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- To The EDITOR

Dear Mrs. Sanderson:

In the September issue of "Cholla Chatter" there was a letter concerning the Puerto Penasco Pilot Desalting Plant.

Apparently, Mr. and Mrs. Perez were told by someone that the desalting plant would be closed at the end of August, and sold to a private company. This is not true. The pilot plant will be operated by the University of Arizona with the cooperation of the University of Sonora until January 1966. At that time the operation of the pilot plant will be turned over to the University of Sonora. However, the University of Arizona will continue to participate at the pilot plant with technical assistance.

Between now and January 1966 water will continue to be available free at the pilot plant when it is in operation. The pilot plant is a research facility and changes are continually being made, so there might be periods when no water is available.

The University of Arizona has operated the pilot plant on a research contract which has allowed us to give the product water away. When the University of Sonora assumes responsibility for the operation, they will be faced with financing the operation. To assist in the financing they plan to bottle some of the product and sell it for drinking and other distilled water uses.

The Puerto Penasco Pilot Desalting Plant is an excellent example of international co-operation in research on a most important problem. I am anxious that everyone understand its true purpose, and I would be happy to answer any questions concerning it.

Sincerely,

Carl N. Hodges Supervisor Solar Energy Laboratory

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Surf spincasting, light to medium rod boat trolling and jigging, and fishing for sailfish and dolphin are the prime reasons I love to fish the Rocky Point-Cholla Bay area.

The Spring and early Fall are the best times for beach cruising with a spinning stick, hot Summertime is the time for blue water battling with/for sailfish and dolphin, and Wintertime is the time to park your boat over a relatively shallow (15' to 40' deep) reef and jig.

I will try to explain my own personal, cowardly and somewhat lazy reasons for the HOW & WHY I prefer to fish for the smaller (up to 45 pounders) fish to be caught a short 4 hours drive from Phoenix.

Spincasting is my favorite way to fish, either from shore or from aboard a boat. With a 9' medium to light action rod, a reel loaded with 300 yards of 10# mono filament, you can handle almost any fish you hook into with the exception of the bottom dwellers or a mad sailfish.

There is a fascination to wading the sandy beaches and casting a lure far

out into the unknown, that brings a satisfaction to be gained no other way! One of the reasons salt water fishing beats any other type of fishing, is the fact that the fisherman has not the slightest idea of what type or how large a fish might try and inhale his offering.

When surfspinning the sand beaches during the Spring or Fall months, you can luck onto sea trout up to 10 pounds, pompano up to 5 pounds, mackerel up to 15 pounds, ladyfish up to 4 pounds, bonefish up to 4 pounds, yellowfin corvina up to 40 pounds, white sea bass (totuava) up to 80 pounds, or California white sea bass up to 50 pounds. Besides these regulars, there are many bonus fish such as California corbina, small halibut and flounder, as well as gulf perch, cotchie and numerous sharks—to give you variety in your catch.

All of the fish I've named will readily strike a lure, if it's presented right. The majority of these fish feed off the sandy bottom, in from 3 to 15 feet of water, so when casting, be sure and allow your lure (whether a chromed spoon or feather jig) sufficient time to settle to the bottom before starting your retrieve. There are exceptions to the rule of course, the most obvious is when the fish are feeding on the surface. The best retrieve for a spoon is a slow pumping action, giving your lure the appearance of a wounded or thoroughly scared bait fish. For mackerel or pompono, a fast, hard jumping action is necessary but for sea trout and yellowfin, a lazy, fluttering seems to do the job best.

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is in their selection of tackle. Most fresh water fishermen visualize salt water fishing as big game fishing! In blue water or deep reef fishing this is true, but surfspinning from shore (with the exciting exceptions of lucking onto a school of totuava or an occasional trout-gobbling grouper) is mostly concerned with casting to fish of under 10 pounds. Consequently, the heavy spin rods and reels most novice saltwater spincasters use, don't furnish much in the way of sport. Contradicting myself, I say that the average fresh water spinning rig is almost too sporty!

