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**Coming Events**

- APC Meeting.....September 8, 2011  
 Board Meeting....September 26, 2011  
 APC Meeting.....October 13, 2011  
 Novice Hunt #1.....October 22, 2011

Monthly APC meetings are held at the Mesa FOP Hall, 1450 E. Main Street, Mesa, from 7:00 pm until ??



# PREDATOR'S PRIDE



## ARIZONA PREDATOR CALLERS

September 2011      APC   P.O. Box 1172   Mesa, AZ 85211-1172

**The President's Message**

by **Scott Francom, APC President**



I would like to welcome back all the club members this season and preview some of our upcoming events for everyone in this, our first newsletter.

**Monthly seminars-** This year we have planned some great seminars and are going to tap our veteran hunters from the club to give them. I know of 1 that will focus on bear calling and another on calling in foxes. Both seminars to be given by members who have called predators their entire lives so don't miss it. If you feel you could give a good seminar on some aspect of predator calling please consider speaking with Rich Higgins to arrange a speaking engagement.

**New APC Club Website-** We moved our website to a local company, redesigned it so it's easier to navigate, and obtained a new domain name. Please now log into [www.arizonapredatorcallers.com](http://www.arizonapredatorcallers.com) to read online club information. We are looking for some pictures from last season to post there. If you have something suitable please send them to [scott@francom.us](mailto:scott@francom.us) and I will get them up as quick as I can. Our digital newsletter as well as our upcoming speaker can be found there each month.

**Novice Hunts-** Due to the overwhelming success of last year's novice hunts we will continue and have 3 each season. They are scheduled for 10/22, 11/12, and 12/10. We will circulate a list at the meeting before the hunt and try to pair up novices with experienced hunters. **Experienced hunters- we are counting on you to step up and take out at least 1 novice hunting this year.** Please do your part to promote the sport of predator hunting and to help a new member understand the steps of a successful predator hunt. Even if you do not call in and shoot a predator you can teach a novice how to set up a proper stand, how to hand or use an electronic caller, and many other important aspects of predator calling/hunting.

**Rewards for a Season of Predator Calling-** We are looking at doing the same type of awards as we did last season. Expert caller of the year, youth caller of the year, mentor of the year, and top fur salesman of the year. Each will receive a \$250 gift certificate to AJI Sports in Apache Junction. To be eligible for one of these great awards you need to keep an honest hunt record. Get your APC hunt record early and start keeping track of your harvested animals with pictures.

*Scott*

## Membership Report

The following memberships will be **expiring in August 2011**:

**Jeff Welker**  
**Josh Welker**  
**Skip Bargman**  
**Greg Malenfant**  
**Tom Sylvester**  
**Mike Baier**  
**Randall Jorgensen**  
**Kyle Schuder**  
**Joseph Viellette**  
**Kirk Jones**  
**Rick Malanowski**  
**Alex Johnson**  
**Richard Halverson**

The following memberships **expired in July 2011**:

**Bo Hawkins**  
**Eric Loeffler**  
**Bill Hudzietz**

**Please renew your APC membership before it expires. You don't want to miss a single issue of Predator Pride. The membership form is available on the last page of the newsletter.**

## Treasurer's Report

Checking Account Balance  
 Beginning Balance 08-01-11...\$2,637.72  
  
 Check #1799 M. Burris.....(\$47.72)  
 Check #1800 M. Burris.....(\$36.00)  
  
 Deposit \$170.00  
  
 08/30/11 end balance.....\$2,724.00  
  
 Petty Cash Beginning Balance...\$14.41  
 Dues Received.....\$30.00  
 Raffles Received.....\$135.00  
 Deposit to Checking.....(\$120.00)  
 Petty Cash Ending Balance.....\$59.41  
  
 Total cash.....\$2,783.41  
 Total Inventory of Goods.....\$2,299.75  
  
 Total Assets.....\$5,083.16

## March Meeting Program "Trappers Education Class"

We will be honored to have **Stan Schepers** speak to us on "Trappers Education". Stan will present the complete Arizona Trappers Education workshop. If you would like to receive a certificate that can be presented to the AZ Game and Fish to receive your trappers licence, a fee of \$10.00 will apply. This should be a very informative presentation.

The Arizona Predator Callers meeting is on **Thursday, September 8, 2011 at 7:00 PM.**

The meeting will be held in the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #9 at 1450 East Main Street. The FOP Lodge is on the north side of Main Street between Stapley and Gilbert Road in Mesa.

