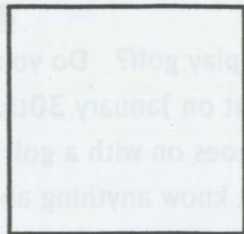


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UPCOMING EVENTS

November 14th - Beach Cleanup

November 26th - Thanksgiving Dinner Pot Luck - Turkeys provided by CBSC - See Article

December 19th - Christmas party for the Mexican children. Pot Luck in the evening.
Club will supply ham.

January 30th - CBSC Golf Tournament - Pot Luck in the evening

February 27th - CBSC - Las Vegas/game night

March 27th - CBSC - Luau

April 10th - CBSC 3rd Annual Horseshoe Tournament

FISHING DERBY DATES - See inside

2nd ANNUAL CBSC GOLF TOURNAMENT COMING UP SOON

Do you play golf? Do you want to have a great time? Then come to Rocky Point and play in the CBSC Golf Tournament on January 30th. Last year everyone had a ball! (Golf of course). There will be awards, and all that stuff that goes on with a golf tournament. I'm writing this for Mike Dugan, who is away from Cholla at this time, and I don't know anything about golf. However, those that do, really enjoy the sport. The date is JANUARY 30TH this year. In the next Chatter, you will find all the details. It will also be on the Cholla Bay website soon - watch for it at chollabayhoa.net. The proceeds from the event will go to the Montana school for the handicapped children in Rocky Point. On the evening of the 30th we will be having a pot luck at the club house in Cholla. Everyone is invited to attend. To find out more about the tournament you may also email Mike Dugan at mirh1@aol.com or call him in Cholla at 382-5237. He also has a voicemail number here in Cholla Bay where he can be reached. That number is 520-908-6016. HOPE TO SEE LOTS OF PEOPLE HERE FOR THE TOURNAMENT!



Mike came home from his golf game notably upset. When his wife asked him what was wrong, he said, "Just when I've gotten so I can really hit the ball well, I am going to have to quit playing golf." "Why is that?" his wife asked. "I can't see where the *** ball goes." "Well, why don't you take my brother with you?" says his wife. "He can watch your ball for you." "Your brother doesn't play golf!" replies Mike. "He's 102 year's old." "True", says his wife, "but he has really good eyesight." So, the next day Mike took his brother-in-law with him to play golf. He gets up to the first tee and hits a really good shot. "Did you see my ball?" he asks his brother-in-law "I hit a really good shot!" "Yeah, I saw it" says the brother-in-law. "Well, where did it go?" asks Mike. The brother-in-law's reply ----- "I can't remember."

THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER

It's time again for our CBSC Thanksgiving Dinner. The club will furnish the turkeys, and the rest will be pot luck. We would like to know if you plan to attend, and the number in your party, so that we can prepare the number of turkeys we will need, and tables, and such. So if you plan to attend, please email me (Pat Goodin at nolehacepat@yahoo.com, or you can call me at 382-5056 locally, or 575-635-4779 from where ever you are. That is a voicemail number. We would love to see you at the dinner. It doesn't matter what you bring, as we always have a good variety of food. However, if you know, that's OK too. In the past, we have had between 80 and 100 people. It's great to all get together for this holiday. If you'd like to help decorate, etc. come to the Club on Wed. afternoon as we should be there then.

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3RD ANNUAL CHOLLA CLEAN-UP DAY
NOVEMBER 14TH - 9:00 a.m.

If you want to help clean up Cholla Bay and the beach areas, come on November 14th to the club house on the 14th of November at 9:00. Trash Bags and more information will be given to you there.

Bring a hat, sunscreen, water and gloves.

THIS IS A GOOD WAY TO HELP MAKE YOUR COMMUNITY A BETTER PLACE!

SICK BAY

--Jack Straughan is in the Banner Desert Medical Center hospital at the time of this writing. If you want to send cards, you can use c/o Lolling, 605 E. Malibu Drive, Tempe 85282.

--Sid Palmer has had surgery on his leg, but is having many problems with his leg even after the surgery.

--We are so sorry to report that we have had 3 of our beloved Cholla Bay people pass away since the last Chatter:

Bill Wallace passed away on October 10th. Our sympathy goes out to his wife Julienne and other family members.

Chuck Faubion passed away on October 11th. Our sympathy goes out to his wife Gaye, their children Blake and Chad, and other family members.

