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## The President's Message

by Rich Higgins, APC President



I am delighted to announce that **Gary Clevenger** will be the featured speaker at the November 8 meeting of Arizona Predator Callers.

Gary is a member of two California predator clubs and two Arizona clubs. He is a very successful caller and has won the Ironman Competition with the PCOC among other events. Gary has a PhD in chemistry and he brings that scientific mindset to bear on subjects that interest him. The titles of his seminars reflect this. Thursday night he will speak on several subjects including:

**“Close Cover Shotgun Tactics Within the Red Zone”**

**“Anticipating the One Second Encounter”**

**“A Quick Review of 2000 Mathematical Analyses of Prey Distress Cadences and How to Mimic Them With a Handcall”**

**“Using Electronic Sights on a Shotgun”**

This is a “must see” event. Tell your friends and neighbors... all are welcome.

Thank you to all who participated in the October Novice Hunt. Four animals were turned in at the check-in. I do not know what the novice's expectations of success were but we will cover that subject at the November meeting. I will again pair novices that sign up for the Saturday hunt with an experienced caller.

The doors will open at 6:30 and the meeting will begin promptly at 7:00.

I hope to see all of you there.

Call'em close, *Rich*

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### Coming Events

APC Meeting.....November 8, 2012  
Novice Hunt.....November 10, 2012  
APC Board Mtg...November 26, 2012

Monthly APC meetings are held at the Mesa FOP Hall, 1450 E. Main Street, Mesa, from 7:00 pm until ??



## Membership Report

Thanks to the following members for renewing their APC memberships:

**Bill Rice, Alfred Suscavage, Jared Tomkinson**

We want to welcome the following new members to APC:

**Steve Miller and Ron Buchner, both from San Tan Valley, and**

The following members will be expiring in soon, if not renewed:

**October:** Skip Bargman, Joe Cottrel, Steve Carter, Jeffrey Ross and Gary Schvaneveldt  
**November:** Stepen Brinklehy, John Clemens, Cory Johnson, Skylar Larson, Darrell Miller, Craig Barnett, Larry Eichman, Scott Fribbs, Steve Halvorsen and Larry Walden

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

**Philip Bidegain, Kyle Carter, Sid Chalasani, Alex Johnson, Paul Melching, Bob Welch**

*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.*

### APC Video Library

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

- 9/13/12 Mike Hanna.....Alone in the Wilderness
- 8/9/12 Michael Munroe.....Coyote Behavior
- 9/13/12 Ken Eaton.....Coyote Rage-Free Grass
- 8/9/12 Jim Petersen.....Coyote vs. 55 grains
- 8/9/12 Jim Hawkins.....Hunting the Night Shift
- 9/13/12 Craig Barnett..Power Howling Coyotes
- 9/13/12 Jim Petersen..Prescription for Success
- 9/13/12 Dave Warren.....21 Days

Thanks *Jerry*

## November Meeting Program

### “Sights and Sounds of Predator Calling”

APC is proud to present **Gary Clevenger** as our November guest speakers. Gary will speak on Sights and Sounds of Predator Calling and give us first hand knowledge of coyote hunting experience. This presentation is not to be missed.

The Arizona Predator Callers meeting is on **Thursday, November 8, 2012 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.**

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  
**Beginning Balance 10-1-12..\$4,049.51**

Check 1822 Pinnacle Peak Ace  
 Hardware.....(\$424.91)  
 DC Novice Hunt food.....(\$17.15)  
 DC Novice Hunt food.....(\$108.58)

Deposit - memberships.....\$495.00  
 Deposit - memberships.....\$30.00

**10/31/12 end balance.....\$4,023.87**

Petty Cash Beginning Balance...\$102.31  
 Call Sales.....\$0.00  
 Merchandise.....\$0.30  
 Dues Received.....\$0.00  
 Raffles Received.....\$465.00  
 Deposit to Checking.....(\$465.00)  
 Petty Cash Ending Balance.....\$102.61

**Total cash.....\$4,126.48**

**Total Inventory of Goods.....\$1,832.75**

**Total Assets.....\$5,959.23**



### Sportsmen's Legislative Summit

In preparation for the 2013 Arizona State Legislative session the Arizona Wildlife Federation would like to invite you to attend a Sportsmen's Legislative Summit on Saturday, December 1, 2012 from 9-11 AM at the AZGFD Headquarters, Caracara Room at 5000 W. Carefree Highway (enter through the rear employee entrance).