The meeting is free to APC members and students under 18, and \$5 for non-members. Refreshments and door prizes are included in the admission price.

Please contact Mike Burris, APC Vice-President, at (480) 654-1411 if you have any questions.

### APC Video Library

The following individuals have videos checked out. **Please return in a timely manner so others may view also.**

- 9/9/10 Bob Allen.....Calling Coyotes
- 1/13/11 Scott Hornaday.....Coming to the Call
- 1/13/11 Seraphim Moreira.....Coyote Behavior
- 1/13/11 Christian Ensley.....Deer Processing II
- 1/13/11 Seraphim Moreira.....Eyes Front 3
- 5/12/11 Travis Bradford..Free Grass & No Fences
- 10/14/10 Greg Malenfant.....Mastering Predator Calling
- 1/13/11 Jose Montijo.....Nail Em AZ Style
- 1/13/11 Jose Montijo.....Texas Predator Pursuit
- 1/13/11 Ruben Fuentes.....The Best of the West
- 3/12/08 Conner Griner.....Utah Raging Bull

Thanks *Jerry*



If you have a picture of your hunt, please share it with fellow APC members by sending it to the Predator Pride editor. Send to: [johnalbin1@msn.com](mailto:johnalbin1@msn.com)

### May awards meeting pictures



## Mesa Hunter Education Class Announcement Starting Sept. 6, 2011

A Basic Hunter Education class will be held at the Poston Jr. High auditorium (located at 2433 E. Adobe in Mesa) starting Sept 6, 2011 and ending on Oct 1. Classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 9:00. There is a 4 hour required field day on Saturday, October 1 at the Rio Salado Sportsman's Club on Usery Pass Road.

In person registration will be held at the first class session (September 6) from 6:30 to 7:00pm. Total cost for the class is \$8.00. Checks should be made out to MHEIA. Please bring your AZ Sportsman/Hunter ID number or Social Security Number to registration. Maximum basic class size is 200 persons.

These classes are for all ages. Parents are encouraged to attend with their youth. This class is required for all persons 10 - 13 years old to hunt big game in Arizona. Students must be at least 9 years old by graduation to be certified. It also qualifies the graduate for a permanent bonus point.

For further information and to preregister, contact Mike at (480) 834-1791. Please do not call Poston Jr. High for details. See Arizona Game and Fish Hunter Education class schedule at: <http://www.azgfd.gov>.

Sincerely,

Mike Zaccardi  
 Hunter Education Chief Instructor  
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[mike\\_zaccardi@msn.com](mailto:mike_zaccardi@msn.com)

## Hunt and Events Calender

- General Meeting of APC.....September 8, 2011
- General Meeting of APC.....October 13, 2011
- Novice Hunt #1.....October 22, 2011**
- General Meeting of APC.....November 10, 2011
- Novice Hunt #2.....November 12, 2011**
- General Meeting of APC.....December 8, 2011
- General Meeting of APC.....January 12, 2012
- Multi-Club Hunt.....January 21, 2012**
- General Meeting of APC.....February 9, 2012
- Antelope Eaters Hunt.....March 3-4, 2012**
- General Meeting of APC.....March 8, 2012
- Save-A-Fawn APC Club Hunt.....March 31, 2012**
- General Meeting of APC.....April 12, 2012
- General Meeting & Awards Presentations.....May 10, 2012

**Please get these dates and events onto your calendar.**  
**Club hunting events are in red type.**  
**Dates and events are subject to change.**

All APC Board meetings are held on the last Monday of each month. Any APC member is welcome to attend.

The word "coyote" is derived from the Nahuatl (a people found in central Mexico) word "coyotl." The coyote's scientific name, *Canis latrans*, means "barking dog."

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# Hunt Report

by Dusty Mosier, Hunt Chairman

Well, it's that time again, the hunts have started and our meetings have begun. It's still too hot to hunt predators, at least for me it is, I do this for fun and it's not much fun sweating your butt off. This is the time that I check all my gear, site in my weapons and start loading my truck for the season. This is also a good time to go over your vehicle and make sure that everything is sound.

