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THE NEXT EXCITING EVENT - LAS VEGAS STYLE GAME NIGHT - MARCH 28th
GET IT ON YOUR CALENDAR AND PLAN TO BE THERE!!
THEN COMES THE HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT ON APRIL 18th
LOOK INSIDE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION!





AND ...
THE
60th
ANNUAL
FISHING DERBY!



FISHING DERBY
April 9, 10, 11, 12
May 7, 8, 9, 10
May 21, 22, 23
Fish Fry - May 24



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A HIGH TIDE
BY THE SCALES
AT THE LAUNCH
RAMP IN CHOLLA











Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club *DIAMOND JIM JUBILEE* CASINO/GAME NIGHT

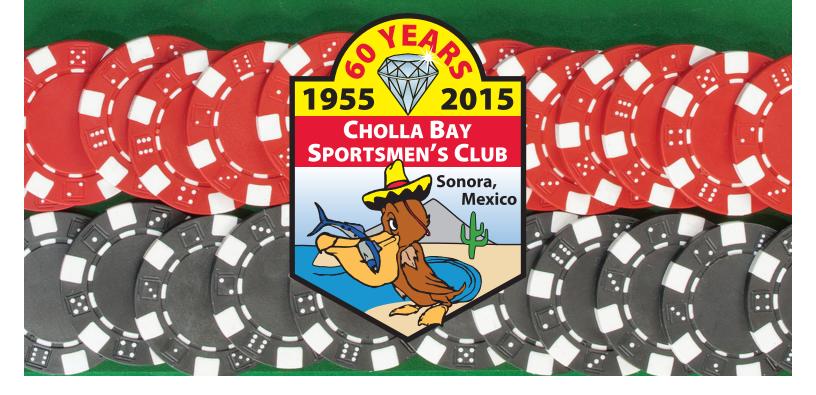
SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2015 • 7:00 PM

\$20 PER PERSON
INCLUDES "CHOLLA PLAYING CHIPS"
BOOZE, & LIGHT SNACKS

CHOLLA BAY CLUB HOUSE ~ CHOLLA BAY, SONORA, MEXICO

LAS VEGAS GAMES OPEN TO ALL.
BLACK JACK, LEFT-RIGHT-CENTER, TEXAS HOLD-EM,
CHOLLA-STYLE WHEEL OF FORTUNE.

"CHOLLA CHIPS" ARE USED TO TRY YOUR LUCK ON THE GAMES.
YOUR WINNINGS CAN BE USED DURING THE AUCTIONS FOR GREAT PRIZES!





Let's Go Fishing, from the Launching Pad, via Rosario Villa:

JJ's fishing derby, held the weekend of Feb. 21st, has come and gone and unfortunately the weather was better than the fishing. Only 10 and 12 lb. corvinas were brought in. Search and rescue was busy this month with tree incidents. All had run out of gas. Jim Combs' boat ran out of gas while towing in an "out of gas" ponga. Another ponga had to tow in both "out of gas" boats.

Villa was sick during this derby and had to go to the clinic to get flu shots. He was able to work, however. Villa says, "The weather is great, the fishing is sure to improve, so come on down. Let's go fishing!"

Humbug, aka Don Schmidli

Sick Bay

Bruce Tegge fell while skiing and fractured his clavicle in two places and broke four ribs. On 2/17 he went in for surgery to have a plate put on the clavicle. He came right home from having this done and is doing great. He actually had more pain from the broken ribs. Cards, comical if possible, can be sent to him at 705 W. Pine Knoll Dr., Prescott, AZ 86303.

Adriana Adam's brother, Francis Quintana, passed away in Jan. due to a heart attack, in their family's home town of Taos, N.M. The family called Adriana to tell her of the attack, but she was unable to get there before he passed, however, a good thing, there was, of course, a gathering of her large family with whom she enjoyed visiting. Cards may be sent to Adriana at P.O. Box 216, Lukeville, AZ 85341.

Lee Weaver's brother-in-law, Boyd Wilson, who lived in Utah, passed away recently after battling lung cancer for over a year. Our sympathies to Lee, Tammy and their family.

Mary Ann Oren is still in rehab but will soon be moved to a care center, where she will continue to receive therapy. She is able to talk slowly and be understood, she walks with a walker and she is able to swallow about 30% of her food, although she still has a feeding tube in her stomach. She is able to play some cards with Bob. Yeah! So she is improving, slowly and has a ways to go yet. Please keep sending those prayers for her full recovery, soon.

!!!!! GATHER ALL TREASURES!!!!!