The Purpose of this event is to hear from the AZGFD Legislative Liaisons regarding proposed legislation from the Department and to discuss legislative issues amongst the sportsmen community before the session starts. This event will also serve to introduce the new AWF Legislative Liaison **Sarah Luna** to the sportsment community and to open the lines of communication between our organizations.

We will provide coffee, water and light refreshments; all we ask is an RSVP so we can plan accordingly. RSVP to: awf@azwildlife.org or call 480-644-0077.

Sincerely,  
 Tom Mackin, President, AWF



# Hunt Report

by Dusty Mosier, Hunt Chairman



My daughter and I had a 4A/B any antlered deer hunt this past weekend and it was a lot of fun, even though we never saw a deer. We did however, see lots of elk, and I called in a coyote (which left faster than it arrived). The weather was beautiful, clear, cold, and extremely dry. I always have a great time when I hunt with my kids.

Our novice hunt this month will be on Saturday, November 10th. We will assign teams at the meeting on Thursday, November 8th.

As for what to expect as a novice. Your experienced caller will probably not take you to any of his "honey holes", but will show you what to look for when selecting an area. If you have some spots that you have hunted before, go there and let your guide show you how to call it. Remember that your experienced caller is taking the time to help you become a better predator hunter. So listen to his suggestions, it may shorten your learning curve. This should help you to be more successful sooner.

Predator hunting is challenging, as you are hunting hunters. Don't expect to shoot dozens of animals, it is still hunting and even the most experienced callers can strike out. There are some days when you can do no wrong, then there are days when nothing works.

Be prepared for a long day, you will probably start long before sunrise and go until late in the evening. Your experienced caller will let you know what you need, but here is a suggested list: 2012 hunting license and lion tag (as you never know when one will show up). Your predator rifle or what ever rifle you shoot the best, and make sure it

doesn't shine, either paint it or wrap it with camouflage tape. A shotgun with a tight choke (full or turkey), camouflaged as well. I am not going to get into calibers or shot size, their is too much to talk about there.

Firearm safety is critical, you will be getting in and out of a vehicle all day with loaded firearms. Know your weapons, be able to operate them by feel, practice loading and unloading with dummy ammo or snapcaps. Know where the safety is and how to operate it without looking. We do not want any "accidents", shooting your guides truck or worse would spoil the whole day!

Pack a lunch, snacks and whatever drinks you might need (save the alcohol for the check-in). You may travel a long ways and there may not be any stores near by, so have everything that you need for the whole day. Make sure that you bring along any medication that you need.

Wear camouflage, including gloves and a face mask. Try not to have any strong odors on you or your clothing, if you smoke plan on taking a day off, as your guide probably will not let you

smoke at all that day.

Be prepared to share in the cost for fuel. As I stated before, it will be a long day with a lot of information. Your guide is taking the time to help you be more successful, so be respectful of his advice and listen. After dark we will meet at the check-in and have some hamburgers and hotdogs. We will demonstrate skinning and how to prepare the fur for sale or mounting.

A map of where the check-in will be for our November 10th Novice Hunt is provided on page 10 of this newsletter.

Even if you are not a Novice, please attend this event. Our novices want to see how the rest of us do at calling. Also, we will need a few coyotes for the skinning demo.

If you are an experienced hunter and are willing to take out a novice, please let me know or let President Rich Higgins know so we can pair you up with a novice for this event.

Be Safe, Have Fun, Shoot to Kill !

*Dusty*

## Hunt and Events Calender

General Meeting.....	November 8, 2012
Novice Hunt #2.....	November 10, 2012
APC Board Meeting.....	November 26, 2012
World Coyote Championship.....	December 1-2, 2012
General Meeting.....	December 13, 2012
General Meeting.....	January 10, 2013
Multi Club Hunt.....	January 26, 2013
APC Board Meeting.....	January 28, 2013
Novice Boot Camp.....	February TBD
Save A Fawn Hunt.....	March 30, 2013

More to come.

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.

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### Arizona Game and Fish to hold public meetings on proposed license simplification legislation

Oct. 19, 2012

PHOENIX - The Arizona Game and Fish Department will host a series of public meetings statewide in November to discuss proposed legislation to allow the Arizona Game and Fish Commission to establish hunting and fishing license structure directly through a streamlined, customer-focused process.

