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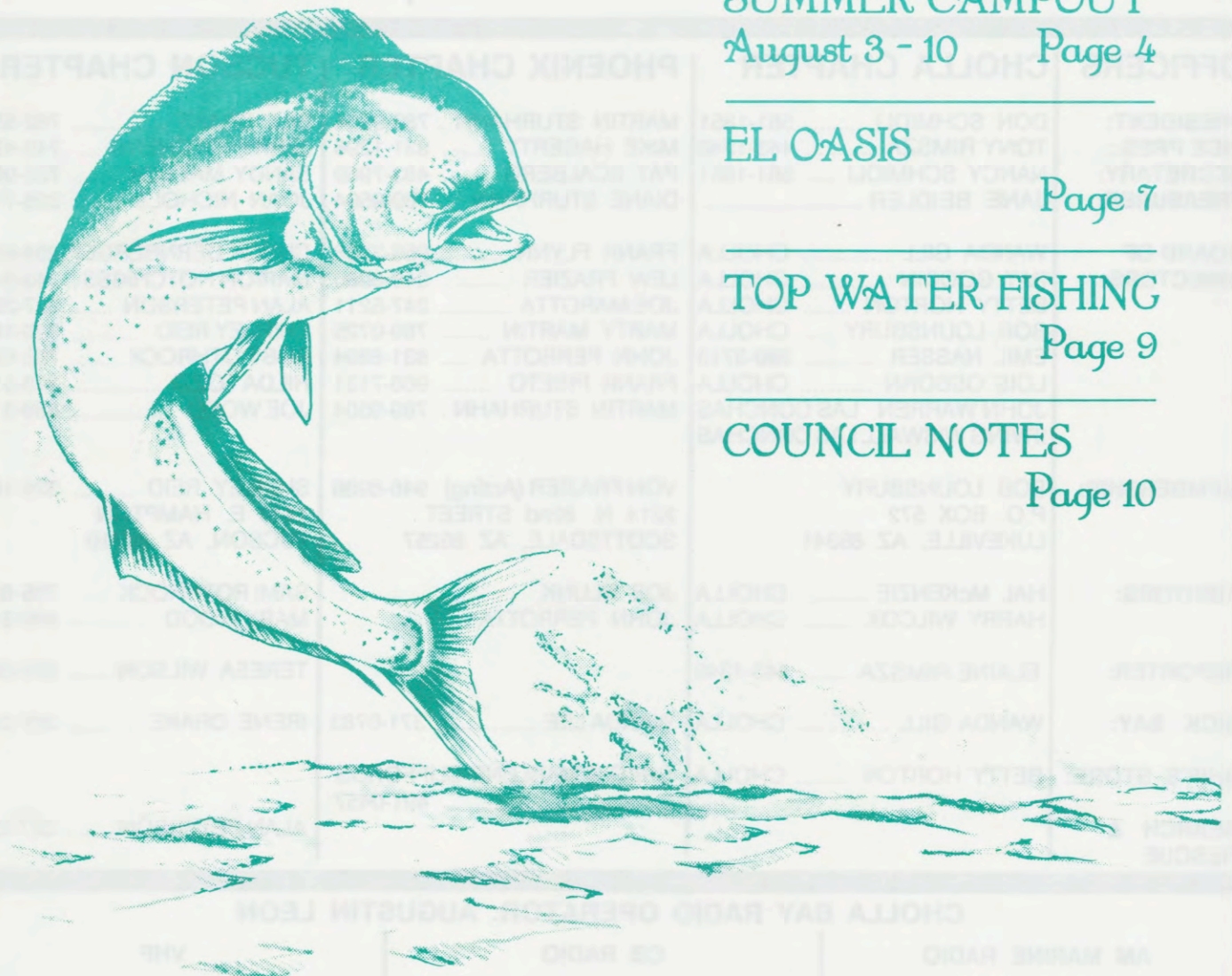
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## '94 Calendar of Events