Diena Belk passed away on October 26th. Our sympathy goes out to her children. She was preceded in death by her husband, Bob, 2-1/2 years ago.

RADIO CHANNEL 26

by Pat Goodin

IMPORTANT NEWS FLASH!!!

We will no longer be using Channel 26 as the channel with a repeater. Instead, we will use Channel 20.

Currently we are using Channel 9 which does not have a repeater. This will be until we get the equipment installed and get the correct licensing done for Channel 20 - we hope by the time you receive this news letter.,

But, if not, please just continue using channel 9 until 20 is ready. When installed, we will try to get emails out to those of you who are on our email list. If you don't have email or are not on our list, you can check with Villa to see if it's up and running.

Channel 20 operates under the Capitan de Puerto (The Port Captain). PLEASE DO NOT USE THIS CHANNEL TO FIND OUT WHAT SOMEONE IS PLANNING FOR DINNER, OR OTHER NON-BOATING CONVERSATIONS. If you must use the radio, contact the person, then switch to another channel.

Although we lost our equipment this past summer, the CBSC has bought the new equipment, and we feel that we did get our money's worth out of the old equipment, since it was purchased and installed in August of 1983. Thanks to your dues, we had the money to purchase the new equipment. We thank all of you for continuing to support this important service. We believe that it has been a big part in getting people in safely when they have trouble while out on the water.

LUAU

The 2010 annual luau will be held on March 27th. Plans will be underway soon. Jerry Ketelhut Jr. has said he will be cooking again. He hasn't decided on the menu, but knowing Jerry, the food will be fantastic! He did say that the hula dancer will be back. Watch for the next issue of the Cholla Chatter. Maybe we'll have more information for you at that time. Just remember the date - **March 27th**

GAME NIGHT - LAS VEGAS STYLE

by Diane Aliano

Just a few words about our 1st Annual Cholla Bay Game Night on Saturday, February 27th. We look forward to a fantastic, fun-filled evening of exciting games, culminating in a grand auction for some fabulous prizes. Dare to take a "spin" at the Wheel of Fortune, or try your luck at the ever-popular Texas Hold-Em, Five Card Stud, or Black Jack, to name a few. Play with real poker chips (provided- do not bring your own) and stack 'em up high as the sky!. You never know "whatcha" might win.

We have a good head start on preparations, so we know this will be a night to remember. At the time of this printing, we still have some positions open; a few dealers and a back-up auctioneer. In the spirit of teamwork, please call or email Diane Aliano - eriesteam@yahoo.com, local phone 383-7560 or Pat Goodin - nolehacepat@yahoo.com - local phone 382-5056. Do NOT FORGET TO MARK YOUR CALENDAR for this fabulous evening of food, fun and cocktails, then come early to get the best seats and to see who will the the "Ultimate Chip Champion".

3RD ANNUAL HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, APRIL 10th, 2010

CHOLLA CLUB HOUSE

SIGN UP - 8:00 - 10:00 A.M.

Pre-Registration will be available at
chollabayhoa.net

Tournament will begin at 10:00

Players - \$12.00 per person

Spectators - \$7.00 per person

(Price includes beer, 2 hot dogs, chips & popcorn)

1st Place Team Prize - \$300

2nd Place Team Prize - \$150

3rd Place Team Prize \$50

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Call Billie at 382-5133 in Cholla

or email: chollamidget2@yahoo.com

55th ANNUAL FISHING DERBY

WE HAVE DERBY DATES! Yes, we've got them early this year. So, here they are:

Friday, March 5th through Sunday, March 7th
 Thurs. March 18th through Sunday, March 21st
 Thursday, April 29th through Sunday, May 2nd
 Thursday, May 27th through Saturday, My 29th
 FISH FRY - Sunday, May 30th

With so many activities going on in Cholla now and avoiding Easter, these are the best dates we could find, looking at the tides, etc. Memorial weekend is usually a pretty large tide, but there's not much we can do about that.

So, get these dates down on your calendars, get your boats ready and plan to come down and fish these dates.. Bring your friends, bring your kids, even bring your non-friends if you want to! Just come and FISH!

As usual, we'll have our Ship's Store/Souvenir Shop open each day of the fishing derby, and of course we'll have our new 55th annual derby shirts. Hopefully we'll have some other new and different items as well for your shopping "pleasure".

