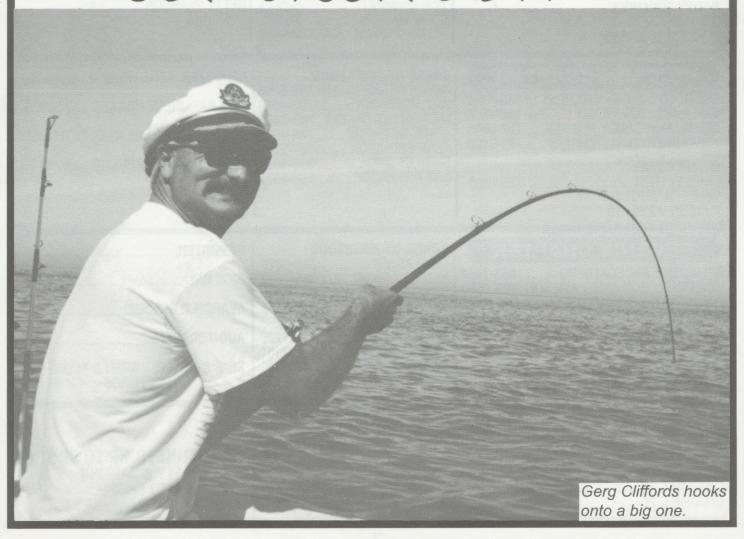


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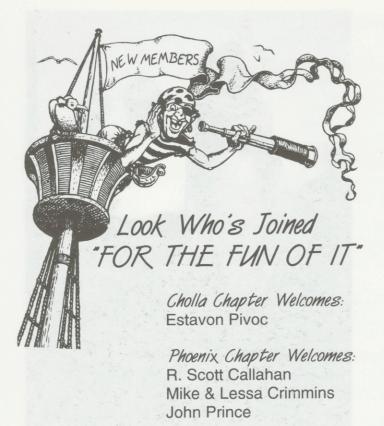
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Phoenix April Meeting: DUTCH OVEN COOKING

Dutch Oven cooking is the topic of the Phoenix Chapters April meeting. Bring your Dutch oven and come to eat. Learn how to cook on the beach in a Dutch oven. Meal will be pot roast and potatoes, mixed vegetables and cherry pie. Ron Engle-Wilson will teach us how to cook and share his recipes. Please bring \$2.00 per person if you would like to eat.

Phoenix May Meeting: CPR TRAINING

We will once again have the fire department with us to teach and certify us in CPR. We will need to begin the meeting EARLY - It will start at 6:30pm on May 12th. If you wish to participate, please arrive by 6:30 and bring \$15.00 per person to cover the cost of the class. Everyone is welcome, members and non-members alike. CPR is something everyone should learn, you never know when you might need to help save a life. We hope to see you there.

Come On Phoenix Members... Attend Your Meetings!!!

'96 Calendar of Events

APRIL

- 9 Cholla Chapter Meeting
- 9 Tucson Chapter Meeting
- 10 Phoenix Chapter Meeting
- 18 Chatter Articles Due To Editors
- 26-28 CBSC Fishing Derby Continues
- 27 JJ's Chili Cookoff
- 27 JJ's Sailboat & Jet Ski Races

MAY

- 4 JJ's Golf Tournament
- 8 Phoenix Chapter Meeting
- 14 Cholla Chapter Meeting
- 14 Tucson Chapter Meeting
- 18 Chatter Articles Due To Editors
- 24-27 CBSC Fishing Derby Continues
- 26 CBSC Annual Steak Fry

JUNE

- 1 JJ's Bathtub Races
- 7-8 CBSC Fishing Derby
- 8 Fish Fry & Awards
- 11 Cholla Chapter Meeting
- 11 Tucson Chapter Meeting
- 12 Phoenix Chapter Meeting

Don't Miss Your Meetings!