### AUGUST

3-10 Summer Campout  
18 Chatter articles due to Editors

### SEPTEMBER

5 Labor Day Observed  
14 Phoenix Chapter Meeting  
17 JJ's Over The Line Softball  
18 Chatter articles due to Editors

### OCTOBER

7-10 JJ's final phase of fishing tourn.  
8-9 El Golfo Trip  
11 Cholla Chapter Meeting  
11 Tucson Chapter Meeting  
12 Phoenix Chapter Meeting  
15 Tucson Get-Together  
15 JJ's Bathtub Races  
18 Chatter articles due to Editors  
22 Fall Fiesta  
29 JJ's Halloween Party  
29 JJ's Jet Ski Races  
29,30 JJ's Sailboat Races  
31 Halloween

### EDITORS NOTE

Well, it's midnight as promised, and another issue is about to go to press. This month we seem to be on schedule, of course with the summers heat and no Chapter meetings, it gives us less to do. We keep asking for your input on what you would like to read about, but we receive very little input, so we must be doing okay. We receive articles from various people, but we need more, please submit something, anything. These summer issues are usually small, but we want to make them interesting.

Well, now that we bought a place in Cholla, we been down quite a bit, twice in July and we will go again for the rescheduled 2nd phase of JJ's fishing tournament (July 29-31). It seems that we are about the only insane people who go to Cholla in the dead of summer, but both times the weather has been beautiful, to windy to take the boat out - but that gave us more time to go snorkeling, shell collecting, and crabbing.

Don't miss the Summer Campout August 3 - 10th, go for a few days or stay for the whole time, either way enjoy the cool weather.

Until next issue, stay cool and have a fun summer!

*Kelley & Dave*

## Don't Miss Your Meetings!

### - CHOLLA -

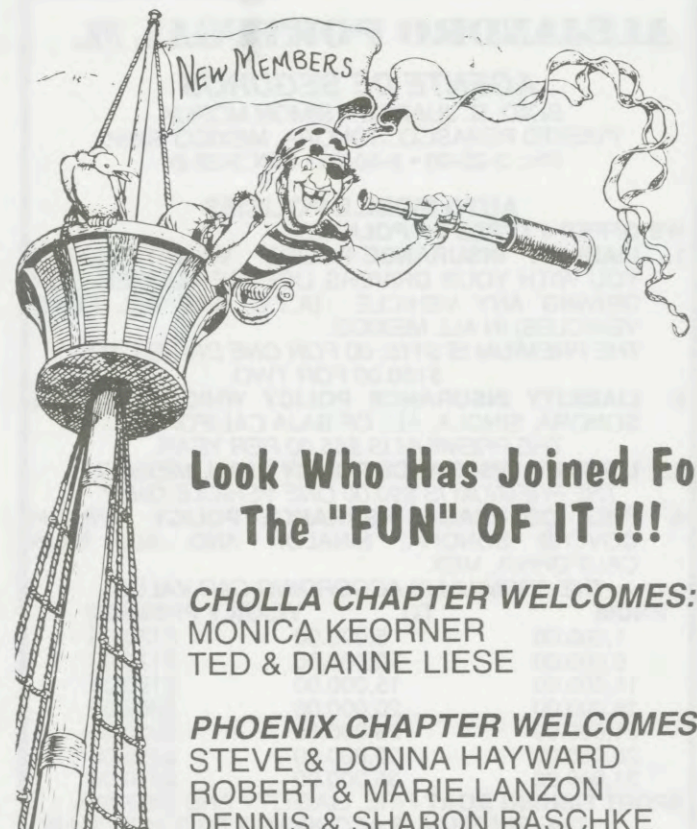
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### - TUCSON -

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October 22nd, 1994



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### BE SURE AND BE THERE

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August 3rd - 10th, 1994

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It's that time of year again for all you happy campers. The campout will be at the same site as last year, the ELKS PICNIC GROUNDS North of Pine, AZ.

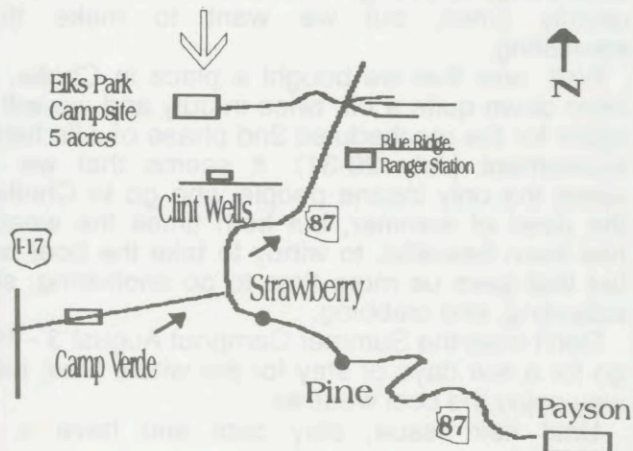
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## Letter to the Editors