The proposal would provide the commission more flexibility to change the license structure and license products to be responsive to customer needs and changing conditions.

“Potential benefits include establishment of a simpler, easier-to-understand license structure, better license products offering more value, and a more streamlined process allowing direct customer input opportunities,” said Assistant Director Ty Gray. “The public meetings will explain the proposal and offer the opportunity for questions and feedback,”

Gray explained that under the current process, the commission must seek legislative approval (passage of a bill) each time it wants to revise the hunting and fishing license structure, and then the revised structure has to go through an administrative rulemaking.

“The combination of the two is complex and time consuming, sometimes taking three years or more for implementation,” he said.

While retaining legislative oversight, the proposed legislation would allow the commission to establish a license structure directly through a rulemaking process.

The Arizona Game and Fish Department doesn't receive general fund (Arizona tax) revenues to operate, and like a business, it operates primarily with the revenue it generates-mostly from the sale of hunting and fishing licenses, federal excise taxes on certain hunting and fishing equipment, and a few other sources such as the Heritage Fund (a portion of Arizona Lottery ticket sales).

“For an agency to run like a business, it must have the ability to operate in the marketplace and respond to customer needs and changing conditions in a timely manner, as a business would,” said Gray. “This proposal would help us better do that.”

The public meetings will be held from 6-8 p.m. on the following dates:

- Monday, Nov. 5, Tucson, Arizona Game and Fish Department Tucson regional office, 555 N. Greasewood Road.
- Wednesday, Nov. 7, Flagstaff, Arizona Game and Fish Department Flagstaff regional office, 3500 S. Lake Mary Road.
- Thursday, Nov. 8, Pinetop, Arizona Game and Fish Department Pinetop regional office, 2878 E. White Mountain Blvd.
- Tuesday, Nov. 13, Yuma, Booth Machinery, 6565 E. 30th St.
- Wednesday, Nov. 14, Kingman, Arizona Game and Fish Department Kingman regional office, 5325 N. Stockton Hill Road.
- Thursday, Nov. 15, Prescott, Yavapai County Board of Supervisors office, 1015 Fair St.
- Monday, Nov. 19, Phoenix, Arizona Game and Fish Department headquarters, 5000 W. Carefree Highway (also

webcast at · [www.azgfd.gov/webcast](http://www.azgfd.gov/webcast)).

For more information, visit [www.azgfd.gov/LicenseSimplification](http://www.azgfd.gov/LicenseSimplification).

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# Novice Hunt #1

All names read left to right.

## October 13, 2012



**Jered Tompkinson holds the fine coyote that Gary Thompson and he harvested.**



**Ken Eaton showed the ropes to Jim and Bryan Petersen**



**Craig Barnett and Hank Scutoski teamed up for the first Novice Hunt.**



**Tammy, Lonna and Eric Ahlstrom hunted the day with Jerry Thorson**



**Michael and Kellin Munroe spent the day calling with John Albin**



**John Arterburn** holds the coyote that **Rich Higgins** called in. Two were called in, but only one was harvested.



**Kyle Gombos** hunted the day with his father **Craig Gombos**



**Patti Wooldridge** hunted with pro **Dave Warren**



**Dave Ramsay, Jim O'Dell and Cameron Pinta** harvested this fine **Gray Fox**.

# Novice Hunt #1



**John Arterburn** demonstrates the fine art of skinning to a host of enthralled new callers.



The first Novice Hunt of the year had a great turnout. Nine teams showed up at the check-in site along with several members who did not get the chance to hunt. A great time was had by all.

If you are new to the Arizona Predator Callers and missed this opportunity to be teamed with a pro, the next hunt is scheduled for November 10th. Contact President Rich Higgins to get on the list.



# Drawing Winners at our October 2012 Meeting



Our first ever “**Bucket Raffle**” was held at our October 11th APC Meeting. Five different prizes were awarded.

APC intends to offer these same types of raffles at all of our upcoming meetings. Our next rifle raffle, which will be drawn at the November meeting will be in .243 caliber.



**Ryan Anderson** (holding the blue certificate) won the \$200 Gift Certificate to **AJI Sporting Goods** that was drawn at the September meeting.