-- CHOLLA --

2nd Tuesday of each month *Listen to VHF radio for location*

-- TUCSON --

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-- PHOENIX --

2nd Wednesday of each month Meeting: 7:30 pm Arizona American Italian Club 7509 North 12th Street

Derby Weekend #1

The March winds calmed just in time for the derby to start, and the weather remained great for the entire weeken. "Thank you Mother Nature". Approximately 50 boats launched over the entire weekend with few returning with fish to weigh. As of the first weekend of the derby the results for first through third are as follows:

MEN'S GROUPER

Tim McFarland 75.50lbs

MEN'S PINTO

Frank Flynn 37.95lbs Pepe Rodriguez 18.65lbs Art Moore 15.80

JUNIOR ... PINTO

Randy Adams 3.65lbs

MEN'S COTCHI

Greg Cliffords 4.25lbs

Ken Goodin 2.95lbs.

Frank Prieto 2.80lbs

WOMEN'S COTCHI

Marlene Cliffords 5.09lbs.

Kelley Adams 3.35lbs

JUNIOR...COTCHI

Randy Adams 3.45lbs.

Aaron Wolfley 3.05lbs.

Megan Bottesch 1.95lbs.

WOMEN'S SARDINERO

Maxine Hagar 12.20lbs.

MEN'S POMPANO

Dave Adams 0.85lbs

MEN'S BLACK SEA BASS

Gus Brown 304.15lbs.

Frank Flynn 239.20lbs.

Dan Hunt 149.45lbs.

WOMEN'S BLACK SEA BASS

Irma Brown 187.15lbs

JUNIOR...MISC.

(the following juniors have weighed in fish in

this category)

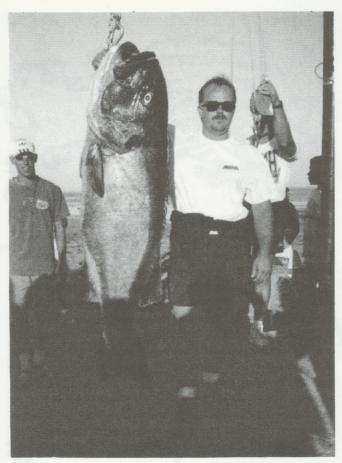
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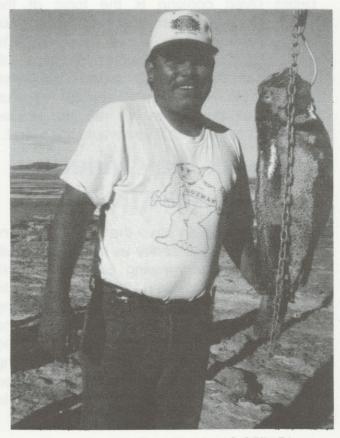
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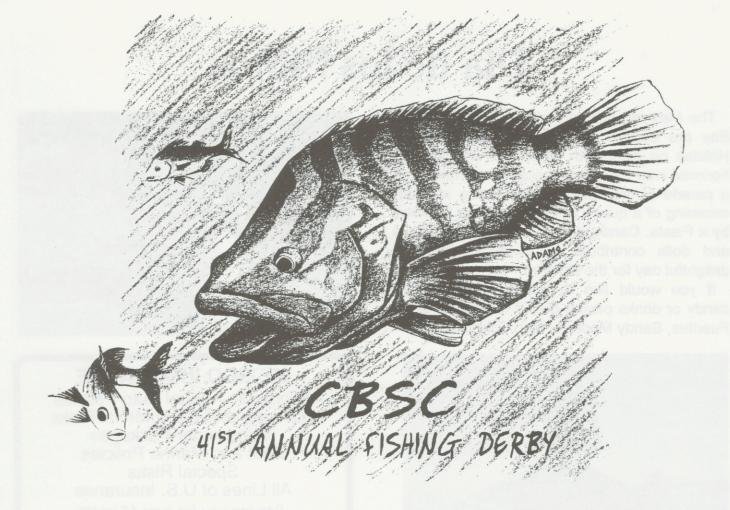
There are still a lot of catagories to fill, so don't miss out on the next Derby Weekend, April 26th-28th.