Hi,

Our family was in Cholla Bay for the CBSC Fishing Derby visiting with Bob and Lisa Rimsza (Lisa is my sister). We enjoyed the wonderful hospitality of Tony and Elaine Rimsza as well. They allowed us the use of their guest cabin and Tony took my boys out fishing as well. We thought you might be able to use these photos for your "Cholla Fishing Success Stories". The boys were thrilled to catch their first fish from the ocean.

Sincerely,

Susan and Jeff Vogt  
Rochester, N.Y.



Joshua Vogt with his first Pinto 5.25lbs.



Dylan Vogt with his first Trigger fish



Josh Vogt with a 3.55lb. Trigger fish

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(*Jurel De Aleta Amarilla*)

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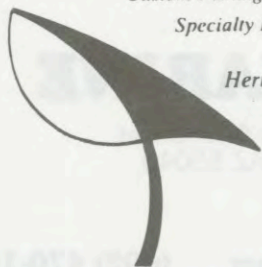


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(*Palometa Pompanito*)

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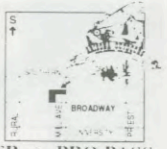
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**OCT. 8-9**



We will depart promptly at 7:30 am from the Fry Shack on Oct. 8th. Travel will be along the RR track with arrival at the beach camp south of El Gulfo about noon. We can pitch our tents or shade on the beach and drive along the beach into El Gulfo to explore the town etc. We will return to Cholla Sunday afternoon.

It is approximately 65 air miles, 75 miles by road & beach from Rocky Pt. to El Gulfo. Bring ample gas for the round trip, as sometimes the only gas station in El Gulfo runs out. Bring: camping supplies, food, drink, etc., firewood, sun screen, camera, binoculars, fishing tackle, etc.

Watch the Chatter for further info as the time gets closer. Read the book "Vanished Arizona" by Martha Summerhayes. Further info contact Dick Gardner.



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# EL OASIS

by L.H. Roh

Eleven miles from Penasco a water well had been dug. It was as close to potable water as anyone could guess. The windmill stood next to a framework made of lumber which held up a planked wooden tank much as the railroad tanks that supplied water to the steam engines on the railroad long ago. Around this area a shack was built and some tamarisk trees grew. Since the tank was not water tight it was always dripping and the trees grew fast. Thus the name El Oasis, a very welcome green spot in the desert.

A tank of sorts was installed on a truck bed and this contraption ferried water across the desert into Penasco, without it there could be no town. Water was quite expensive in Penasco. To get water to Cholla when we first moved the trailer there you had to go the seven miles into Penasco and order it and the price was \$2 a barrel. This same Oasis was also the end of the pavement before the year 1942 of 43. The rest of the way into Penasco was pure sand and high dunes. In the early days it took several hours to get from the Oasis to Penasco and every vehicle carried shovels, rugs and boards to be used to get them out of the sand. When you finally got going on that sand road you had to go like a "bat out of hell" to keep from getting stuck, but there was no traffic so it really didn't matter.

One time Ed and his buddies were coming back home and they arrived at the well. They were hot, thirsty and sun-baked, having traversed the seven miles from the Bay and the eleven miles to the Oasis. They welcomed the sight of this paradise and since no one was around, they helped themselves to the water, drinking liberally and splashing themselves with it. They heard someone call to them and looking up at the tank they saw a misshapen dwarf climbing out of the open wooden tank where he had been bathing and cooling off. He was very ugly and Grotesque as one side of his face was like a football and covered with tumors. Needless to say none of them ever drank the water again. We used to stop there to enjoy the cool off in the shade and often saw the dwarf who tended the supply of water.

When we built the boathouse in 1954 we installed a toilet, washbowl, and a shower (the shower consisted of a plastic Clorox jug with holes punched into the bottom, fastened to the end of a pipe above a drain in the floor). We had a galvanized stock tank on the roof of the boathouse for holding water. The first time we went to Penasco to order water for delivery into our tank was a historic event. I remember the cheers that greeted the truck after many hours of waiting.

