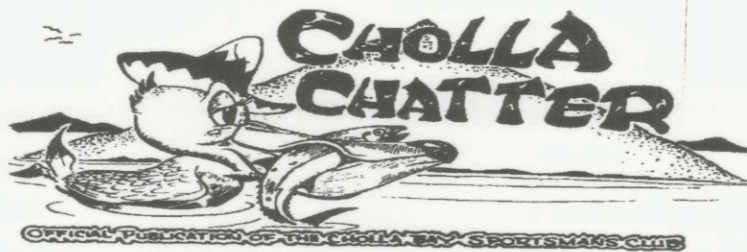


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Billie & Mike Carnes  
give a donation to  
the Red Cross from CBSC  
after last year's horseshoe  
tournament



## **GET THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR**

**NOW!**

Hawaiian Luau and game night - March 5th

Horseshoe Tournament - April 2nd

Fishing Derby:

March 11, 12, 13, 14

April 8, 9, 10

April 29, 30 and May 1

May 26, 27, 28

Fish Fry & Awards: May 29

**HOPE WE SEE YOU AT THESE EVENTS!**

**LAS VEGAS NIGHT (HAWAIIAN STYLE)**

By the time you receive this Chatter, this event will be over, so in the next Cholla Chatter we'll have all the news about it. Be sure to pay your dues so that you don't miss the next issue.

We hope that you were there for the fun!

**4th ANNUAL HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT**

If you have attended this event over the last three years, you know that it is one of the largest and most fun events in Cholla. What you might not know is that a portion of the profits from this event are donated to the Rocky Point Red Cross.

WE NEED SPONSORS!! If you, or a company you know would like to be a sponsor, you can donate money, raffle prizes and/or Player giveaways to the CBSC Horseshoe Tournament. If the sponsor provides us with a banner, we will hang it up around the clubhouse grounds during the tournament. All sponsors will be announced during the game and be given honorable mention in the newsletters.

We are aware that JJ's Cantina is holding their One Hole Open on the same day as the tournament. If you want to attend both events, please contact me for early registration and we will schedule your team for the latest start time.

BE THERE ON APRIL 2nd!! We'll have hot dogs, popcorn and lots of beer.

Billie Crumbley

chollamidget1@comcast.net

520-299-8051 (vonage) or 382-5133 (local Cholla phone)

**A FIRE IN CHOLLA**

Pat Goodin

A few weeks ago there was a fire in Cholla, at the home of Mike Clark. We thank all of the water truck drivers who showed up with their trucks full of water. Thanks also to the RP Fire Department which arrived on scene. With all their quick service, the fire was put out quickly and didn't spread to anyplace else. The Cholla Fire Truck is out of service because the water tank has rusted or corroded out. I can't imagine why anything like that could happen in Cholla????

I heard that the cause of the fire was that someone had dumped their ashtray into the trash can in the kitchen, thinking it was all out. They were just reaching the border when someone called them to come back.

So, you smokers - make sure your " butts are dead!" And don't put them in the trash cans. Save Cholla Bay.

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# HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

*SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 2011*

**CHOLLA CLUBHOUSE**

*SIGN UP 9:00-11:00A.M.*

**Pre-Registration available at:**

*Chollabayhoa.net*

***Tournament begins at 11:00A.M.***

***PLAYERS—\$12.00***

***SPECTATORS -\$7.00***

***(PRICE INCLUDES BEER, 2 HOT DOGS, CHIPS, & POPCORN)***

1st Place Team Prize \$200

2nd Place Team \$100, 3rd Place Team \$50

**EVERYONE WELCOME!!!**

**For More Information: Call Billie at 382-5133 in Cholla  
Or e-mail: [chollamidget2@yahoo.com](mailto:chollamidget2@yahoo.com)**

## 56th ANNUAL FISHING DERBY

Pat Goodin

Inside this issue of the Cholla Chatter you'll find a poster for the 56th Annual Derby, which lists all the dates and other useful information. The dates are also on page 1 of the Chatter.