Dan Hunt with a 149.45lb Black Sea Bass Caught aboard the "About Time"



Pepe Rodriquez with his 18.65lb Pinto



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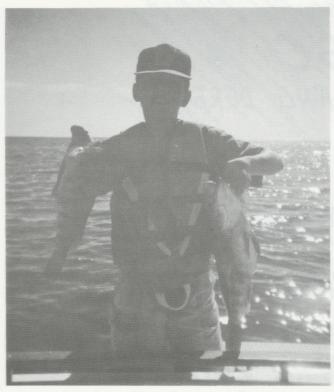
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The Mexican children and parents of Cholla Bay are eagerly preparing for this National Holiday on April 30th when the children are honored with their own special day. There'll be a parade of the children culminating with the crowning of a queen at the Fry Shack followed by a Fiesta. Candy, sodas, cake, cookies, toys and dolls contribute to a memorable and delightful day for the children.

If you would like to donate money, toys, candy or drinks please give it to Rosário Léon Fuentes, Sandy Moore or Don Schmidli.



Randy Adams with a Bass & Stranger Fish

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ANNUAL STEAK DINNER

The Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club once again will serve a steak dinner with all the fixings. It will take place on Sunday, May 26th at the Fry Shack (Gus Brown Plaza) in Cholla at 5:00 pm. The price of the steak dinner is \$7.50, with all proceeds go to help support the Radio Room (Your safty network) and the CBSC. There are a limited number of tickets available, so get your tickets early. Tickets are available through Pat Goodin in Cholla.

This steak dinner is a casual barbecue cookout with great food and great people. You will need to bring your own beverages and silverware, hope to see you there.

Tucson Chitter Chatter

The March meeting was held at the usual favorite place, Las Margaritas, and I understand it was bulging at the seams. Jerry Kitchens was at the helm taking charge of the meeting and all went well. The usual procedures took place as the evening progressed without too many complaints and incidents. The reports were good and the guest speaker, Council President, Frank Flynn, spoke of the big event of the year "The Fishing Derby". The T-shirts are in and the solution was sought to get them to Cholla.

Jerry attended the council meeting held in Rocky Point at the Pink Cadillac on Saturday, March 16th. The number of boats going out for the first day of the derby were over twenty. The weather was great.

The present reports from Irean Drake, sick bay nothing drastic. The membership's report from Shirley Reid reports no new members. Congratulations are due to Chuck and Gaye Faubian from New Mexico they are expecting their second child. Little Blake is very excited about having a little sister or brother.

The meeting ended with the usual door prize raffle. The "Luck of the Irish" were with some.

"Thank you" Irene Drake for writing the article for Tere while we were on a cruise. The cruise was great and everyone should take one at least once in a lifetime. We spotted many whales and sword fish. Our house has been full of visitors from Montana, Colorado and Michigan. We all had a great time in Cholla and the biggest thrill was to walk out in the bay and look for shells and critters. They were in awe to see the tide go in and out. They fell in love with Cholla, don't we all?

Thanks for attending meetings, "Good Luck" to all ye fishermen. Thanks for all ye volunteers, you are really needed.

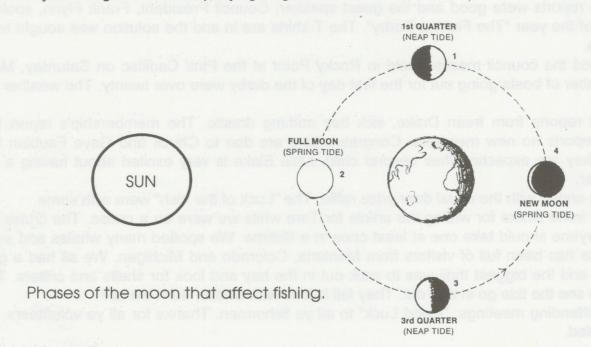
Respectfully, Tere





DOES THE MOON'S PHASE AFFECT FISHING?