To celebrate we each had a shower, but before the last person was through the water was used up. That was the end of the niceties in camp, the toilet and shower were disconnected, leaving only the wash basin in the boathouse and water to the trailer kitchen in operation. Two 50 gallon barrels were put outside the boathouse and a pail was provided so you could carry a bucket of water into the bath to use for flushing the toilet.

A few years later water service arrived and we no longer had to drive the 7 miles into town to order water. The water man always filled our two barrels which sat outside the boathouse and was used for flushing the toilet. Everyone took a bucket of water into the dark (windowless) bathroom, where the sunlight filtered through the cracks in daytime and at night a naked light bulb or flashlight gave direction.

As time went on our barrels rusted out and we had to bring down new ones. On one trip to Cholla we stopped on our way out of town to pick up two new 50 gallon drums from LeCaves Bakery. As we approached camp, the water man saw us coming and quickly filled up the barrels. The weather was hot, we were enjoying ourselves and we did not give much thought to the water barrels. About the third day we could smell a very enticing aroma. The level of water was quite low by this time and the mincemeat left in them was fermenting quite nicely. I don't know what proof it was, but the drunken flies loved it and we weren't bothered with them in our patio on that trip.



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## MEXICO MIKE NELSON TALKS

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(While this article pertains to Pto. Escondido, Oaxaca, it is just a small stretch of the imagination to think that it was written about Cholla Bay.)

Pto. Escondido, Oaxaca is a hot bed of emotion. Anyone who's been there feels passionately about it. The smart ones stay to learn about the place and themselves. Backpackers dismiss it as "too touristy" and flee to Pto. Angel, where they join a huge tribe of other gringos. They miss the point. Travel writers churn out too much copy about "getting to Escondido before it's too late." The enlightened ones know better.

As usual, I'm contrary. I consider myself an old timer, since I lived there B.S. (before the sewer). When I left town, the main street was dirt but signs of progress were already there: sewer pipes. Before long, the joyous sound of flushing would be heard throughout town.

Puerto (as it's lovers call it) will never be ruined. It will change as will we all, but it will hold onto it's character. What attracts folks is the outside, the natural beauty. What keeps them is something hidden, Escondido. Beauty fades, substance doesn't.

Most writers mention the Santa Fe Hotel. It's not because it is the only luxury hotel in town (not anymore). It's because it is a bastion of civility perched against a backdrop of raw, powerful nature. The manager, Paul Nunn Cleaver, has a presence that any good hotelier anywhere in the world would be proud to have. The Santa Fe doesn't reflect his personality: it maintains the one Paul knows it should have. It has the soul of Puerto. The Santa Fe is perched on the east end of Marinero Beach. It has a unique, Caribbean atmosphere with it's bungalows, and several buildings spread dotting a tropical garden and pool. It's hard to believe that you're in a hotel and not at some rich uncle's house.

Paul introduced us to several guest, then bravely left while one eagle-eyed journalist and beady-eyed me asked them questions about the place. They were a mixed bag, ranging from Tim - a Florida surfer, Nancy - a child of the 60's who hasn't lost the child within, to Arlyne Grazer and John Refi - who mostly bopped about the world.

John and Arlyne have come back to Puerto and Santa Fe for three years. It's tranquil. "This is the best hotel in the world". They have the sophistication, time and money to compassion shop luxury hotels worldwide. I didn't dispute them.

Tim, the surfer says P.E. is "....Hawaii without the hassle."

Nancy Beckham, from Dallas, personifies what is right about Pto. Escondido. She was a child of the 60's. She'd been to P.E.B.S. and fallen under it's spell. Hollywood's siren lured her west. She's a singer who caught the wave of fame and fortune. She was being groomed to take over for Grace Slick. The 60's were kind to her. Things change fast in the fast lane. Hollywood's beneficence turned to California cutthroat. It was hard to come back home to Texas after being a minor God in the promised land, but she did. She started a restaurant in Dallas "Brazos" and did well. She came back to Puerto to see what part of herself she had left there. This time instead of sleeping on the beach or in a hammock hotel, she was staying at the first class hotel. Instead of a backpack, she brought her daughter, Paige. Nancy hoped to share that special, inexplicable something about herself with her most special daughter who was another part of her.