Other information you may want to know:

-- We will be holding early registration at the Ship's Store/Gift Shop down at the Radio Shack on Thursday, March 10th starting at 3:00. We'll be there until about 5:00. It will help you if you can come and register early, then you can get out in the morning early. We believe that the Fishing License man will be out at 5:00, and we may be at JJs at that time. So, look for us there if we aren't at the Radio Shack

-- Remember, boats must be at the scales by 6:00 P.M. this year so if you have fish, you need to get in early enough to get your boat to the scales by 6:00.

-- If the port is closed due to weather, the shore fishing is also closed and fish will not be weighed.

WE WISH GOOD LUCK TO ALL OF YOU!

AND, A BIG THANKS TO ALL OF OUR SPONSORS AND EVERYONE WHO HAS HELPED, AND WILL BE HELPING TO MAKE THIS ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL FISHING DERBY. (List in this Chatter)

## RADIO SHACK AND OTHER CLUB NEWS

Pat Goodin

Do you know what the red light is at the Radio Shack? I find that some people don't know, so I'm going to let you know right now. When that red light comes on at night down there - look up above the radio shack - it means there is a boat out after dark. Sometimes we know where the boat is, and it's just a matter of it being late. Other times there may be a boat out that is late, but we haven't been able to contact it by radio, which could mean they are dead in the water, possibly without any power for the radio. In that case, the radio operator (Villa) gets busy contacting any boats, possibly the Navy, pongas, etc. to try to get help. If in radio contact, Villa has someone who might be out there to go to find them and tow them in. At times he launches a boat to go out after them. That is why we have a radio operator. If the boat is launched from Rocky Point, he also helps with radio contact sometimes but they usually take care of getting the boat in. So, now you know "the rest of the story".

The radio shack will be getting another face-lift. New steel doors are being purchased for all of the doors. We already have a new one on the office portion. We will then be fixing up as much as possible, and then painting. When done, there is a possibility that we will have an "Open House". More news about that in the next Chatter.

Don't forget about the Ship's Store/Gift Shop. Or we might call it a souvenir shop. Anyway, we have the derby shirts, some jewelry, books, some fishing gear, and other miscellaneous items. I know that some of you don't get down there, but please stop by and see what we have. We should have our new derby shirts by the first weekend of the fishing derby. We are always open during the fishing derby. If you want to help, come on down there and let us know. You'll have a good time while helping.

Hector Munroe was a very colorful part of Cholla Bay history as old Chollans will remember. He was an expert fishing guide and also owned his own boat, the Mañana Maybe. He passed away on Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> and on Sunday, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> family and friends gathered in Cholla as his ashes were scattered in the Sea of Cortez where he loved to fish. Below are some memories dedicated to Hector.

### One of a Kind

We could start the story of Hector Munro by a note from the late Bill Valentine when Bill said “this gentle giant is one of the greatest human beings we have had the pleasure of knowing. It is a very trite phrase, but completely apropos in this case, and that is: ‘to know him is to love him’”.

He was 19 years old when he approached our 9 and 10 year old girls at Cholla Bay. They were jumping rope but there were only two of them, and that’s when Hector took the rope and started a fairytale friendship that lasted more than 55 years. His love of people and fishing guided his life on the high seas of Cholla Bay. His famous boat, the Mañana Maybe, experienced great fishing trips for his clients for eight wonderful years. When a weak economy and strong competition forced him to part ways from his boat, Hector wrote that he was “too old to be a Latin lover and too young to be Old Man of the Sea”. His wit, tall stature and fair skin, charisma, command of the English language and hundreds of American friends earned him the name “Gringo” with his Mexican friends. If he wasn’t guiding for the big ones on the Mañana Maybe, he was guiding on one of the countless boats that enjoyed the fishy waters around Cholla. He guided by his own osmosis—he lined up the mountains with the best fishing reefs marked in his mind when, suddenly, he’d say this is where we stop. The action usually happened immediately with a huge black sea bass on Hector’s hand line.

His family stories kept us entertained for hours while sitting under the starry nights. Our crowded cabin would be down in the mouth while the wind howled outside when Hector would storm in. “God put wind here to clean our air and give us blue skies.” We’ll play spoons, dominoes and cards; we’ll make ceviche and love this day as much as a fishing day. Hector always made it happen for us. Even the town’s wild dogs followed Hector wherever he went. Everybody wanted to be Hector’s friend.