We are familiar with fishing calendars that predict good, fair and poor fishing days depending on the phase of the moon. While the value of these may be debatable on inland lakes and streams, the moon does influence inshore saltwater fishing in a different way from that of the periodic rise and fall of the tides. A glance at the moon reveals its phase, making calendars unnecessary. Let's try to simplify what actually happens by referring to the accompanying diagram.



We have seen that the moon revolves around the earth every 24 hours and 51 minutes, thus providing approximately two full tide changes per day. The moon's relationship to the sun brings up a different situation of interest to saltwater anglers. Since the earth is moving in an inclined orbit around the sun, it requires 29.53 days for the moon to regain its same position relative to the sun's direction. This interval is called a lunar month or, to put it as simple as possible, the time elapsing between full moons.

The difference in distances from earth to the moon and to the sun makes the gravitational attraction of the moon three times that of the sun. When the sun and moon are in line with the earth their gravitational forces are combined, as shown in phase 2 and 4 in the accompanying diagram. These increased forces pull the tides more than ordinarily, thus making them abnormally high. These are called "spring tides," the word having no relationship to the season. Spring tides occur when the moon is full and when it is new. (Since we can't see the new moon, it is commonly called "new" when a thin crescent first appears.)

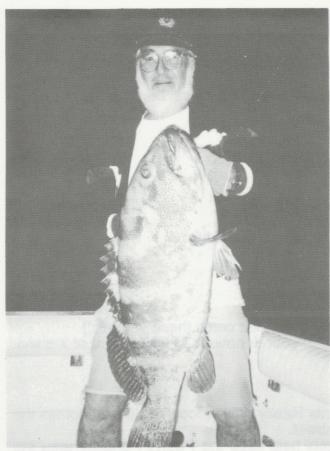
Conversely, when the sun and moon are not in line with the earth, the maximum gravitational attraction diminishes, reaching greatest impotence during the moon's first and third quarters, as shown by phase 1 and 3 of the same diagram. (This is when only half of the moon's disk is illuminated.) These times of minimum attraction causes abnormally low tides, which are known as "neap tides." Spring tides and neap

each occur twice per lunar month, with about two weeks between them.

What does all this have to do with fishing? We know that the full moon and the new moon bring abnormally high tides. This brings gamefish inshore to feed, particularly in rich, marshy backwaters they can't reach during ordinary high tides. Fish on spawning migrations seem to expect these tides, waiting near estuaries for them so they can pass over tidewater obstructions otherwise insurmountable. Fish see lures and baits easier during the full moon, and baitfish seem to travel more actively then. All this means that extra-good fishing can be expected during the high halves of tides when the moon is full and when the moon shows a thin crescent. Conversely, the neap tides during the moon's quarters may not be as good as average, but there may be holes and other hot spots such as outer bars which only can be reached then. Very low tides also concentrate fish in channels.

High tides accompanied by winds result in crashing waves which uncover mollusks and other bottom foods and push them closer to shore, thus bringing gamefish into the surf. This means that a good time to fish the surf and from such places as breakwaters and rocks is soon after a storm when the weather has

calmed down a bit.



Gene Court with a big 43lb Pinto (caught just prior to the derby)



Marline Cliffords with a 5.09lb Trigger Fish

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Help stop this ugly "Gang" related activity before it moves to the next step.

You can help by writing a letter to:

The Mayor of Puerto Peñasco: Oscar Palacio

c/o Rocky Point Times

P.O. Box 887 Lukeville, AZ 85341

(Ask him to have city workers paint out the graffiti and have the police catch these vandals!)

You can also help the Rocky Point Business Coalition with your donations of white paint or a check so they may purchase paint.

