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## From The Editor

by John Albin

Dates have been announced for the 2014 World Coyote Calling Championship. December 11 - 13, 2014 in Williams Arizona. APC will be the sponsoring club for this event. See more on page 3.

The APC website is up and running. **Jim O'Dell**, webmaster, is doing a great job in keeping the website current. Be sure to take a look at it by going to: [www.azpredatorcallers.com](http://www.azpredatorcallers.com). Jim can be reached by email at: [apc@azpredatorcallers.com](mailto:apc@azpredatorcallers.com) to submit articles or pictures for posting on the website.

One article on our website is concerning an **Oregon Coyote Killing Contest**. Animal rights activists have successfully shut down the Oregon event. This type of anti-hunting is sure to affect Arizona contests like the one planned in December. Please keep an eye on legislation pertinent to our hunting interests.

Our September meeting is going to be a good one. One of our speakers for this Thursday's meeting will be **Debbie Arnold**, a certified NRA instructor and member of

**AZ Womens Shooting Association**. Debbie will speak about women becoming active in the shooting sports. Bring your wives and share the fun with the family.

**April Howard, the AZG&F fur and predator biologist** will also speak about sportsmens issues and answer all of your questions.

Both Jim O'Dell and I are always looking for photos and articles from our members to post on the website and in the Predator's Pride newsletter. We need your input and participation to keep these forms of communication interesting and timely to our membership. Please assist us by sending your thoughts, suggestions and photos and articles to us. We want to hear about your hunting experiences. You don't have to be a novelist to write a story about your hunt. Just get it to Jim and I and we'll take care of the punctuation and spelling.

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### Coming Events

APC Meeting .....Sept. 11, 2014  
APC Board Meeting...Sept. 29, 2014  
Monthly APC meetings are held at the  
Mesa FOP Hall, 1450 E. Main Street, Mesa,  
from 7:00 pm until 9:00 pm

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## September Meeting Program “Debbie Arnold & April Howard”

### Membership Report

**We welcome New members:**

Shad Archibald of Mesa and Michael DiPede of Gilbert

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

Eric Ahistrom, Bill Hudzietz, Don Martin, Mark Miller and Cameron Pinta

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

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

**Expiring Soon:**

Ken Bird, Sid Chalasani, Robert Elliott Jr., Chuck Flewelling, Jim Hawkins, Paul Melching, Michael Munroe, Bill Rice, Hank Scutoski, Dennis Slade, AJ Suscavage, and Ken Waddill

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The Arizona Predator Callers meeting is on **Thursday, August 14, 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.

### Treasurer's Report

Checking Account Balance	
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	
08-01-14.....	\$5,829.22
Check #1858...John Harry, refreshments .....	(\$40.70)
Jeff's Gun Vault.....	(\$157.00)
Regional Excess Underw.....	(\$1,216.00)
Rocky Mountail Wild.....	(\$218.55)
Jim O'Dell.....	(\$154.18)
Deposit - memberships.....	\$585.00
<b>08/30/14 end balance.....</b>	<b>\$4,627.79</b>
Petty Cash Beginning Balance...	\$110.61
Call Sales.....	\$0.00
Merchandise.....	\$0.00
Dues Received.....	\$455.00
Raffles Received.....	\$92.00
Deposit to Checking.....	(\$550.00)
<b>Petty Cash Ending Balance....</b>	<b>\$107.61</b>
<b>Total cash.....</b>	<b>\$4,735.40</b>
<b>Total Inventory of Goods.....</b>	<b>\$1,402.75</b>
<b>Total Assets.....</b>	<b>\$6,138.15</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
- 3/13/14 Jerry Snodgrass.....Coyote Behavior
- 3/13/14 Charlie Innacone...Crazy Like A Coyote
- 3/13/14 Charlie Innacone.....Operation Predator

Thanks *Jerry*

**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.**



# Hunt Report

by Dusty Mosier, Hunt Chairman



Well the summer is winding down, and fall is in the air, at least it is up north. Antelope and archery elk seasons are almost here so it won't be long now. I've finished most of my summer "honey do" projects and now I'm preparing for the hunts.