Again, we want YOUR cooperation and would like some volunteers to help us in the 55th derby. We especially need some young, strong guys to help weigh in the large fish that will surely be brought in. If you want to help there, or Ship's Store, or the fish fry or elsewhere, please let us know.

Please call or email me (Pat Goodin) at nolehacepat@yahoo.com (local phone 382-5056) or Kelley Adams - ChoiceGraphics@gmail.com - (local phone 382-5111) and give us information as to how we can contact you.

IMAGINE - 55 YEARS!!!!

WHO ELSE CAN BRAG ABOUT THAT??

NO-ONE ELSE I KNOW - ONLY CBSC

HELP US KEEP UP THIS TRADITION!!!!

UNCLAIMED RAFFLE PRIZES

First Aid Kit - Gard - 520-696-1701
 Outrigger Rigging Kit - Kerry Jackson
 I Love Boating Flag & Float - Bob Pennington
 Hook Remover & Hooks - Pauline Shelby
 Off-Shore Fight Belt - Charles Marshall
 Storm Fish Lures & Float - D. Lolling
 1 Case of Beer at Cholla Mini-Mart - John Messer
 Hot Dog Kit - Nancy Von waeld
 \$25 Starbucks Gift Card - Pat Maob - 480-461-9516
 Multi-tool & \$15 Capones Certificate - Dave Owens
 Dark Blue Chair - Charles Marshall
 Big Knife - Tim Cooper
 \$25 Bath & Body Works Certif - Daneil 623-707-9031
 Mesh Tackle Holder - Duban - does anyone wknow who this is?
 White Pole - Bob Bradshaw
 Mesh Tackle Box - Ryan K. - 638-114-5447
 Pole Holder - Warren - 907-440-0930
 \$25 gift certif at Fox Restaurants - Chase Roosen
 Case of Beer & Top Gun Lure - Sellers - 520-529-0033
 Cloth Tackle Box - Bernard Czyprynski
 St. Paul Girl Mirror - Mike Wright
 White Cooler - Vicki Wright

These are being held at the Radio Shack in Cholla Bay. I have listed names if we have one, otherwise a phone number if we are unsure of the name. Some were hard to read, so they may be spelled incorrectly. If so, sorry. We would like to get these to you if w can. If you are coming to the Bay before June 14th, I'll be herein Cholla to retrieve them for you. Gift certificates can be mailed to you if you email us with an address. Pat Goodin

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 Cholla M-19-L1 phone 382-5056
 Vonage Phone 575-635-4779
 Nancy Schmidli - nschmidli@cox.net
 Cholla M4-L11
 Cholla Phone 382-5036

Note - The above list was as of June. So, if you have picked up, or had someone pick up your prize since then, please ignore this notice. If you know anyone on the list and you think they may not be a member of CBSC, and therefore not get this notice, please give us an email address or phone number. Thanks so much!



Let's Go Fishing! from the Launching Pad via Rosario Villa y David

This summer the Villa family, Rosario, his brother Poncho who works at J.J.'s and two other relatives and their families went to Ensenada for a 10 day vacation. That was probably a

lot of Villas and Rosario said they had a great time.

Fishing was very slow most of the summer. At one point Villa launched a total of 4 boats in a two week span.

Fortunately it is picking up now. He had 12 boats out on Sat., Oct. 5th. Also, shore fishing has been rewarding. During the summer there were a half a dozen search and rescue incidents involving running out of gas and mechanical problems.

As was reported in the last chatter, the Mexican government took the radio equipment and the repeater from the building in Rocky Point. Pete Peterson, who is responsible for the installation, up keep and repair of this equipment through the years is in the process of trying to get a repeater and equipment installed. Boaters who go out now must use channel 9, which is good about 22 miles out or you can use a cell phone, but be sure before you go to check if you can get a signal on your cell phone.

Pat Goodin and Kelley Adams checked out the scheduled events for next year and the tides and have chosen Derby Dates for next year. You will find them in another article in this chatter so you can mark them on your calendar.

Fishing is improving so get your gear and come on down and go fishing. Hope to see you here in the Bay.