We loved Hector Munro for many reasons. Maybe for his classy good looks, his heart, his homemade English accent which came about as he read movie magazines and secretly fell for Marilyn Monroe. His joy of life, his perfect manners dawn to dusk and birth to death--he was a gentleman to the very young and the very old. It seemed like everyone loved Hector and he is one of a kind who will always be remembered and forever missed.

### The Valentine Family

Hector Munro passed away Saturday, February 5, 2011

A quick story,

My dad hired Hector to guide us fishing in the 1970's. I was a 13 year old kid that wanted nothing more than to catch fish in Mexico. My grandpa Eddie Gibson had a place on Pelican Point and I fished the rocks constantly. Anyways, it was during the Cholla fishing derby and Hector came on our boat with me and my dad for the first time. He lined up the mountains behind us to get us on a reef and I caught a grouper for the first time and won the grand prize for juniors in the derby that year.

Hector was my hero and I always remember that trip.

Happy fishing Hector.

Mike Crimmins

Was sad to hear about Hector Munro's passing. I guess I'm one of the oldtimers here in Cholla and I remember when he and Betty were married. I also remember his boat, the Manana Maybe and lots of us went out fishing on it. His family is very active in politics here in Puerto Penasco still. I always thought he was so handsome. I'm sorry to hear he is gone. Thank you for the news.

Gayle Savelsberg



### From the Launching PaLet's Go Fishing! via Rosario Villa

Fishing, when fishermen were able to get out, has been good. Some good sized fish, including a

couple of grouper have been brought in.

The wind was not kind for J.J.'s Derby as they could get out only on Friday and maybe only five boats were able to launch. But all told when it wasn't blowing about 25 boats were launched in February.

There were three search and rescue missions during February handled by punga fishermen and one when "Pink Lady" was towed in by Rick Riabal assisted by Jipi.

Villa's daughter, Stephanue, is working at the large Walmart like store called "Ahorrara" located just out of town on the road to Sonoyta. We are going to check it out this week

Hasta luego.... Humbug, aka Don Schmdli

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### Valentine & Friends Revisited\*

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[marjievalentine@cox.net](mailto:marjievalentine@cox.net)

This book is also available in Cholla at  
Ship's Store Gift Shop for \$10  
A portion of this will go to CBSC

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### Sick Bay

Janice Coughlin fell and broke her hip on New Year's Day. Luckily she and Bill were not in Cholla. Of course it has been awhile, it take awhile for a broken hip to mend, but at last report she was doing fine. Her address for cards is 6720 N. 14<sup>th</sup> St.. Phoenix, Az. 85014

Moon (Dick) Mullins was in the hospital in Feb. were he underwent his fourth procedure for diverticulitis, not a fun thing to do. We certainly hope it helped and he is doing well. You can send cards to 4525 E. Burgess Ln., Phoenix, Az. 85040

In January Rose Barringer's son, Kenny Rohrer, was killed in a motorcycle accident. Please send cards to her at 17115 E. Calaveras, Fountain Hills, Az. 85268

Bill Brown underwent surgery to update a device implant in his skull to control tremors, an inherited problem. They drilled into his skull to do this and although his skull was deadened he had to stay awake to aide in the surgery. Amazing, he is doing just fine now. Debbie Brown, his wife, was in the hospital for 6 days recently for diabetic treatment. Their address is 1311 E. Tierra Buena Lane, Phoenix, Az. 85022

Sally Dalton had an excellent health report that she is cancer free. We are certainly glad to hear that.

Nancy Huff underwent urgent heart surgery on March 1<sup>st</sup> and received a triple bypass. She and Jim were in a restaurant when she passed out and was rushed to the hospital. She has had a couple of set backs but at last report she was doing better. Please send prayers and cards to P.O. Box 626, Mesilla Park, NM 88047

Dottie Nelson is now living in a retirement community in Mesa. She has friends in Tempe, where she once served on the city council, but she misses Cholla. Her cell phone # is 480 388 6808 and her address is 155 W. Brown Rd.#178t, Mesa, Az. 85201.

Please say prayers for Pauline Shelby. She is now in an Alzheimer's care facility. It is Grayson House, 7509 E. Longlook Dr., Prescott Valley, Az. 86314. At this time, she cannot have visitors, but I think we can send cards.