In previous newsletters I have listed some of the items that I carry all season in my truck, almost time to load up again. Some day in the next few weeks I will head out to the range and check the zero on many of my rifles. It's always a good idea to put a few rounds through paper just to make sure.

Our novice hunts this fall will be on 11 Oct. and 15 Nov. If you are interested in attending please see Rich or myself during the meeting. We will need some of you more experienced club members to help out as well.

Please remember to keep up on your hunt reports as I will be asking for them next April.

Be Safe, Have Fun,  
Shoot to Kill !!

*Dusty*

# Hunt and Events Calender

APC General Meeting.....	September 11, 2014
APC Board Meeting.....	September 29, 2014
Denny's at 1368 N. Cooper Rd., Gilbert, AZ	
APC General Meeting.....	October 9, 2014
<b>Novice Hunt #1.....</b>	<b>October 11, 2014</b>
APC Board Meeting.....	October 27, 2014
APC General Meeting.....	November 13, 2014
<b>Novice Hunt #2.....</b>	<b>November 15, 2014</b>
APC Board Meeting.....	November 24, 2014
APC General Meeting.....	December 11, 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.

## 2014 World Championship Coyote Calling Contest

Allen Morris

September 5 at 4:04pm .

World Championship Coyote Calling Contest is DECEMBER 11-13 in Williams AZ.....send your \$250.00 dollars to APC PO BOX 1172 MESA, AZ 85211

That is the entry fee and the price to become the next World Champion.....Good luck and see you there...Thanks for donating Im winning my fourth this year.....

## September Firearm Raffle

*This months firearm will be a Taurus Judge revolver in .45LC/.410*

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



## Non-lead ammo program continues in 2014 for fall big game hunts in condor range

*Game and Fish asks hunters to continue their voluntary lead reduction efforts this fall*

The Arizona Game and Fish Department wants to reassure hunters drawn for hunts in the California condor's core range (GMU 12 A/B and 13 A/B) that the department's non-lead ammunition program will continue in 2014.

In past years, the coupon for free non-lead ammunition was mailed with the hunt tag. However, this year, the department has been working to expand its network of retailers that will accept the coupon to better accommodate hunters. In addition, now a limited supply of the most common ammo will be available for coupon redemption at the Phoenix and Flagstaff department offices (**note**: it will not be offered for regular sale).

Coupons will be mailed to effected hunters soon and hunters are encouraged to buy their non-lead ammo soon to avoid possible supply shortages.

Hunters can choose either one box of loaded ammunition or one box of bullets for reloading their own ammunition with the coupon. There are multiple non-lead ammunition manufacturers to choose from, as well as several available calibers and grain weights.

Hunters in Arizona have proven their commitment to wildlife conservation in the past six years with 85 to 90 percent of hunters in Arizona's condor range voluntarily using non-lead ammo during their hunts or, if they used lead ammunition, removing the gut piles from the field.

This year, Game and Fish is reminding hunters that if they have trouble finding non-lead ammunition, they can still support condor recovery by removing gut piles from the field that were shot with lead ammunition. Hunters that remove their gut piles (lead ammunition only) will be eligible to be entered into a prize raffle.

Lead poisoning has been identified as the leading cause of diagnosed death in endangered condors and the main obstacle to a self-sustaining population in Arizona and southern Utah. Studies suggest that lead shot and bullet fragments found in animal carcasses and gut piles are the most likely source of lead exposure. Many hunters do not realize that the carcass or gut pile they leave in the field usually contains lead bullet fragments. Gut piles from animals harvested with non-lead ammunition provide an important food source for the condors and should be left in the field.

The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, which coordinates condor management with Arizona Game and Fish, has also recently implemented a lead reduction program in southern Utah to address the birds' more frequent foraging in the state.