Like Puerto, she'd changed over the years. Like many of us who decried the "plastic" society of our parents, she paid with plastic money.

Yet she was not more ruined than Puerto. They both had superficial changes, both were more affluent but both were just as real today as they were 20 years ago.

There's a saying in Puerto, "If you watch the sunset from Marinero Beach and see the roosters tail (the spume from a breaking wave when it fans out like a rooster's tail), it will land on your heart. You will always come back to this place.

That rooster had perched on the hearts of Paul, Arlyne, John, Nancy and myself. It would plant itself on Tim and Paige before the dawn of the next day. They would keep coming back and keep Puerto Escondido what it will be - a place where wounded hearts heal and the callused ones soften. That's not something that changed with the addition of a few hotels.

The great thing about my job is that I get to meet interesting folks. The sad thing is that I never get to know them.

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## TOP WATER FISHING HINTS

Use light tackle and troll baits for hot action

by: Steve Rothbard

As of this writing no Dorado or Sailfish have been weighed in or reported caught and released at the scales in Cholla Bay. Many people have reported sightings of finning or tailing Sailfish and of Dorado chasing bait schools but none have yet been brought to gaff.

There is nothing more fun than hooking and fighting one of these surface feeders while it jumps and runs. The show is almost always spectacular. To make this sport even more fun and exciting, "light tackle" should be used. A good rod and reel combo with smooth drags and 400-500 yards of 30-40lb. line is all you need for Sailfish. Lighter line will work just fine for most Dorado. Either spinning or conventional tackle will work, whatever you are comfortable with is best.

There are proven methods for taking these valiant fighters. One is to troll artificial baits such as: feather jigs, plastic skirt jigs or combinations, birds with multiple jigs attached or in some cases for Dorado or Tuna plugs or spoons. The other method entails trolling the aforementioned artificials until Sailfish or feeding Dorado are spotted on the surface. At this time the boat is maneuvered ahead of the feeding fish and a live bait is presented gently in front of the fishes nose in hopes it will take the bait.

If you should be lucky enough to get one of these guys to take your bait don't be afraid to set the hook hard and be sure to keep your line tight, any slack will allow him to throw the hook. Be patient and let him run. The drag, properly set will tire him out. Then hang on and enjoy the thrill and the spectacular show.

Here's wishing you good luck, and please remember to release any Sailfish that is not injured. The limit is one a day, but you can catch and release all you want. Dorado are super fun too, but the limit is 2 per day, so please conserve. When they are really biting it's hard to stop the fun.

Hot weather puts the bottom dwellers deep, so try the surface action it can be lots of fun and very rewarding in action and fillets.

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## COUNCIL NOTES

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\* The Steak Fry was very successful. This years Steak Fry was as much fun, made more money, and was just as delicious as last year. We look forward to another tasty steak dinner next year.

\* The 39th Annual Derby was another success. Although the final monetary outcome wasn't available yet, it looks like Chairman Chuck Blair and his crew did a great job.

\* The sale of the Derby T-shirts, etc. was a sellout. Everyone like this years design, and look forward to the shirts next year, the "40th".

\* Sue Kudis and her crew cooked up fish again this year at the Fish Fry. They served over 1,300 people. There was a great turnout and excellent food. Thanks to the people who donated beverages, etc.

\* Augustine, our Radio Operator was off on a 2 week vacation, we hope he enjoyed his time off.

\* Repairs were needed on the main generator, that went out at the awards ceremony. Pete said that the shaft bearing had gone bad, and is being repaired.

\* The VHF Uplink to the repeater went out and was repaired by Pete Peterson.

\* Christmas fund raisers are going well and this year looks to be another great Christmas Party for the families of Cholla.

\* Further discussion on the purchase of the property for the Fry Shack. The club has received a letter from the bank that states that we can, with proper credentials, qualify to receive a deed of trust. Many questions remain up in the air. A lively discussion on whether on not the Fry Shack property was donated by Gus Brown Sr. to the Club years ago, however no written agreement has been found thus far, we're still looking for records from the early 70's.

\* The Derby rules may need to be reviewed and updated, so we plan on getting the last 5 Derby Chairmen together to help make the necessary changes.

\* A Council Secretary is still needed, Pat Scalberg took care of the job for this meeting. There are only 2 meeting left this year.

