Hunter Safety* courses offered here in Arizona, and with both of them, I attended the classes with them, from start to finish. Prior to them going to the classes, I had already attended probably 5 or 6 various other firearm or hunter safety courses over the years, and like most adults, I though I already knew it all. When I attended the first class with my eldest son Christopher, I was a little cocky, figuring that if nothing else, I could get a little sleep while he (Christopher) was *learning* something. *Nothing* could have been further from the truth! Not only did "I" learn a few things that I actually had wrong impressions of previous, something more important happened. . . I realized that as cocky as I was, and as much as I thought I knew about this firearms/hunter "safety" thing, I still had room for growth. I attended two classes with Christopher (I wanted to make sure *he* got it right), and I have since attended two more classes with my youngest son Cameron.

It has been two years since Cameron graduated from his class, and this year both of my sons and I will be going through the classes again in the fall. There is always room for improvement, and besides being an excellent way to spend some valuable time with your kids, you all get to learn something that just might someday save your life.

## PREDATOR HUNTING TIPS

by Wiley Coyote - Reporter at Large

Most predators will take the path of least resistance, or take the quickest route, to approach the calling sound. The shortest distance between two points is a straight line, but not always the route a predator will take when coming to your selected spot. Choose your stands to take advantage of this characteristic by setting up to call at the intersections of trails, pipelines, power or phone line right of ways, logging roads, or senderos. This will allow you to see more than one approach route the animals might choose to run on.

Use the predator's nose to his *dis-advantage*. Many older, wiser canines will circle downwind to smell what's happening before he sees what he is hearing. If at all possible, use a natural opening, road or field to expose a predator determined to get downwind. Sometimes they will choose not to expose themselves in the attempt to get downwind, but approach along a hedgerow, fence line or coverage to get as close as possible without being detected.

Switching sounds during a stand can sometimes entice a reluctant dog to continue his approach. Realistic combinations of sounds can evoke territorial behavior from a dog not necessarily bent on getting a meal, but determined to not let a competitor intrude on his stomping grounds. Combining the sounds of fox or coyotes with food source sound can be a winning combination to lure a hesitant dog in.

One of the most important facets of successful calling is having a good knowledge of the area you are calling in. In your search for coyote sign, look for the freshness of tracks and droppings. A set of straight line tracks may tell you that the dog may be far from the area. Meandering tracks may indicate a coyote searching for food and that possibly he has not moved as far away as a coyote moving through the area with a destination in mind.

Calling can be far more productive by scouting the area in the pre-dawn hours, stopping to howl occasionally. When a coyote is located by his howling or barking response, mark the spot on a map and return at sun-up to call within one half mile of that spot.

Placing a hunting partner in the downwind position out of shotgun range can be an effective way to get those "call smart" dogs that circle but don't approach.

# ARIZONA PREDATOR CALLERS

## Membership Harvest Tally for the 2004-2005 Season

Hunt Unit	Species	Qty - Sex	Total	Comments
1	Coyote Bobcat	1-M, 1-F, 3-? 1-F	5 Coyotes 1 Bobcat	
2A	Coyote	2-M, 3-F	5 Coyotes	
3B	Coyote	1-M	1 Coyote	
3C	Gray Fox	1-F	1 Gray Fox	
4A	Coyote Bobcat	1-M, 1-F 1-F	2 Coyotes 1 Bobcat	35 lbs.
5B	Coyote	1-F	1 Coyote	
8	Coyote Gray Fox	2-M, 6-? 2-M	8 Coyotes 2 Gray Fox	
9	Coyote	15-?	15 Coyotes	
10	Coyote Bobcat	1-F, 15-? 1-M, 3-?	16 Coyotes 4 Bobcats	
12A - West	Gray Fox Bobcat Lion	2-? 3-M, 2-F 1-M	2 Gray Fox 5 Bobcats 1 Lion	
12B	Coyote	1-M, 3-F	4 Coyotes	
15A	Coyote	1-M	1 Coyote	
16A	Coyote	3-?	3 Coyotes	
17B	Coyote Gray Fox	3-M, 1-F 1-M	4 Coyotes 1 Gray Fox	
18A	Coyote	2-M, 16-?	18 Coyotes	
18B	Coyote Gray Fox Bobcat	1-M, 4-F, 8-? 1-? 3-?	13 Coyotes 1 Gray Fox 3 Bobcats	
19A	Coyote	4-M	4 Coyotes	
20B	Gray Fox Kit Fox	2-F, 1-? 1-?	3 Gray Fox 1 Kit Fox	
20C	Coyote	2-M, 3-F, 2-?	7 Coyotes	
21	Coyote	2-M, 1-F	3 Coyotes	
22	Coyote Gray Fox	21-M, 12-F 1-?	33 Coyotes 1 Gray Fox	
23	Coyote Gray Fox	5-M, 1-F, 3-? 1-M, 2-F, 30-?	9 Coyotes 33 Gray Fox	
24A	Coyote Gray Fox	1-M, 3-F 2-M, 3-?	4 Coyotes 5 Gray Fox	
24B	Bobcat	1-F	1 Bobcat	
27	Coyote Gray Fox	1-F 2-?	1 Coyote 2 Gray Fox	
28	Coyote	6-?	6 Coyotes	
29	Coyote Bobcat	2-M, 1-F 1-M	3 Coyotes 1 Bobcat	
30A	Coyote	3-?	3 Coyotes	
32	Coyote	1-?	1 Coyote	
36C	Coyote	1-M	1 Coyote	
37A	Coyote	4-M, 5-F, 7-?	16 Coyotes	
37B	Coyote Bobcat	2-M, 1-F 2-M	3 Coyotes 2 Bobcat	
37M	Coyote	1-M, 1-F	2 Coyotes	
39	Coyote Gray Fox Bobcat	10-M, 10-F, 10-? 2-F 1-M	30 Coyotes 2 Gray Fox 1 Bobcat	2-F, with mange
39M	Coyote Gray Fox Bobcat	7-M, 6-F, 4-? 2-F 1-F	17 Coyotes 2 Gray Fox 1 Bobcat	
40A	Coyote	1-F	1 Coyote	
41	Coyote	1-M, 1-F	2 Coyotes	
42M	Coyote	1-M, 4-F, 17-?	22 Coyotes	
43	Coyote	1-M, 4-F	5 Coyotes	1-F w/mange, 2-F in heat (13 Feb.)
"Somewhere in AZ"	Coyote	2-M, 3-F, 4-?	9 Coyotes	

**TOTALS**    278 Coyotes  
                   55 Gray Fox  
                   1 Kit Fox  
                   20 Bobcats  
                   1 Lion

Primary Annual Membership \$30.00  
Family Membership add \$5.00 (\$35.00 total)  
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