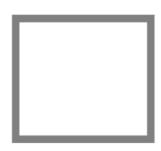
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## 2016 Fishing Derby Recap

The marquee annual event of the Cholla Bay Sportsman's Club sixty one year history has been the Fish Fry and Awards Ceremony for the CBSC Fishing Derby. What part of 'free' don't people like.....not a thing! A good time was had by all in attendance as the temperatures were pleasant, the beer and margaritas cold and the food tasted great. Hats off again to the Rio Rico fish fry crew and Vasquez Liquor for making such a unique and enjoyable event happen year after year after year. The pulling together of several different groups of volunteers from the weigh station/boat launch, Ship's Store/T-shirts, Fish Fry, prizes, raffles, and sponsors as a team should make us all proud. Even though we can get a little testy with each other now and then, the end product is worth it. We all know that no one can cut our pay. They may want to let us go but they have to find another volunteer to take our place if they do. Rosario Villa and the Cholla Bay Mexican community do a great deal to assist the derby project. I can't imagine the chaos that would prevail at the boat launch without Villa sorting out the sport fishing boats and Mexican commercial fishing pongas. Commercial over fishing remains the greatest threat to the continued success of the fishing derby. Most of the time, when you have a problem in Cholla, local Mexicans have the solution or they will find out who can help.

Windy weather affected some fishing days but quality fish were still caught. Outstanding Pinto and Sardinero catches were made by anglers on the boat Chivo Viejo and the McFarlands (Craig&Tim) were neck and neck on their boat El Patron for the 'Adult All Around Angler' award won by Tim McFarland. Weekend target fish winners of rod/reel combos were Craig McFarland (Gulf Grouper), Pepe Rodriguez (Pinto) and Shaun Zark (6 yr old terminator of Finescale Triggerfish).

Years ago women weren't even allowed on fishing boats. Now they are taking over fishing craft just like everything else and demanding the prime spots on the boat to fish from as well. Next thing you know, they'll want to be Captain. The outstanding female fisherperson for this derby and leader of the JUG's (Just Us Girls) boat was Lynn Altfillisch with two big Pintos (43 & 42 lbs) and the first place Leopard Grouper (20 lbs). Maybe she'll teach hubby Jeffrey and some of us other guys how to do it before next year's derby. The 'Junior All Around Angler' Award went to Aden Hamblen aboard the boat named Jump Start for the second consecutive year. Aden won several categories of fish including Shark and Flounder and was awarded a Penn combo rod and reel for his efforts. Hopefully he will jump start his adult fishing buddies abilities to woo fish as they have to be tired of watching him catch most of the fish. We need to bring in some junior anglers to give Aden some competition because he's got four or five years before he's fifteen. Folks at the Fish Fry really seemed to enjoy the Junior Awards segment a great deal so let's get these kids off their phones and on the water to teach them how to make it happen rather than watch it happen. Hopefully we can do this derby thing again next year.

'Lucky Chucky' aka Chuck Blair

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ADULT	1st	2nd	3rd
Calico	Jeffrey Altfillisch 5.3	Kim Johns 3.9	Bud Hamblen 2.5
Cochi	Debbie Blamey 4.8	Jill Connely 4.6	Dave Heath 4.5
	Bill Gallagher 4.8		
	Kinta Heath 4.8		
	Holly Martin 4.8		
Grouper	Craig McFarland 69.5	Mitch Callahan 62.5	Scott Truitt 57.7
Mackerel	Chuck Hemmerlin 4.3	Tim McFarland 4.2	Nick Bolstad 3.9
Pinto	Pepe Rodriguez 45.9	Lynn Altfillisch 42.8	Dewey Ray 13.0
Red Snapper	Jeffrey Altfillisch 11.3	Tim McFarland 4.7	Craig McFarland 4.0
Sardinero	Lynn Altfillisch 19.6	Pepe Rodriguez 17.8	Kim Johns 16.5
Sea Trout	Patrick Nilz 6.1	JB Baird 2.0	
Skipjack	Tim McFarland 6.6	Craig McFarland 5.8	
White Sea Bass	Tim McFarland 15.6	Craig McFarland 14.4	
Yellowtail	Dave Heath 6.5	Kinta Heath 2.7	Bill Gallagher 2.3
JUNIOR Calico	Aden Hamblen 2.8		
Cochi	Shaun Zarn 5.9	Ashley Rogers 4.2	Spencer Byrne 4.0
Flounder	Aden Hamblen 2.8	/ //Silicy Rogers 4.2	Opencer Byrne 4.0
Grouper	Domonic Mangino 9.2		
Mackerel	Marissa Mangino 1.8	Ashley Rogers 1.7	Domonic Mangino 1.4
Pompano	Aden Hamblen 1.0	/ termey regers in	
Red Snapper	Aden Hamblen 1.3		
Sardinero	Spencer Byrne 18.1		
Sea Trout	Aden Hamblen 3.0		
Shark	Aden Hamblen 7,6		
Misc (Sand Bass)	Aden Hamblen 2.0	Ashley Rogers 1.7	Domonic Mangino 1.3
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OFFSHORE AD	ULT		
Cochi	Nico Ramirez 1.55	Carissa Camacho 1.45	Kyle Blair 1.3
Flounder	Kyle Blair 2.5	Lisa Xiong 1.25	Adrian Rosen 1.15
Pompano	Cameron Cottrell 2.2	Roger Franze 1.2 Kyle Blair 1.2	Jeremiah Lindsay 1.0 Nicolas Coffelt 1.0
OFFSHORE JUNIOR			
Cochi	Carlos Camacho 1.2		
	Luis Camacho 1.2		
Flounder	Aden Hamblen 0.65		
Pompano	Jack Kristof 0.9	Aden Hamblen 0.7	
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#### **Obits and Sick Bay: Summer - 2016**

