



Sportsmen and women are many things, and to go along with that, an interesting lot! Generally independent, motivated when infringed upon, territorial in many respects and like most folks these days, time limited with where they can allocate efforts and resources.

On the other hand, HSUS, PETA, Animals First Arizona, Arizonans for Wildlife, and the AZ Animal Defense League as examples, are motivated by a guttural hatred of the pastimes many sportsmen and women enjoy. They don't take time off from it either, it's ingrained in them.

They also have an advantage - the majority of our Arizona population no longer spends time hunting and angling and has no idea how wildlife is managed and by whom. They aren't necessarily opposed to hunting and angling, they just don't partake in it. Many never have, many have no idea what it would involve, and many are just too darned busy with their urban lives.

We dodged a MAJOR bullet this year, and last month I gave kudos to those who helped make that happen. Pick your favorite sports analogy, but essentially that was merely the end of Round 1. We are in a fight that is going to involve many more rounds.

I can see a lot of collective heads nodding in agreement. Now we need to inspire our friends to nod their way off the sidelines!

This is no longer about: "my tag", "not my species", "doesn't involve fishing", "I don't hunt lions", "I don't hunt big game", "doesn't involve projects"...ad nauseum.

It's about the future of hunting and angling. It's about the future of

conservation. It's about making sure all Arizonans know the AZ Game & Fish Department is solely responsible for managing Arizona's wildlife and needs all the tools available. We're at a crossroads and facing a short time span until the next ballot cycle in 2020.

Where do you stand?

Jim Unmacht
Executive Director

Our Member Groups are VERY Busy!

ARIZONA DEER



ARIZONA DEER ASSOCIATION



— RANCH WORK PROJECT —

MAY 19 & 20, 2018 • NORTH OF PAYSON, AZ

The Arizona Deer Association is inviting members and other volunteers to help with our work project on May 19 & 20 north of Payson. We will be working in the "Girl Scout" pasture, south of the Control Road. The project will entail removing old fence wire and installing new wildlife friendly wire. Meals will be provided to volunteers Saturday morning through Sunday morning. Volunteers need to bring their own camping equipment and are asked to bring leather gloves, long-sleeve shirts, fence pliers, and plenty of water. Any specialized equipment will be supplied if needed. We look forward to seeing you there!



For more information or to RSVP for food count, please email John at elkhabitat@gmail.com or phone John at 480-720-2393.



LONG VALLEY RIPARIAN MEADOW PROJECT PHASE 2



MAY 19-20, 2018

We Really Need YOU!

Volunteer To Join Our **AWARD WINNING** Project Team!

WE'RE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE!

ARIZONA ELK SOCIETY
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FOR 2017 PROJECT:
LONG VALLEY MEADOW
RESTORATION PHASE 1

THANK YOU!
TO ALL OF OUR VOLUNTEERS AND PARTNERS
THAT HELPED US ON THIS PROJECT!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO HELP:

Individuals, Families, Corporate Group Volunteers,
Scouts, Conservation Partners, etc.

NOTE: The Arizona Elk Society is a family oriented organization, however projects are potentially dangerous working with barbed wire, rocks, logs, branches, saws, tools and vehicles. Kids under 18 will need to be supervised by an adult.

PROJECT WORK TASKS:


- Riparian Restoration
- Tree Thinning
- Rock Structure Building
- Stream Channel Shaping
- Meadow Log Fence

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

- All Weekend
- Friday - Trailer Hauling
- Friday Noon - Set-Up
- Saturday - Work Project
- Sunday - Work Project, Tear-Down
- Trailer Hauling/Unloading

RSVP AND PROJECT DETAILS ON BACK




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AZ Wheelin' Sportsman Chapter
2nd Annual Hunting Heritage Fundraiser
Saturday, June 2nd, 2018
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Roy Crain at 928-587-8894 or Email: imbeeman59@yahoo.com

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ARIZONA ANTELOPE FOUNDATION



26th Annual Hunter Clinic
Trophy Scoring



Recognition and Fundraising Banquet

June 16th 2018

Embassy Suites Phoenix

4400 South Rural Rd. Tempe Az



Join us for a day of education, recognition and fun! Drawn for an antelope tag? Learn how to pursue this elusive animal at our clinic. Have a trophy you need scored? Officials will be on hand all day to assist. Then join us to recognize Arizona Trophy Book Award winners, and those who successfully harvested an antelope in 2017. We will also celebrate the many successes of the AZ Antelope Foundation, and raise some much needed funds to continue our important work.



Trophy Scoring 9:00am - 4:00pm

Clinic Registration 11:00-12:00 Clinic 12:00-4:00

Recognition & Fundraising Banquet 4:30pm – 10pm

Complete the enclosed order form or register
online on our website at

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Both hunts are fully guided and outfitted by Coues Outfitters.

The Coues deer hunt will take place in either Dec. 2018 or Jan. 2019. The Gould's turkey hunt will take place in the spring of 2019. Dates to be determined. The first person drawn will get their choice of hunts and the second person drawn will get the remaining hunt.

— ONE TICKET GIVES YOU TWO CHANCES! —

Purchase tickets at www.OE4A.org and click the RAFFLES tab.

Tickets are \$25 each. Only 650 tickets will be sold.

Raffle winners will be drawn after the last ticket is sold.



For more information about the hunts and the location of the Mexico ranches, please visit the Coues Outfitters at www.couesoutfitters.com or follow them on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CouesOutfitters

Transportation provided from Tucson, AZ to the ranch and back, for both hunts. Does not include taxidermy, cape and meat transport or permits, weapon and ammunition. Additional person can be added for a fee.

Contact Coues Outfitter for details at 520-490-8367 or bobby@couesoutfitters.com.

Raffle will be conducted through Outdoor Experience 4 All.

Call 480-529-8340 with questions or visit www.OE4A.org to purchase tickets.



Mentoring Kids Fishing Derby

Patagonia Lake, Arizona

Saturday, October 13, 2018



Volunteers Needed!

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7 am to 1 pm

Del Norte Bass Anglers
&
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