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**MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A VERY WONDERFUL NEW YEAR
TO ALL FROM CHOLLA BAY SPORTSMEN'S CLUB**

**IT'S GOING TO GET EXCITING
SEE WHAT'S COMING UP!!**

January 19, 2013 - CBSC Golf Tournament - join OBSC in the evening for their Winterfest. See poster inside for more info.

February 2, 2013 - Game Night

April 6, 2013 - Horseshoe Tournament

**PUT THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR
YOU GOTTA BE THERE!!!**

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Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club

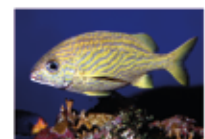
FISHING DERBY

Tentative Dates
(Pending approvals from Mexican
Agencies)

March 15, 16, 17
April 11, 12, 13, 14
May 3, 4, 5
May 23, 24, 25

ANNUAL FISH FRY

May 26th



Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club

Date: January 19, 2013

Place: Las Palomas
Golf Course

8:30am Sign in
9:00am Shotgun Start

This year's tournament will be a TWO MAN SCRAMBLE. Doesn't matter what your handicap is, you could win!! Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place, Closest to Hole and Longest Drive.

5th Annual Golf Tournament

19th Hole for \$100

Entry Fee: \$85.00

Contact Joe at JJ's
Cantina or Mike Dugan
at 382-5237 to secure
your position in history!



SICK BAY

We are sorry to report that Bill Coughlin, a long-time member of CBSC has passed away. Ashes were to be put in the sea on December 15th, but due to rain and wind it has been postponed. Nancy will put out news when a new date has been determined. We will miss Bill. Our sympathy to the family.

Another long-time Cholla Bayer, Frenchy (Mike Basta) also passed away in November. Sympathy also goes out to his family.

Teri Wilson, another long-time member of CBSC is in hospice and doing very poorly. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her and her family.

We mistakenly reported in the last Chatter that both Reese and Jean Gibbons were very ill. However, it was only Jean who was ill. I'm very sorry that we reported this incorrectly, Reese, but glad you are fine.

Rhea Dugan had knee surgery in early December and has been in a lot of pain, but is doing therapy and is feeling much better.

We have many exciting events coming up for the coming year.

Mark your calendars so that you don't miss any.

FIRST UP - OUR 5th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

About all of the information is on the poster included in this issue of the Cholla Chatter.

But, just in case you need anything that might not be there, see the poster for Mike's phone number. He also

has a Vonage number in case you want to call from the U.S. That number is 520-908-6016. If you are a golfer, try to make this tournament. Then come in the evening to OBSC for their Winterfest dinner. I don't know what the menu will be, but it's always a good meal.

AND THEN -- - NEXT ----- THE 4th ANNUAL LAS VEGAS GAME NIGHT!!!!!!

Again, look at the poster included in this issue of the Chatter where you will find most of the information on the event. Kathy Hill is heading this up and she will need dealers for Black Jack and Texas Hold-em. Our "Vanna " alias Kathy Barnard will be spinning the Wheel of Fortune again. She spins a great wheel and there is much shouting there at that game. If you can deal Black Jack, let Kathy know. Her Cholla number is 382-5243. She'll appreciate the help. There will be information in the next issue of the Cholla Chatter, but keep the date on your calendar - February 2nd. There will be many prizes auctioned but I know a few of them are a Nook Color, wine and a Trio Tool Kit. There are MANY more, and there will two auctions during the evening. This year will be a Western theme, so if you have any "Cowboy or Cowgirl" duds, get them ready! There's going to be a "Great time in the old town that night".

A BIT OF HUMOR

This from a 4 year old explaining about love:

" I know my older sister loves me because she gives me her old clothes and she has to go out and buy more."



CBSC PRESENTS
LAS VEGAS GAME NIGHT

FEBRUARY 2, 2013

BLACK
JACK

TEXAS
HOLD'EM

LEFT/RIGHT
CENTER



CBSC Special Version of
WHEEL OF FORTUNE

WESTERN THEME

Cowboy Attire Preferred

6:30 P.M.

\$20.00 Gets you food, drinks
and playing chips

PRIZES WILL BE AUCTIONED





Let's Go Fishin', From the Launching Pad, Via Rosario Villa

Fishing has been good, weather permitting. There have been some nice sized sea trout caught off the point by Tucson Beach. The boaters have also caught some sizable corvina. There have been three search and rescues. One boat was towed in from the twelve mile reef, the other two were closer in. Once again the panga fishermen with radioed directions from Villa were involved in getting the boats and passengers back in safely. Due to windy days, only about 15 to 20 boats were launched during the past month. We are conducting a survey regarding the number of homeowners who have launched from Cholla Bay during the past year. If you are in this category would you please tell us by emailing nschmidli@cox.net.

The new repeater is ready to be installed, however we are still waiting for permission to do this. Since it is Christmas time it is doubtful this will happen until after the 1st of the year.