Remember, if you or someone you know is ill we would like to know about it so we can get cards of encouragement sent. It is best if you can email such news to [nschmidli@cox.net](mailto:nschmidli@cox.net) . Of course if you don't use email you may call me at 623 444 7759 in Sun City or 382 5036 in Cholla Bay.

**56th ANNUAL DERBY SPONSORS, LISTED ALPHABETICALLY****WATCH NEXT MONTH FOR BUSINESS CARDS FOR THESE SPONSORS****PLEASE PATRONIZE THESE SPONSORS!**

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**MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

Sure had an awesome time at the Mardi Gras party - Gotta learn to make that Banana's Foster I tell ya! As I write this we have 115 paid members for 2011. Please take a moment and send your check in now. Annual dues are \$40, and checks should be made payable to CBSC. Please mail them to me: Laura McIntyre 7174 W Rivulet Drive, Tucson AZ 85743.

Current members do not need to fill out the form unless there are changes to be made. Just make sure that the name on your check matches what I'd have on file for you and/or your spouse! Please note however that if the address on your check doesn't match what is in the membership file, I'll change it to match your check, so go ahead and send those forms back if your check doesn't match where you want your Chatter to go!

You can tell what year you last renewed by the 08, 09, 10 or 11 at the end of your last name on your Cholla Chatter address label. *(If you do have an 08 or 09, don't worry - your \$40 check will go for 2011 and you will be current.)* The board has decided to wait another month before we send out the separate mailings for unpaid members that I mentioned last month. If you could get your dues mailed in and current, it would certainly save some expense for The CBSC when it does come time to send them!!

We would also like to encourage you to invite your friends and relatives to join. Share your Chatter with them so they can learn more about us, and let them have the form! We have some really exciting events and activities coming up. Later Alligators!

☺ Laura McIntyre ☺



**CBSC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION    Annual Dues: \$40.00**

Membership dues and other activities of the CHOLLA BAY SPORTSMEN'S CLUB funded the purchase of radio equipment and continue to support the operation and maintenance of Marine VHF Radio (Channel 26) for the Northern Sea of Cortez. The CBSC pays the salary of the Cholla Bay Radio Operator, assists in search and rescue operations, and when necessary can assist with some arrangements for the emergency transportation of critically ill or injured. The CBSC conducts an annual Fishing Derby, hosts numerous events, publishes the "CHOLLA CHATTER" Newsletter, and promotes good relations between American visitors and our Mexican neighbors.

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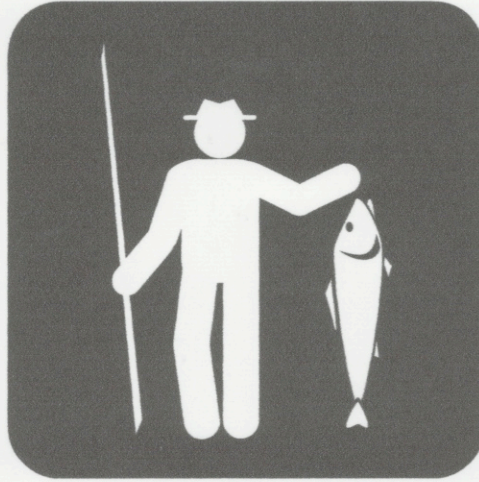
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# CHOLLA BAY SPORTSMEN'S CLUB



## FISH



## CATCH



## WIN

56th Annual Fishing Derby  Cholla Bay, Sonora, Mexico

March 11 - 14 • April 8 - April 10

April 29 - May 1 • May 26 - May 28

Awards & Fish Fry: May 29, 2011

Enter at the Boat Ramp in Cholla, next to JJ's Cantina

Adult & Junior,  
Boat & Shore  
Categories



All  
Fishermen  
Welcome

### Be a Part of History!

The CBSC has not made it for almost 60 years without the help of Volunteers! If you can help in any way... big or small, please lend a hand. Help is needed prior to the derby, every derby day (registering entrants, selling shirts, weighing fish, taking pictures, cheering for the 'catch of the day'). We always need help at the Fish Fry (selling raffle tickets & giving prizes, serving food or drinks, and more). If you can help for an hour or more, please do. Stop by Ship's Store (below JJ's by the scales) or contact Pat Goodin 575-635-4779 or in Cholla 382-5056 and see what you can do to be a part of history!