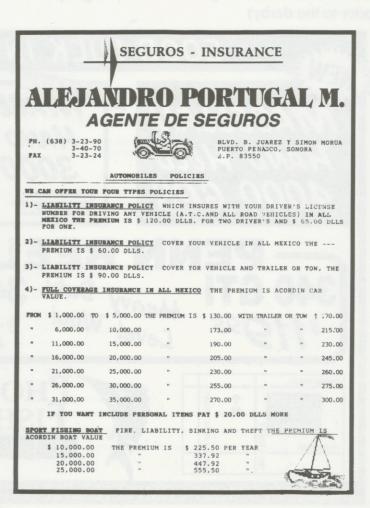
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Or you can drop off paints and contributions to Servi-Rents Realty offices located directly across the street from the Corona distributor on Rocky Points main street.

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March marked another historical event for Cholla Bay. The digging of the holes and placement of the electric poles. After all the years of saying it will happen - it finally did happen. As usual with any major change there are bugs to be worked out. One by one each problem is being taken care of and very soon flipping a switch will be a reality.

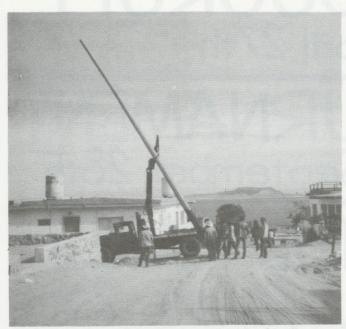
Homeowners are happy with this historical event and so are the sea gulls and ospreys. They have found a new world as they soar over Cholla Bay seeking out the highest pole. Lots of Choices.

If you are interested you can now purchase a telephone card which you can insert in the various pay phones scattered throughout Puerto Peñasco and call long distance. After your call is complete the card ejects deducting the price of your call. This card is great to have in case of emergencies. The cards can be purchased at the telephone office.

The first couple weeks of March the weather was like the traditional lion, but it settled considerably for the beginning of the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club Fishing Derby. You're not in style in Cholla Bay unless you're wearing one of the new T-shirts with the "Adams" Grouper floating over the CBSC announcement of the 41st Fishing Derby.

April 20th all of Cholla Bay and guest from Puerto Peñasco are in for another treat. The OBSC celebrates their 10th annual Bash. They threaten to make it the best and the biggest ever. The sky divers will be back this year and they always draw a big crowd. This event is always very special for young and old. There is never a dull moment and a must on your list of fun things to do.

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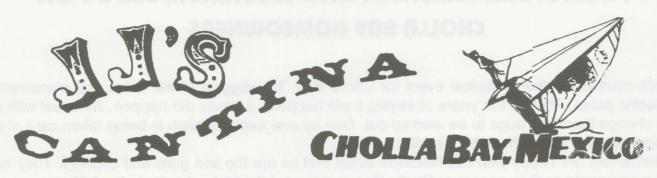
Power poles being installed in Cholla



A couple weeks later came the transformers



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CHOLLA CHAPTER CHITTER CHATTER

By: Pat Goodin

Once again, a good turn-out at our meeting! About 83 members and guests met at Mr. Amigo's restaurant March 12th, and again the friendly staff served us wonderful food and good drinks.

We had some guests from the Phoenix and Tucson chapters again: Dave, Kelley and Randy Adams - Phoenix • Bill and Julienne Wallace - Phoenix • and Chuck and Joan Dernberger - Tucson.

Other guests were: Bogie & Hannah Jordan, Rosalie Nenninger, Bryan and Jenny Rimsza, Linda Clendenning, Alicia Sanchez, and Carol, Jim and Matthew Schmidt. Welcome to all. Glad you could be with us

We have some new members: Tom and Josie Chabert, Bob Lorenc (T-Shirt Bob), Richard and Martha Lokken and Kenneth and Susan Mannila. Some of them were also at the meeting. Welcome to the chapter, and to the meetings.

After the business meeting and dinner, Tony Rimsza and Bob Fleetwood awarded door prizes and raffle prizes. Lo and behold, I won something. I hadn't won in quite a while, so I was happy.