For the Cholla Charity Rummage Sale

Clean out those garages, kitchen cabinets and closets! Cholla Charities needs your treasures for the annual rummage sale, March 21st at the Cholla Bay Clubhouse. All proceeds go to support our local families with emergencies. The clubhouse will be open to receive your donations on Friday, March 20th from 8:00am to 1:00pm and on Saturday, March 21st at 6:00am. If you will not be in Cholla on these days and want to donate items, please bring them to Nancy Schmidli, call her at 382 5036, or Kinta Heath, 382 5267, for one of us to take your donations.

THE SALE WILL BEGIN AT 8:00AM ON SATURDAY, MARCH 21st.

Thank you for your continued support.



HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2015

Sign up from 8-9:30 am / Tournament begins at 9:30 am

EVERYONE WELCOME!

PORTION OF THE PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE RED CROSS

CHOLLA BAY

\$PORT\$MEN'\$ CLUB

T-Shirts

Raffle Prizes

Jello Shots

BEER



Players - \$20

Spectators - \$10

Kids - \$5 5 & under FREE

Price includes **BEER**, soda, hot dogs, **BEER**, chips, popcorn & **BEER**!

1st Place \$200 / 2nd Place \$100 / 3rd Place \$50 ALL FEMALE TEAMS: 1st Place \$100 / 2nd Place \$50

Located at the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club (across from the park) in Cholla Bay (Rocky Point) Mexico. For more information or Sponsorship opportunities, contact Billie or Tammy at ChollaCBSC@gmail.com.

Join us after the tournament at the Pirate & Mermaid Extravaganza New Orleans Cajun Party at Bandito's Live music by the Bayou Brothers. Put on by the Mermaid's Market. Info 638-388-5004

Check us out on Facebook at "CBSC Horseshoe Tournament". "Like" our page and keep checking the page for more information as the tournament gets closer!

2015 CBSC 7th Annual Golf Tournament at Mayan Palace

Six teams enjoyed a cool Valentine's day of Golf:



FIRST PLACE
Team 6
Robbie Romero
Shawn (Bubba) Leigh
Grant Watkins
Nick Leigh



SECOND PLACE
Team 4
Steve Watters
Ken Sweet
Chuck Blair



THIRD PLACE
Team 5
Frank Romero
Wayne Wanamaker
Joe Bullock
Chris Woodrow



Longest DriveSue Deming



Team 1 Tony Romero Judy Romero Rudy Romero



Team 2 Mike Dugan Vickie Wright Mike Wright Dail Hoskins



Team 3
Rick Deming
Sue Deming
Pamela Lottes
George Stavros

Closest to the Pin Winners:

Hole 4. Ken Sweet Hole 6. Tony Romero Hole 14. Ken Sweet Hole 17. Grant Watkins

The Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club is celebrating it's 60th birthday and the 60th Annual Fishing Derby this year. We are trying to get more of the community involved and let them know what the CBSC is all about. Please invite a firiend or neighbor or a newcomer to town to join.

As a way to give back to the people who have kept the Club alive by supporting us with membership and involvement for the past 60 years. We have 3 raffles going on;

- 1 Quilt Raffles 3 Handmade Quilts with previous shirts from the CBSC Fishing Derbies. Open to everyone 3 separate drawings.
- 2 Golden Raffle 3 Cash prizes (\$1000, \$500, and \$250 USD) Open to everyone.
- 3 Diamond Raffle A Yamaha Rhino Open to members only.

2015 Calender of CBSC Events:

March 28 - Diamond Jim Jubilee Casino/Game Night

April 9 - April 12 - 60th Annual Fishing Derby - Phase 1

April 18 - 8th Annual Horseshoe Tournament

May 7 - May 10 - 60th Annual Fishing Derby - Phase 2

May 21 - May 23 - 60th Annual Fishing Derby - Phase 3

May 24, 2015 - 60th Annual Fishing Derby Awards & Fish Fry

For more info please visit our **Facebook page: Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club** or email: **ChollaCBSC@gmail.com**



SEE IF YOUR NAME IS HERE!!

THESE ARE PEOPLE WHO WON PRIZES AT LAST YEAR'S FISH FRY RAFFLE

We have tried various times to contact you, without success, so look for your name, and if here, let us know what to do with your prize. You can call Pat Goodin 382-5056 in Cholla or 575-635-4779 (Vonage), or call Kelley Adams - 382-5111 in Cholla or 480-345-0623 (Vonage) and let us know what to do with them. If we don't hear from you in a month, we will put them in the drawing for the coming year.