Villa and Humbug want to wish you a safe and fun Christmas and a happy new year. Feliz navidad y prospero año nuevo. Hasta luego, Humbug, aka, Don Schmidli

THANGSGIVING DINNER – Again, what a wonderful dinner CBSC sponsored on Thanksgiving Day. We have such great cooks here in Cholla. 6 turkeys were cooked, and lots of other good food was brought in. We were short of mashed potatoes this year, but we had instant mashed potatoes ready to go, so that helped. Last year I believe we had too many. Who's to know? Anyway, I think everyone got plenty of food and we had a great time giving out raffle prizes. Since the PA System wasn't working we had to get someone to shout the numbers out. This was done by Larry McIntire, and Rhea Dugan helped with checking and getting the prizes out. We want to thank Billie Crumbley, Rhea Dugan, Jo Barnes, Enequina Otanez, Pat Goodin, and others who donated prizes. We made quite a bit on the raffle and whatever wasn't used to pay expenses was given to Nancy for the Christmas Party. Thanks also to Mindy and Bert Hagen who did the decorating for the party, Ken Goodin for cooking the turkeys, Bob Dammann who was our chief carver of the turkeys, and was down there most of two days with Ken. Thanks to everyone else – Donald Schmidli, Nancy and all others who helped in any way. Pat Goodin

LET THE GAMES BEGIN – HORSEHOES COMING UP SOON!!

April 6, 2013 is the date of the 6th Annual Horseshoe Tournament in Beautiful Cholla Bay!

Mark your calendars because you don't want to miss out on this awesome event! Where else can you get over 250 people together, drinking beer, winning raffle prizes, playing double elimination horseshoes, eating hot dogs and popcorn and listening to see what I'll say next (with the help of my trusty megaphone)? It never fails, someone will do or say something that makes the tournament even more memorable! A certain "AI" provided some fun memories last year! And then there's Jeff ringing his bell on and off all day! You never know what's going to happen, but one thing's for sure – you WILL HAVE A GREAT TIME!

The entry fee will remain the same for next year: \$15 per player and \$10 per spectator. These include 2 hot dogs, popcorn & BEER! There will be a NEW SHIRT THIS YEAR! We're busy working on a new design (suggestions welcome – submit them on our Facebook page "CBSC Horseshoe Tournament"). Be sure to check out the items for sale in the Ship's Store booth at the tournament too! Last year there was a big run on the bottle coozies with a built-in bottle opener!

We are always looking for more Sponsors! If you are interested, please contact us at chollaCBSC@gmail.com – please put Horseshoe Sponsor in the subject line so that it will be routed to us or you can always use our Facebook page (noted above)? It's easy to become a sponsor and we'll get your name out there as much as we can. Just contact us! WE LOVE OUR SPONSORS!!!

This Annual Event benefits everyone! Proceeds are distributed to the Rocky Point Red Cross AND towards the upkeep and manning of the CBSC Marine VHF Radio. Every boater out on the Sea of Cortez knows how important this radio is. If you go out on the water and need help, we're there for you 365 days of the year! The Red Cross is also there for you 365 days a year!

Stay tuned for more updates! Remember, IF THE SHOE FITS, THROW IT! We hope to see you at the tournament! Even if you don't play horseshoes, you'll have a great time! Tammie Hicks

The Cholla Children's Christmas Party "games called on account of rain"

As usual, the party began with La Posada, however, because it began to rain it was all done inside. Mike Dugan, CBSC president gave an introduction and announcements. We had a moment of silence in honor of the children and others lost in the school shooting in Connecticut. Such a tragedy.

Of all the days to rain! But it didn't dampen the spirits of over 200 people having a good time, even though the clubhouse was a little crowded. The games planned by Estephany Cota and Miguel Suazo (Rosario Villa's daughter and nephew) had to be cancelled due to rain. I didn't hear any complaints, however, and the kids were very polite well behaved, so things went very well.

Those who helped at the party: Margaret Perez gave out wristbands; Sal Otañez, was our very own Santa and has been for many years; Lowell McCulley, our great photographer was assisted by his wife, Frankie and Gill Panasewics. Photos were printed out by Mike Dugan, Kathy Barnard and Crystal Renner. Santa's "Elves", Kylie Styles and Kayla Bowen, Billie Crumbley and M. J. Gooch gave each child a gift from Santa. Marilyn Prigge and Wanda McClung put the photos in frames made by Linda Eger and handed them out. These are very important to the parents, many of them have photos for 18 years ago when we first started taking them in polaroid; Tammy Hicks and Kellie Adams popped and handed out popcorn to all. Pat Goodin and Chely Felix Leon ran the raffle, they gave about 100 tickets to kids 13 and under and then drew out names for about 25 special prizes and 2 beautiful afghans donated for moms' prizes. Those helping the children choose and wrap moms' gifts were Jo Spencer, Lois Calvert, Jo Barnes, Kathy Hill, Kay Murphy, Heather Lawrence, and Enedina Otañez. Madeline Gibson oversaw the guest book. Rosa Villa, Estephanie and Miguel Suazo directed the choir. 3 of Chely's girls did a fairytale skit. Ken Goodin, Don Schmidli and Gary Prigge prepared and served the hotdogs, drinks and chips, (250 hotdogs). Arturo Arvizu prepared the rope for the piñatas, as he does every year, but it was just too soggy for that activity, so Kellie and Tammy put the candy from the piñatas in popcorn sacks and passed them out to the kids. Several people stopped by just to visit and watch the fun. Rosa, Estephanie and Miguel and others helped to clean up the clubhouse for the pot luck that evening. A great big thanks to them. About 30 of us enjoyed a very nice potluck that evening. Thank you to those who donated door prizes for this..