Agnes Felton passed away May 12th, peacefully but very unexpectedly, in her sleep at home in Apache Junction. She and Lew, her husband, have been long time Cholla home owners and very active in all the organizations and helped with many events in Cholla for many years. She was also past president of the OBSC and served on the Cholla Charity board. She will be greatly missed! A memorial service will be held in Cholla in her honor sometime in the fall. She was a dog lover and donations in her honor can be made to Barb's Dog Rescue in Rocky Point by going to www.barbsdogrescuerp.com to donate or, of course can be dropped off there in person.

Please send cards to Lew at 480 S. Silver Dr., Apache Junction, AZ 85120.

Jose Pallavicini, a long time cholla home owner, passed away on May 20th after making the decision to cease his dialysis treatments. He was a member of the Power Squadron and he and his wife Janet had many good friends in Cholla.

Prayers and cards may be sent to Janet and family at 20419 N. Shadow Mtn. Dr., Surprise, AZ 85374.

Clarence Wilson passed away peacefully on April 24th. Many of you will remember Clarence and Teri, long time and old time Chollans. They were very instrumental in the original building of the church in Cholla. Teri was Mrs. Santa for the CBSC Christmas party for years. They were very active in the community and such lovely and joyful people. I know many in Cholla who knew them have missed them and wondered about Clarence. I do not have an address for cards.

I'm happy to report that Jay Verhagen, who had surgery in late April following an accident at work, was at the Fish Fry and is doing well.

Billie Crumbley is still recuperating from her surgery on April 11th. She and Mike are now at their home in Show Low where she is trying to "take it easy" until she is fully healed. They will be hosting the "Cholla in the Pines" picnic on Saturday, August 13th at their home in Show Low. See page 11 in this Chatter for more information.

Tim Boettcher missed the Fishing Derby and Fish Fry, and we missed him, this year for the 1st time in many years due to having an operation on his carotid artery. He will have another operation on the other carotid artery sometime soon.

Please send prayers and cards to him at 43631 W Sparks Court, Maricopa, AZ 85138

#### ..Tale from the porch

There was a search and rescue operation on Saturday during the May 12th-15th CBSC Derby that was a throwback to the old days of Cholla Bay. By that I mean people having fun with a watercraft found their watercraft left high and dry by the tricky tides of the northern Sea of Cortez. A small water pumper ski boat got trapped by the outgoing tide well up in the Bay that afternoon. That dilemma fascinated the ladies of the Ship's Store porch to no end. They were present to support the Derby and be spectators for the boat launch goings on. What to do? What to do? With binoculars in hand, the women speculated and pontificated about many possible causes and solutions including alcohol might have been involved and why men were MIA when they were really needed. An amphibious vehicle was dispatched across the Bay toward the stranded craft with eight balloon tires and four axles churning up the shallow sea but it was ponderously slow and had little chance of saving the mud bound boat. The men present on the porch chuckled and suggested waiting until the tide came back. They were both chastised and lectured that it would be dark then. Their response was "no problem...rescues are always easier in the dark." The ladies of the porch rolled their eyes. Eventually six or seven young bucks hoisted the small craft upward and while struggling and straining, carried it to the water. Mission accomplished. The ladies of the porch rejoiced. The only thing that would have made the rescue better for the ladies was them being able to tell the guys out in the Bay how to do it!

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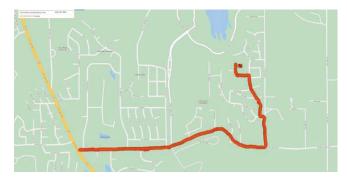
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#### MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Hey Gang!

Wasn't the weather **ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL** for the 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Fish Fry weekend!? I had expected it to be hot and was certainly pleased that it turned out to be so lovely. (I do wish that it would stay that way over the summer so we could stay <u>put</u> down there year-round!) I didn't get in the water as I still find it too chilly until October when it's nice and heated from the sun, but the young people at our house spent much of the weekend down at Tucson Beach enjoying the sand and sun. I think they even got some snorkeling in! Me personally, depending on what time of day it is, I like *looking* at the water with a Bloody Mary, Margarita or a glass of wine in my hand! ©

I'd like to welcome some more new members this month! Holly & Stan Ingram and June & Bill Moody! Welcome, welcome, welcome!! We're so excited to have you and thank you very much for your support! As of today, we have 193 members paid up for 2016. Renewals came in pretty slowly this year and since The Chatter is only sent to current members, I know that some of you are missing some! If you need one in particular, let me know and I'll shoot it off in an email!

If you're on Facebook, please go to our "Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club" fan page – we have 614 likes now! You can share your own stories & pictures on the page for others to enjoy. You'll also find information on our current events there. The email address for the club is <a href="mailto:chollacbsc@gmail.com">chollacbsc@gmail.com</a> 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! A couple of months ago, I actually had to remove a handful of people from the email list due to repeated returned email advising invalid address and/or storage full/over-capacity errors. Let me know if you used to get The Chatter by email and want to again. Annual membership is \$40; with checks made payable to CBSC & mailed to PO Box 398, Cortaro, AZ 85652.

Later Alligators!



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