For more information on condors and lead and a list of available non-lead ammunition, visit [www.azgfd.gov/condor](http://www.azgfd.gov/condor).

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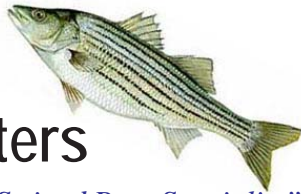


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## Latest news regarding Boquillas Ranch access

Aug. 20, 2014

### Improved access on Boquillas in 2014

KINGMAN, Ariz. — The Arizona Game and Fish Department has worked closely with the Boquillas Ranch to put agreements in place to preserve fair and reasonable sportsmen access on the ranch into the future.

The Big Boquillas Ranch, approximately 730,000 acres in size, is the largest in Arizona and one of the largest ranches in the country. The ranch covers approximately half of Game Management Unit 10 in Northern Arizona.

In 2013, the ranch implemented Ranch Rules as part of a pilot for the department's Land Owner Compact. The Ranch Rules were developed collaboratively with the department to help offset concerns of the landowner regarding some specific issues related to access.

The ranch also began charging a Recreational Impact Fee (RIF) in 2013. With nearly 500,000 of the ranch's acreage being private, the \$60 per person fee helps defer operational costs associated with access as well as costs associated with maintaining infrastructure on the ranch.

That infrastructure helps to sustain wildlife on the ranch which includes miles of pipeline, 110 steel water tanks, 150 steel troughs, and 130 earthen tanks.

The fees may also be used to help offset wildlife impacts to ranch infrastructure and operations. The fee, however, is waived for youth and disabled veteran hunters, and youth mentors.

"All this supports wildlife conservation," explained Tom Finley, supervisor for the Game and Fish Region 3 office in Kingman. "The ranch has always had the right to lock the gates, but instead of doing so they worked closely with the department to maintain hunting opportunities."

Wildlife Managers received significant positive feedback from those hunters who opted to pay the access fee to hunt on the Boquillas Ranch last year. The department has made a significant effort to ensure sportsmen understand the ranch rules and the RIF requirement this year.

The ranch has been open to hunters who obtain a proper Ranch Access Permit since August 8. Permits can only be purchased, and ranch rules reviewed, at the ranch's website [www.huntbigboranch.com](http://www.huntbigboranch.com).

Based on feedback from 2013, the ranch developed several additions to the access program. Among the most notable is that antlerless elk hunters who purchase a Big Boquillas hunter permit will receive one complimentary Hunter Assist Permit. In addition, archery deer hunters who purchase a permit can hunt the ranch from Dec. 12-Dec. 19, after which the ranch will close to all recreational users.

Also new for 2014 is that non-hunting youth under 16 do not require a permit and are free. In 2013, youth younger than 15 years old were free.

"After implementation of the fee last year, some people feared the worst," Finley said. "Instead the ranch made some modifications to improve the overall experience. The ranch has made a significant good-faith effort to work with the department to maintain and improve the hunting experience for our constituents."



# August Meeting Highlights



**Don Martin of Arizona Wildlife Outfitters** was guest speaker at our August 14th meeting. Don informed the group on Elk in Arizona.

Don had a contest to guess what the number of points the pictured Elk antlers scored.

What do you think?

**Don Canine** was the winner of the antler scoring contest. The actual points were: 290 gross and 270 net. The antlers have a spread of 40 inches.

Don will receive a guided striper fishing trip on Lake Mead with Captain Don Martin of **Striper Hunters**. See the ad for Striper Hunters on page 6.



# August Meeting Highlights



**Jim O'Dell** was introduced as **APC's new Webmaster.**

If you have any photos or articles you want to share with members, send them to Jim at:  
**[apc@azpredatorcallers.com](mailto:apc@azpredatorcallers.com)**



**Sabra Clark** was the winner of the August firearm raffle. Sabra will collect her Savage Axis .270 soon.



**Don Martin** supplied many items to add to our door prize raffle. Thanks to Don for making our August meeting a great one.



## Arizona Predator Callers - Membership Application

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