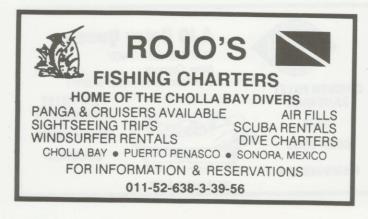
March has brought in some wind around the Puerto Peñasco and Cholla Bay area, but only a few drops of rain. But as I write this article, the first weekend of the fishing derby is going on and the boats have been out each day. A few fish have been brought in and weighed, and the weather is beautiful. We are so lucky to be able to live and play in Cholla Bay, especially when we see what the weather is like in many parts of the U.S. It's also spring break for many schools, so there has been a lot of activity around the bay and Rocky Point for the past couple of weeks.

I want to make a correction on last month's article. Either I was tired of writing and made the mistake, or my writing was so bad that the editorial staff couldn't read it. At any rate, the queen was "Valentine Queen", not "Volunteer Queen". So please forgive the mistake. I'm typing this article before I give it to Dave and Kelley.

We are blessed with many friends around Cholla Bay and Rocky Point, and I want to share with them and all of you the following Items:

- Friends...they cherish each other's hopes. They are kind to each other's dreams. (Henry David Thoreau)
- I never considered a difference of opinion in politics, in religion, in philosophy, as cause for withdrawing from a friend. (Thomas Jefferson)
- Let not the grass grow on the path of friendship. (Native American Proverb)
- Men are polished, through act and speech, each by each, as pebbles are smoothed on the rolling beach. (Trowbridge)
- Some people come into our lives and quietly go. Others stay for awhile and leave footprints on our hearts and we are never the same. (Author unknown)

Until next time --- hope everyone has a good month.





Que Pala

Don Schmidli and Del Moore hosted their annual "Coach's Pro-Tour" at their casa in Cholla around the 1st week of March. Eight guys came from Phoenix to join Don and Del in their annual gettogether with golf in the bay, cards, etc.

Ken and Pat Goodin entertained their 7 year old grandson Carl while he was on spring break. He

loves Cholla and had a great time - even flew a kite at the OBSC kite contest and won a prize.

About 18 people helped Pete Peterson celebrate his birthday on February 27th the Villa Las Palmas.

Del and Sandy had a St. Patrick's day dinner on Saturday, March 16th. Good food, drinks & movie. OBSC held their annual "Get It Up" kite flying contest on March 9th. The wind had blown for about a

week before the 9th, but that day it was quite still. Eventually, around 5:30 or so the wind came up a bit and about 12 people "Got It Up". Everyone had a good time and then good hamburgers, hot dogs and all the "stuff" that goes with them.

We're sorry to hear that Nancy Schmidli will be having a hip replacement around the middle of

April. Good luck with your surgery, Nancy. We'll be thinking of you.

Sandy Moore became a First-time grandmother on February 13th. Congratulations to Sandy and to

her daughter, the new mother. You, too, grandpa Del.

We hear that Marge Abens (Las Conchas) saved a dolphin which was tangled up in a net on the beach by her house. Apparently other dolphins were watching the rescue and cheered (in dolphin language of course) when the rescue was completed and the rescued dolphin swam out to join them.

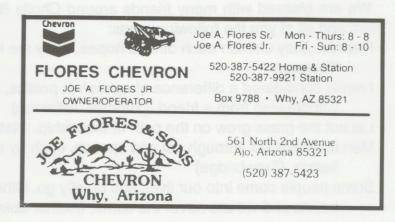
Doug Jones, Don Schmidli, Del Moore, Ken Goodin and others worked on the Amor Project in Rocky Point sometime in February, building houses for the poor. This is a very worthwhile project. They do the building about twice a year. Anyone who has doors or windows that you might wish to

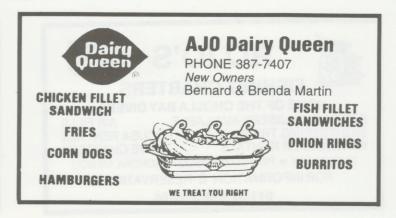
donate to this project, see Don Schmidli in Cholla or Doug Jones in Las Conchas

The Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club rummage Sale was a success. It was held at the fry shack on March 2nd. Thanks to all who worked, and those who donated. A big thanks to Del Moore, who organized the sale. Good job! The left-over items were donated to St. Vincent de Paul in Rocky Point. I hear that Del has "volunteered" to chair the event next year.