Sylvia Rico - coffee basket

Charlie LaClair - purple beach towel

Bradford - angler's multi-tool

Sammi Tillery - ultra high performance cooler

George Glerup - Cabela blue utility bag

Steven Holt - Xochitl's breakfast for 2

John Hornick - pocket hose

Deane and Darlene Fisher - Okuma Diezel rod & reel

Terry Yoakum - woven basket with Carlsen's vodka and flask

SHIP'S STORE

WE HAVE LOTS OF GREAT "STUFF" IN SHIP'S STORE, SO STOP BY AND LOOK IF YOU'RE HERE ON A WEEKEND. IF NOT OPEN, CALL PAT 382-5056, BILLIE 382-5133 OR NANCY 382-5036 - TRY TO CONTACT ONE OF US AND WE CAN MEET YOU THERE. STILL HAVE TIDE CALENDARS, T'S, SWEATS AND 60th ANNIVERSARY SHIRTS. WE'LL SOON HAVE NEW DERBY SHIRTS. We also have a lot of Miscellaneous stuff like sippy wine glasses, coozies, jewelry, etc.

60th ANNUAL FISHING DERBY

If you are a fisherperson, be sure to mark these dates on your calendar:

April 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th

May 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th

May 21st, 22nd and 23rd

Fish Fry and awards - MAY 24TH

YOU CAN'T MISS THIS 60th ANNUAL FISHING DERBY!! GET THOSE
BOATS READY AND BE PREPARED TO BE HERE ON APRIL 8th TO REGISTER SO YOU CAN GET
OUT IN THE WATER EARLY ON THE 9th.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Be sure to pay your CBSC dues for 2015. You will get a free entry into the drawing for the Rhino, which will be given away at the fish fry on May 24th. YOU MUST BE A MEMBER, AND YOU MUST BE AT THE FISH FRY TO WIN THIS. PLAN ON BEING IN CHOLLA and hope your ticket will be drawn. Of course, we are all hoping our ticket will be drawn, and there is only one winner for that. Don't forget to buy your GOLDEN TICKET, and you don't have to be here for those cash drawings. See more info on another page, regarding these tickets.

This article is from the "Cholla Chatter Annual Derby Issue June 1964"

OUR YESTER-YEARS

By BOB TAYLOR

Stories have been told to me of taking two days from Sonoita to Bahia de Chova due to the sandy road. That was before my time as the paved road was completed before my first trip to Cholla in 1945. Ben Brewer and I started for Cholla Bay on Saturday. No trouble until we left the highway, but those that remember the road from the railroad tracks know what I mean. We had been told there was plenty of wood so the next morning we broke up some ocotillo and fried our breakfast over gasoline soaked green Ocotillo. We later caught all the fish we could carry back, right in front of where Willis Fredlund now lives; the old grass sided house still stands, the only man built place at that time. The arroyos ran from the hills in back, down into the Bay.

To our many new members who enjoy our little Cholla Chatter, our shipto-shore radio telephone, our Insurance, and many other items that go to help us stay together for our mutual assistance and satisfaction—you should have a thumb-nail sketch of our past history.

Al Scott, our first president, had 22 members at his first official meeting. He can tell you their names but I don't remember them all. That was in October 1955. Mr. Scott informed us that we needed an organization to not only assist us in our endeavors to fish at Cholla, but to give, in return, something to ur Mexican friends. This has been our motto over the years.

The "Road": that was our first aim and we fixed it to where our boats and trailers could come and go. Someday it will be paved but in those times we wanted to get from the railroad to the Bay without spending the night digging out.

The fisherman who had the assignment to write our first bylaws did, became our next president, **Oakley Jordan**. Oakley did lots of things: passed on our tradition of the Derby; he organized the Penasco's children's polio shot drive and again, the "Road"! We secured a grader; it worked, sometimes, and then, too, we de-rocked the boat launching area. This was the 1957-1958 fiscal year.



Our next president was **Bill Hammer.** our present Chairman of the Cholla Bay Council. Bill has a very good friend and scriber, Wee Willy Valentine, the cotten headed sail-fisher. They, together, conceived of probably the one idea that has held our Club together over the years — our Cholla Chatter, Volume 1, No. 1 and No. 2 are a masterpiece. I would say it's written by Bill Valentine, as it only speaks of Sailfish, Dolphin and our next meeting on June 24th at the Edison School Auditorium.

In 1959-1960, we picked up one of our steadiest and best thinking members and advisers, Paul Schoonover. Paul continued the "Road", the Magazine, the Derby, but he also realized that these things were bringing many people to our adopted shores and, too, they were inexperienced! Paul suggested a Ship-to-Shore radio and started the ball rolling. Donations were slow, but they came in. That year a flood came to the Mexican Gulf and Paul asked Marge Claver to help and she collected enough clothes to cover every child in Puerto Penasco.