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# Butterfly Day



by: Marion Schorberlin



I saw a butterfly today,  
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 it made the garden dance for joy,  
 the flowers, everyone...  
 it chased the winds bright, fairy lips,  
 it hovered near a tree,  
 sometimes it seemed the butterfly was  
 writing poems for me.

I saw a butterfly today,  
 a jewel shining bright,  
 it shook my world's kaleidoscope  
 with patterns of sunlight.  
 I wish the summertime would last,  
 so the butterfly could stay,  
 but I know that it is just a dream...  
 and both will fly away.

## TUCSON CHITTER CHATTER

By: Teresa Wilson

The month of July was calm and quiet for most of the volunteers of Cholla Bay. Meetings were dispensed until September, when the cry for help will be heard again for the many projects of the Bay.

Alert, Alert, Tucson CBSC chapter had a board meeting. Pot luck it was; hosted by Jerry & Sylvia Kitchens and the object was to decide if the annual Tucson get-together could be held at their spacious eastside area. The plans are set. Please enter this date onto your calendar. Oct. 15th, 1994 at Jerry Kitchens home will be the "Tucson Get Aquatinted" event. Directions and further details will be in the September Chatter. Chairpersons will be Sandy Maeser and Sylvia Kitchens. The board enjoyed the delicious home cooked food and an evening of entertainment. Anything to have a party. Right?

The weather has been a source of conversation. Inquires on the weather at Cholla have been mixed for the month of July. The reports have ranged from "It has been terrible, hot, humid, still, very still, great, had to sleep under a sheet," so, the comments went. The thing to do is get up enough nerve and see for oneself. Time is going by fast and summer will be behind us and the great weather in Cholla will prevail.

Congratulations are in order for Richard Hunzinker. Richard won an all expense paid trip to San Carlos, Mex. It was awarded through his job at the Flowing Wells Road project. Richard and a couple of co-workers will have a bachelor good time. I don't know Jeanne? Very interesting. We'll wait for the report.

The movie "Gump" has my approval. The story and acting is like an old time movie. Emotions of all kind are brought out in this movie, so you would like to see it again in case you missed something in it. What brought this up? Well, there is a saying "Gump" uses, "Life is like a box of chocolate, you never know what you will get", and so it is with our friend "Pete" Peterson. The timing of this newsletter will be after Pete's ordeal of surgery. We just want to let you know the news spread fast, Shirley and Alan (Pete). Our wishes and prayers are with you. We hope your recuperation is free of pain and you will be back and at it soon. We need you.

Well, enjoy the rest of the summer, keep cool and save a thought and a prayer for the miserable, for those who are less fortunate than you and I.

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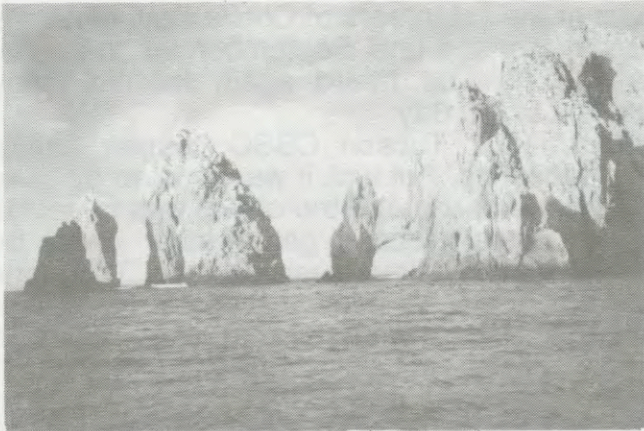
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## HOT ACTION FOR DORADO AND MARLIN AT CABO

by Dave Palmer of Fiesta Sportfishing



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Be sure your reel has a minimum capacity of 200 yards or you'll likely get spooled. Don't be surprised to see your hooked Dorado spend more time in the air than in the water. Known for their jumping ability, hooks need to be sharp and set properly or you will lose most fish during their spectacular aerial display.

Locating Dorado is fairly easy. Most of this months catches are from the Cortez side of Cabo. Effective methods include trolling, casting, strip baits and live bait. Typically surface dwellers, Dorado are generally not finicky and will hit just about any lure or bait.

Many large bull Dorado are caught on trolled Marlin lures when they crash the lures seemingly out of nowhere. Sure bets are around any floating objects, especially large logs. Dorado are lured almost magnetically to school around floating objects.