Before the party, Rhea Dugan and Billie Crumbley organized the moms' gifts and Chuck Payne and Jo Barnes helped section off the "gift shop" and set up. Sorry that Rhea couldn't make it to the party due to her knee surgery. My husband, Don, helped with everything I asked him to do, as he always does. A great big "THANKS" to him for being there for me..

Because of all the donations by many very generous people we were able to give almost all the money donated to the families that live in Cholla. The following people donated money, toys and moms' gifts for this party: Penny and Charles Cardinal, Dusty and Marie Rhoades, Gene and Carol Court, Pete and Janet Pisciotta, Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club, Nancy Ryan, Margie Valentine, Donna and Don Nelson, Sal and Enedina Otañez, John and Donna Wilhite, Jean and Richard Hunziker, Gail Anderson, Laurie Weber, Sue and Craig Roper, Marv and Barb Mitchell, Rhea Dugan, Billie Crumbley, Jo Balk, Jerry and Karen Caballero, Debbie and Wendell Lolling, Mary Ann Oren, Jeffery Hunt, John and Leanne Spolyar, Henry and Carol Coleman, Mindy and Bert Hagen, Sue Fink, Chuck Payne and Jo Barnes, Bob and Barb Dammann, Janet and Lloyd Spangler, Jim and Carol Schmidt, Dottie Nelson, Richard Karpinski, Jackie and Wayne Busfield, Gail Grace, Sue Sledge, Lois and Jeff Calvert, Kathy Hill,, M. J. Gooch, Linda Mehos, Shannon Schmidli Arns, Shawn Schmidli, Jerry Hughes, Shirley Peterson, Pat Goodin, Mary Rogers, Elsie Mecham, Pat Susong, Carmen Aguilar, whoever left blue bag of moms' gifts and anonymous donations in the box at Xochitl's and the Thanksgiving dinner. I know I have missed a couple of people, maybe more. I do apologize and would like for you to let me know who you are...I really like to have a record of all donors.

We gave 26700 pesos to 33 families. It was GREAT! These people are so very thankful, I know it will really make their Christmas merrier! **I love this party.... I love all of you who make it "The Best"! Thanks so very much! I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year!**

To see pictures of the party, go to <http://www.chollabayhoa.net/ChollaCommunity/?p1724> .

Nancy Schmidli

Cholla Children's Christmas Party Dec. 15th, 2012



MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Hey Gang! I trust this finds everyone well and your holidays in full swing. It's finally gotten chilly in Cholla, can you believe it? We spent a week over Thanksgiving and boy was it beautiful! Definitely makes you not miss or wish for snow. I think holidays in a beach setting are the BEST! And personally, I think Santa in a sandrail just makes sense. ;O)

As I write this we have 268 members in The CBSC, 219 of which are paid up for 2012. If you're on Facebook, please go to our "Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club" fan page, and LIKE it!! ☺ We're up to 97 Supporters now! WHO WILL BE OUR 100TH!? You can also now find the CBSC Events there. You'll see more detail as each event gets closer, but the dates are all there. You can also click on the Past Events link from within the Events Link, and check out pictures that other folks posted on that Event's Wall. If you need any help navigating, just drop me a line! And HEY! Pass on the page would ja??

We now have an email address for The Club - You can use it to contact any one of us on the board. Use your subject line to aid us in getting your email to the right board member! If you'd like to receive your Chatter by email, drop me a line at chollacbsc@gmail.com and let me know that you'd like to get it electronically - You'll get it in FULL COLOR - It's Nifty!

Annual membership is \$40 and checks should be made payable to CBSC. Please mail them directly to me: Laura McIntyre, PO Box 398 Cortaro, AZ 85652. (**Please note that we have changed our mailing address**) We would also like to encourage you to invite your friends and relatives to join. Share your Chatter with them so they can learn more about us, and let them have the form. The Chatter is only sent to current members so if you know someone who isn't getting their Chatter, remind them to get their renewal sent in!

Later Alligators!

☺ Laura McIntyre ☺



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.

Currently the Chatter is mailed to the address provided. We are now able to offer the Chatter via E-mail to those who would prefer. If you would rather receive your Chatter via Email and not regular mail, please check the Box to the Left.

NAME: _____ SPOUSE: _____

ADDRESS: (US or PO Box ONLY) _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ PHONE: _____

Email address: _____

Cabin Number/Address: _____ Local Phone: _____

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