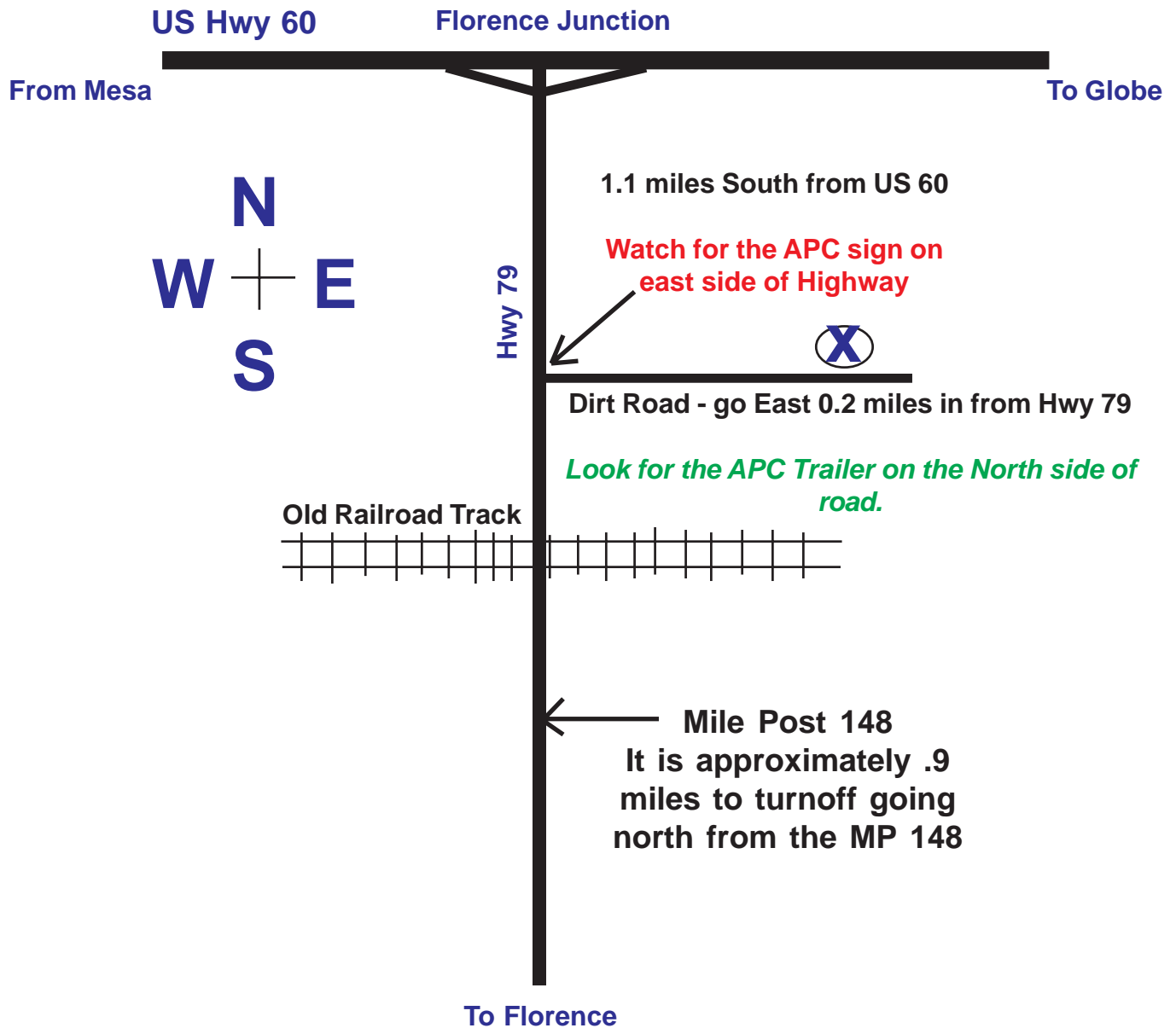
**Kyle Gombos** draws the winning tickets assisted by **Jerry Thorson**



**Kellin Munroe** stands with his father **Michael** who won our first rifle raffle of the year. Presented by APC President, **Rich Higgins**.



# Novice Hunt Check-In Map



**Check-in will be from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.**

A dinner will be provided for all participants. Bring your appetite, even if you don't have any critters to check in.

A skinning demonstration will be held for our novice members and the skinning racks will be set up at the trailer for you to skin out your own harvests.

## Arizona Predator Callers - Membership Application

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

### Additional Family Members

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

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