Old Gabby Bill Blair, one of the greatest in our Club and as always, a stand-by, was our President in 1960-1961. Paul had started our thinking toward our radio and it took Bill to firm it up. We bought and paid for our radio, rented our radio shack and hired a full time operator. That was a great forward step; also we had the "Road", the Derby, the Cholla Chatter and a new club house floor.

Next came our ditch digger, **Eddie Smith**, in 1961-1962. If you don't think that piano playing, grouper catching, husband of Janie's didn't work hard, you are crazy! Eddie, the past Chamber of Commerce head of Tempe, liked to



get things done. He got our Group Insurance started; then Wesley Douglas firmed up our lease on the Radio Shack. Eddie started our checking In and Out system and he also had the "Road," the Cholla Chatter, the Derby and Spanish classes.

In 1962-1963 our past president, Al Scott, again got the urge. Our Club is composed of members who are fishermen at heart and next they want to help our Club. Al Scott, our founder, is that sort of a guy. He never shirked at the hardest task; and never turned down a job. Al built up our Derby equipment, carried on our Derby, the "Road," the Cholla Chatter, the Insurance and the Radio.

Next was **Bob Taylor** in 1963 to 1964. We were blessed with many fine people who have caused our Club to expand. The Board of Directors, recognizing our need for a more stable organization, requested a new Constitution and By-Laws. We changed to a calendar year accounting and with a dual husband and wife dues system have increased our membership. Then, too, there was the "Road," the Cholla Chatter, the Insurance and the Radio.

In 1964 our Council was formed with representation from Phoenix and Tucson to coordinate these two chapters and any other community that can qualify for representation.

We now encourage expansion and our two Presidents, **Deane Fisher** and **Wayne Early** have their hands full promoting their chapters' needs. Our Council Chairman, **Bill Hammer**, is in command of the mutual needs of both clubs.

This organization is a far cry from the 22 original members who started back in 1955. We are growing right along with Arizona and Mexico.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Hey Gang!

Howzit Going!? © Time's a flyin' @our casa...it's crazy! Thank you so much to Pat Champion for sending me that sweet potato recipe. I haven't tried it yet, but I WAS IN FACT talking about <u>your</u> savory version and am excited to make it! ©

We'll be drawing the winning ticket for the first T-Shirt Quilt at Game Night. All proceeds benefit the Cholla Charities Fund! Please help support this most excellent charity. Look for the details on the Quilt Raffle page, cut the tickets out, write your check for \$20 and MAIL IT ALL TO ME! © You know, speaking of Game Night.. I think that everyone should really DRESS UP for this most auspicious Diamond Jim Jubilee Celebration!! Who says you can't wear a party dress at a beach clubhouse?! Who's with me?! Lois?! I'm so excited for this event and it's definitely my favorite one of the year. I'll be working at the door this year so I'm looking forward to matching a name with everyone's face!!

As of today, we have received only 94 renewals for 2015. Please get your renewal in NOW!! We will stop sending The Chatter to noncurrent members and you don't want to miss out plus we need your support! Please join me welcoming SEVERAL new members this month! Peg & Steve Watters, Lylia & Michael Hagerty, Vicki Allison & Scot Cummins, Brad Moen, Karen Eddy, Mary Davila & Scott Cole, Dawn & Tim Rickert and Jean Matthews!!! Most of these new members earned their friend a free Golden Ticket by signing up! Because we'd love to see our 60th Anniversary year bring double the membership, I'm offering a FREE GOLDEN TICKET entry to anyone whose name appears at the top of a new membership form! Golden Tickets are good for a CASH PRIZE drawing to be held at our 60th Anniversary Fish Fry in May!

If you're on Facebook, please go to our "Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club" fan page – we have 367 likes now! Please share your own stories and pictures on the page for others to enjoy! The email address for the club is chollacbsc@gmail.com which you can use to contact any one of us on the board. If you'd like to receive your Chatter by email in FULL COLOR, drop me a line to let me know – It's Nifty! Annual membership is \$40; checks should be made payable to CBSC and mailed as noted below.

Later Alligators!

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Later Military Sportsmen's Club" fan page – we have 367 likes now! Please share your own stories and pictures on the page for others to enjoy! The email address for the club is chollacbsc@gmail.com which you can use to contact any one of us on the board. If you'd like to receive your Chatter by email in FULL COLOR, drop me a line to let me know – It's Nifty! Annual membership is \$40; checks should be made payable to CBSC and mailed as noted below.



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 28**) 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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