When spinning salt water, distance casting is more important than accuracv. A 51/2' to 6' spinrod is too short to give the leverage necessary for a long cast. Likewise, the average freshwater reel won't allow you to achieve the speed of retrieve sometimes required to get a mack or pomp or skipjack to hit.

In my opinion, an 81/2' to 9' light action rod, a reel between the large salt water and standard freshwater sizes. plus a minimum of 8 pound or maximum of 12 pound monofillement line is the correct outfit to spin salt water.

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By Mel Jarvis

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Dead battery, starters that won't start, generators that don't generate and in most all cases it is not the fault of the component part. Your car battery is good for years. Why? Because the service station attendant checks it for you, But how many of you pull into a service station with your boat (without the car in front, that is), So it's up to you to do the checking. With the low amp D.C. generator, water level stays put, except for evaporation from old Sol. But now we have the alternator with its high amperage and man, that's death to a battery low on water, combined high amps and the Arizona or Mexico heat and low water level in your battery and you have a battery with a short life.

Knew a fellow once, that never had a dead battery. Everytime he went to the lake, he took the battery out of his pickup and put it in his boat. Good! He always had a hot battery, but the constant taking in and out and tightening and loosening of the connections causes the battery post to loosen up and then ZAP! One day the battery exploded right in his face. The loose post shorted out and caused the battery to blow up. He almost lost the sight of one eye. IF YOU do this USE CAUTION AND CARE.

Most batteries are kept in the battery box and held down by a strap that comes with the battery box. As in the case of most all things, the strap wears out or is lost. This strap, in most shops or sporting goods stores costs 75c and it's very important—it holds your battery in place. A battery won't last long playing tug of war with its cables or doing the Watusi on the deck of the boat. Once the case is cracked and the acid is lost so is the battery.

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It is possible that you may still enroll in this class or we may start another one. If you are interested, drop us a line. I am pleased to hear that some of our club members who don't live close to Phoenix have enrolled in Spanish classes in their own neighborhood.

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Some time ago, I was asked if the picture, Bill Valentine painted for the Radio Shack at Cholla could be put in a suitable frame and covered with glass.

SO, with the help of some business friends, I got the job done. The Cholla Bay Sportsmens Club would like to take this opportunity to thank, Don Mays, American Auto Glass, Phoenix, for the glass and Johnnie Dickenson of Builders Millwork, Phoenix for cutting down the frame and Tony Hall Sporting Goods for the paint. I supplied the leg work.

P.S. Tony Hall's don't know about the paint, until they read this.

ZAP — Mel Jarvis

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The Waiting is Over!

Jesus, Ramón Perez arrived at 11:10 p.m. on Sunday, September 26, 1965. The potential radio operator is the son of Ramón and Patricia Perez. It's "Open House" every day at the CBSC Radio Shack.

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Many of our newer members - and some of the old ones - do not seem to be aware of the fact that OUR CLUB has a master Mexican Automobile Liability policy that can provide insurance for the members at a very low cost, Our Insurance Committee Chairman can provide you with details as to your coverage for personal liability as well as property damage resulting from automobile accidents. The fee for coverage is different if you intend to remain in Mexico more than 90 days.

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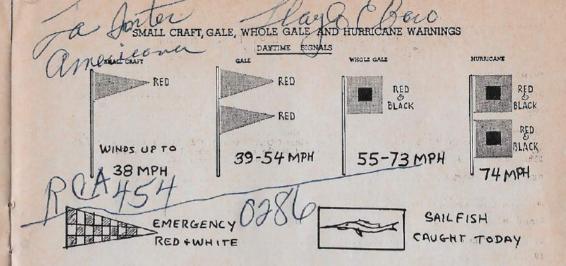
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FROM TUCSON By VERNA CONLISK

"THE LAZIEST LABOR DAY OF ALL'

Most every 'Labor Day' that I can remember has been spent in frantic preparation for a week to get as much recreation jammed into four days as possible. This year, although there was no real change in the frantic week-long preparations, the enjoyment of Labor Day was the laziest I've ever had.