If trolling, circle around and pull your lures next to or over the object and you'll have a hook-up almost every time. The secret to catching more is to leave the first hooked Dorado in the water. That usually holds the school long enough to drop back live bait or cast a shiny lure towards the same spot.

Stick with this game plan around any floating object, especially logs, and you will have all the fishing excitement you can handle.

Several large Blue Marlin have been reported however the Striped Marlin is the name of the Marlin game. Large numbers of Striped Marlin are still holding on the Cortez side of Cabo. Many anglers are releasing as many as 4 per day. Tuna catches continue in small numbers but remain unpredictable. Be sure to plan your trips early, as fall and winter trips fill quickly! For more information on fishing Cabo or about setting up a trip look for our ad in the Chatter and give us a call at Fiesta Sportfishing.



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What an unpredictable month July is for Cholla Bay. It brings with it such a variety of weather. For certain there is humidity...and wind... but when one or the other arrives is anybody's guess. Some nights the winds have been so strong, mattresses, bodies and all have almost become airborne. Other nights not a breath of air is stirring, so the shower becomes the most popular room in the house. About five or six times a night you let the lukewarm water (nothing close to cool comes out of the tanks this time of year) soak you down and try to get back to sleep before that feeling of freshness wears off....hoping you will dream about your friends cruising the shores of Alaska, just wishing they had one day of this heat. The Rocky Point people at least have the electricity, but for us in Cholla, thank God for solar panels and fans...and lukewarm water in the shower.

The wind blew out the second phase of JJ's Angler of The Year Fishing Derby. They rescheduled for July 29, 30 & 31st. Sorry the dates won't be published on time for the Chatter, but I am sure the word will get passed around.

One thing for certain everyone says it is cooler here than Phoenix and Tucson so come on down, there is a lot more to do here...Jet Ski...Fish...Crab...Shell and just plain relax.

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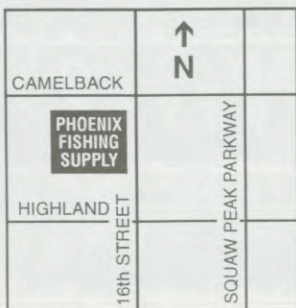
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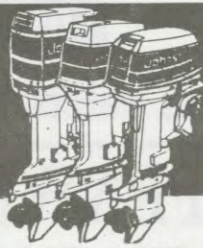


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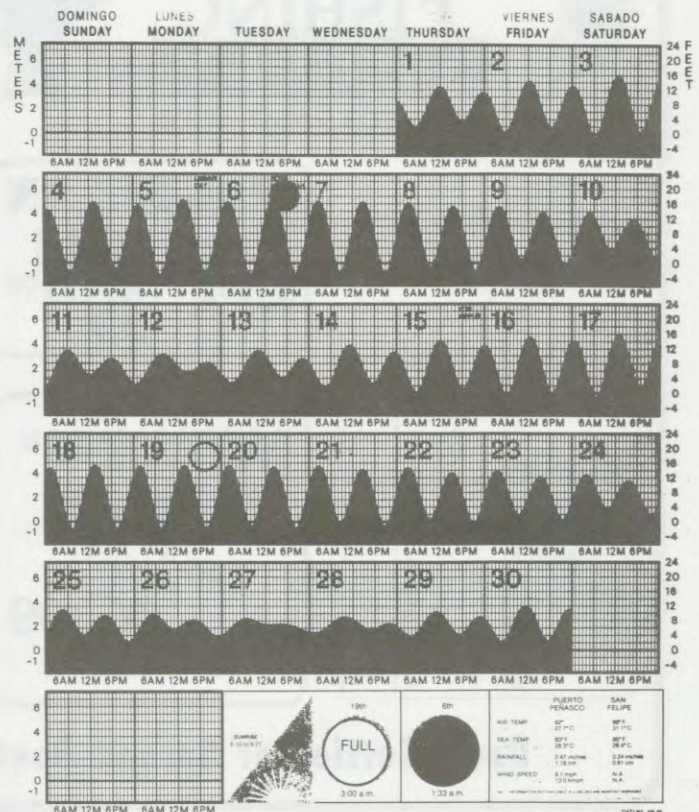
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