Hum Bug, aka Don Schmidli



Cholla Christmas Party for our Mexican Neighbors

The Christmas party for our Mexican neighbors who live in Cholla will be held on Dec. 19th at the clubhouse in

Cholla, starting at 11:00 a.m. The Christmas party has been a tradition for over 30 years. I'm not sure when it first started, but in the late 70's and early 80's it was held on the shore at Baracho Flats in the yard at the Bock's house. Sheets of plywood were put down for the children to dance and sing with the Mexican mothers organizing and directing. Santa came in on a ponga with toys for the kids and food boxes for the families. They gave a turkey for each family and they had to bring them down the day of the party and hand them out from the bed of a pick up truck because there was no electricity and they had no place to store them. For years, Shirley Peterson was in charge. I started helping her in '91 and took charge with Sandy Moore in '95. At that time there were 3 chapters of the Cholla Bay Sportmen's Club and they sponsored the party. But due to changes in the CBSC, they

no longer sponsor the party, but do contribute the food. (We had trouble keeping the CBSC club going there for a time and now all members are in one Chapter. Due to the hard work of many members it is doing well now and hopefully will continue to have successful events.) The Christmas party has become a "community event" made possible mostly through individual donations and help from many, many wonderful and generous Cholla people. When the economy was good we decided not to give food boxes but give money instead. Now, of course, the economy is really bad and they need the money even more. Fortunately, Jim LaVoie and some of his friends have taken over the food boxes. Yeah!!! As you can tell I love doing this party. And our Mexican neighbors love it, too. Last year over 100 children attended the party. Families that live in Cholla and their extended family children receive invitations, but we take pictures of and feed any who show up. Many have their kids' and family pictures from all the years we have been taking pictures, about 15. For some this is the only photos they have from years ago.

For all this we need donations, for Santa's gifts to the younger kids, moms' gifts, the photos, etc. If you want to donate, and I hope you all will, you can donate the following toys: stuffed animals, coloring books or books in Spanish, games or puzzles; or Moms' gifts: jewelry, perfume, lotion, makeup, or the like. Please bring these to Cholla by the first of December. If you would like to donate money, and I hope many of you will, please make your check out to Nancy Schmidli and mail it to me at 10645 W. Connecticut Ave., Sun City, Az. 85351. No amount is too small. Donate and get a warm, fuzzy feeling for Christmas!

If you are in Cholla on Dec. 19th please come to the party. It is a really fun time...

Nancy Schmidli Cholla phone 382 5036 Sun City 623 444 7759 email nschmidli@cox.net.

Library News

Welcome back! The library has received lots of great new additions. Thanks to the Hagen family for the VCR tapes and storage unit. There is now a great collection of movies for all ages. We also have many new books added to the shelves.

Just a reminder for those of you who want to donate to the library. We accept books in GOOD condition. Please do not bring books with covers or pages missing or that are very dirty or have been wet. No magazines or text books please. It is my understanding that wireless internet will soon be available in the clubhouse and library. This would be a great place to use your laptop and check out our books during the cold winter months. If you would like a key to the library see me at #262 (old number) M19 L3 (new number) or call 362 5015. I will see that you get a key.

Barb Dammann

Membership News

The next Chatter will be out in January 2010 so **NOW** is the time to renew your membership for 2010.

Please take a look at your mailing label on the front of your Chatter. If it shows a 10 you are already paid up for 2010. For those of you with a 09 after your name please send in your \$40 check for membership for 2010.

You do not need to fill out the membership form below unless you have new address information-just send me a check for \$40 made out to CBSC. Send it to:

Gerry Nelson,
P.O. Box 1320
Lukeville, AZ. 85341.

See you at the Bay.

Regards,

Gerry Nelson, Membership Chairman, CBSC.
nelsonengr@cox.net



Membership Application

Annual Dues \$ 40

Membership dues and other activities of the Colla Bay Sportsmen's Club funded the purchase of radio equipment and supports the maintenance and operation of the Marine VHF Radio (channels 16 & 26) for the Northern Sea of Cortez & CB radio (channel 3) in the Cholla Bay area. The CBSC pays the salary of the radio operator, assists in search and rescue operations and, when necessary, can assist with some arrangements for transportation of critically ill or injured. The CBSC conducts the annual fishing derby, publishes a monthly newsletter and promotes good relations between American visitors and our Mexican neighbors.

Name _____ Spouse _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ ZIP _____ Phone _____ Cabin # _____

Email _____

Make your check out to CBSC and mail to Gerry Nelson, P.O. Box 1320, Lukeville, Az. 85341