We had planned our usual trip to Cholla Bay. We had gathered in all the supplies, packed more than the necessary clothing, arranged for the care and feeding of our menagerie at home, planned to catch the 'big ones' when we got to Cholla Bay. We arrived after a leisurely drive through Sells, Lukeville, Sonoyta and down to Cholla Bay. We unpacked, visited at the Radio Shack and friends, came back and ate a bite of supper and then sat and listened to records while we were waiting for friends to arrive that had planned to go fishing with us the next morning. After they arrived we sat around and talked until after midnight.

Next morning instead of hitting the carpet at 5:00 a.m., it must have been at least 7:00 a.m. No giraffe milkers to wake us up, so we slept in. While I was fixing breakfast the men all took a run up to look at the ocean. There were white caps all over, which means no fishing as yet. So they came back and we all had breakfast and my husband took the men in the truck to show them all over Cholla as this was their first trip.

Meanwhile back at the shack, I had found a book that had been left by some one and I started to read. By the

time the fellows returned I was half way through the book. I fixed them some lunch and we sat around and played cards all afternoon. We did go over to Sandy Beach and played in the surf a while. And I picked up a few shells to show the newcomers a few varieties that are to be found there.

Then supper, dark and bed. The wind which was unfriendly to the fishermen, was wonderful for sleeping. I don't think I ever slept so soundly at Cholla Bay before. But unfortunately the wind which was so nice for sleeping still was unfavorable for fishing, still white caps all over, so no fishing again!

We had a unhurried breakfast, the men did some more exploring and I read. After lunch we decided to go back to the beach. Someone (me) suggested we take a fly rod along. Common sense should have told me that casting into the wind was next to impossible, but you know how hard it is to convince an amateur or someone who has never tried something before. Anyway we took the flyrod, but we didn't go to the beach, we went to the estuary. There must be a trick to fishing that way because fish would jump up on all sides of me but not once did one obligingly accept my hook. After an hour of casting (and I did get real good at throwing that little feather jig), I decided that the fish just were not co-operating, so we gave up and went on to the beach.

Now I have heard of the immovable force before, but I don't think I was really prepared for the force represented in the waves of an angry ocean. Try as I would I just couldn't keep the waves from dancing me right off my feet. First I would be on my feet and next on my head. I don't know which was the most fun, participating or watching those watching practically splitting their sides laughing at me. I think I moved three feet out into the waves and they brought me five back in. I tried again, and again, but that immovable force got the better of me without a doubt. After an hour or so of that I flopped on a beach towel and let the sun and the salt air take over. I know I could have fallen asleep but some one threw wet sand on me (all

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in fun, of course). Time has a way of passing by unnoticed. Soon it was time to go back to the cabana, eat again and close up shop and head for home.

(Now if we had gone fishing this would have been the time to clean down the boat, scrub the deck, grease the motors, and hurry, hurry, and ice the fish and hurry, hurry, and when you get everything closed up and were ready to go you always felt like you wish you had another day at least to rest up.) But this 'Labor Day' was not the usual labor in preparation, during or after the fact, but just a leisurely, taking it easy all day long for three

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THOSE METRIC MEASURES

Before you complain about people in Mexico weighing and measuring everything in an unnatural way, as the metric system may seem to you, you should be informed that it is WE not THEY who are clinging to an outmoded system.

Which is easier to count — 100 centimeters to a meter and 1000 meters to a kilometer, or 12 inches to a foot, 3 feet to a yard and 5,280 feet to a mile? THE SPANISH WAY, YOU SAY? It is the International way of measuring. The following table will be of help to you while you are adapting yourself to the Spanish:

1 centimeter = .3937 inch

1 meter = 39.37 inches

1 kilometer = .62137 mile

1 liter = 1.0567 quarts (liquid)

1 inch = 2.54 centimeters

1 foot = .3048 meter

1 mile = 1.6093 kilometers

1 pound = .4536 kilogram

1 quart = .9463 liter (liquid)

1 gallon = 3.7852 liters

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Great Tides Occur at Full & New Moon





The times given are for high tide. Low tide will follow each high by about 51/2 hours.





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