Frank Flynn shows off his 239.20lb Black Sea Bass caught aboard the "About Time".





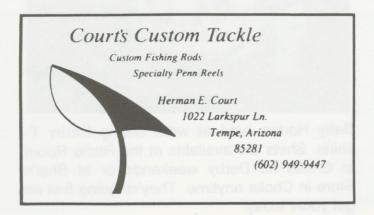
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Carol Court with a nice big Pinto

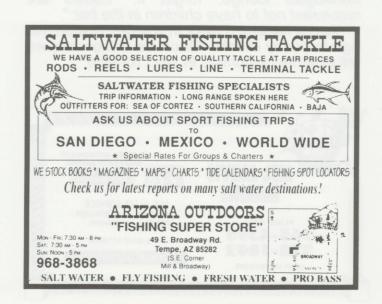




Maxine Hager with a 12.20 lb Sardinero

AUGUST CAMPOUT!

Yes, the August Campout is already underway. The Cholla Chapter will be sponsoring it this year. Jerry & Ila Ketelhut will once again be hosting this "cool" event in the pines. They have reserved the Elks campground and it will be held in early August. Look for future announcements in the Chatter as to the dates, other info, etc.



KEEP THOSE HOOKS SHARP

No matter how efficient a hook is when you buy it, it can't do its best unless its point is kept needle sharp. Carry a small honing stone to touch up the point when it gets dull. a small flat file is even better if the hook is large. Inspect the often. A bent or broken hook can cause

you to loose the best fish of the day.

Using a stone on small hooks and perhaps a jeweler's file on large ones, the bottom of the point is filed flat. Each side then is sharpened on a slant from the point to the tip of the barb. With the rounded metal thus removed a cross section of the point then would somewhat resemble a triangle with three flat sides and three sharp cutting edges. When the hook strikes home these added edges usually will drive through bone and gristle, affording much greater penetration then a rounded point would. In addition, the hook's point is less inclined to curl when it drives into tough cartilage.

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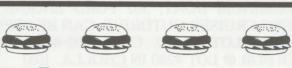
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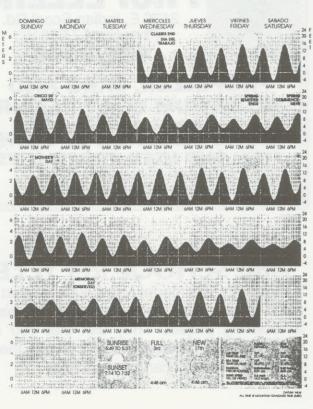
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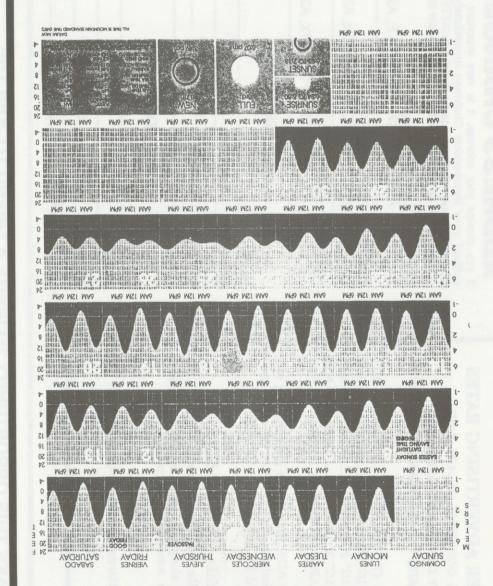
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