All the totals from the 2010-2011 season are in and the numbers are down. I guess the prices of fuel I have caused many of you to not get out as much as usual. Whatever it may be, the totals by unit number, weapons used, and past years totals are here. Thanks to my daughter, Lisa, who did all the computer work and thanks to all of you who responded with your hunt records, which makes it all possible.

We are planning at least two novice hunts this fall. They are on 22 October and 12 November, please contact me or Scott to sign up. As usual we will need experienced club members to take out the new guys.

## Weapons Used in Predator Harvest 2010-2011

Weapon	Coyote	Gray Fox	Bobcat	Misc
Shotgun	65	77	18	1-lion(turned in to AZGFD)1-Kit Fox1-Raccoon
.223	27	11	4	
.22-250	16	1	3	1-Raccoon
.204 Ruger	3	2	1	
.17 Rem.	1	2	0	
.17 Fireball	1	19	2	
.17 HMR	0	2	3	
.22 Mag	6	2	0	
.243	1	4	1	
.222	1	0	0	
.40 S&W	0	0	1	
.308	1	0	0	1-Black Bear
Unknown Weapons	21	2	6	1-Kit Fox,1-Badger



**Dennis Slade** received the coveted “**Master Caller**” award at the May awards dinner and meeting. His name will be added to the plaque.



**Paul Melching** was awarded the “**Caller of the Year**” award for calling in and harvesting the most predators for the 2010-11 season. President Scott Francom and awards chairman Craig Barnett presented the awards.



“**Youth Caller of the Year**” was awarded to 14 year old **Tyler Bradford**.

# Arizona Predator Callers Annual Hunt Report For 2010 - 2011

SPECIES=>	Coyote				Gary Fox				Bobcat				Misc.
UNIT #	M	F	Unk	TOTAL	M	F	Unk	TOTAL	M	F	Unk	TOTAL	
1	1			1				0				0	
3A	12	8		20				0				0	
4A			3	3				0				0	
6B	1			1				0				0	
10				0				0		1		1	
12A	1			1				0				0	
18A			1	1			1	1	2			2	
18B	8	8		16				0	2	2	1	5	
20B	1	1		2				0				0	
20C				0		1		1				0	
21		1		1	6	6		12			1	1	
22	5	5		10	4	7		11	1	2	1	4	1-m,Raccoon
23		1		1	2	1		3				0	
24A	5	6		11	18	12	9	39				0	1-m,Raccoon
24B	8	2		10	7	6		13	2	2		4	
25M	6	3		9				0				0	
27				0				0	3			3	1-f,Black Bear
28	1	1		2	3	1		4				0	
30A				0		1		1				0	
30B				0				0	1			1	1-m,Kit Fox
32				0	1	1		2	1			1	
35B				0	3			3				0	
37A	1			1		1		1				0	
37B	5	4		9	11	5		16	4	2	1	7	1-f,Mountain Lion
38M				0				0				0	
39M		2		2	1			1				0	1-m,Kit Fox
41		1		1				0	2			2	
42	1			1				0				0	1-f,Badger
47M				0				0	1			1	
Navajo Res	6	5		11			3	3	1		1		
? in AZ	18	9	2	29	5	4	2	11	3	3	6		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>39</b>	

### Past Year Totals

Hunt Yr	Response	Coyotes	Gray Fox	Bobcat	Lion	Other Predators
2003-04	NA	256	65	15	4	1-Black bear, 1-Kit fox,3-Badgers
2004-05	76%	278	55	20	1	1-Kit fox
2005-06	81%	212	76	13	6	2-Black bears
2006-07	76%	400	105	32	1	1-Black bear
2007-08	75%	406	71	33	1	1-Black bear,2-Coati munda,10-Raccoons
2008-09	58%	455	73	31	2	1-Black bear,2-Kit fox,1-Raccoon
2009-10	88%	388	163	52	2	1-Kit fox,2-Coati munda,3-Raccoons
2010-11	71%	143	122	39	1	1-Black Bear,2-Kit Fox,2-Raccoon, 1- Badger

## 2010/2011 Award Presentations



**Scott Francom** received the award for “**Top Fur Sales**”



**Dusty Mosier** was presented the “**Sportsman of the Year**” award. Dusty has been very supportive to the club and hauls the trailer and gear to all of the club hunts and events.



Raffle winners were **Stan Schepers** and **Mike Burris**



“**Mentor of the Year**” was awarded to **Michael Moser** for his outstanding efforts in taking new hunters out into the field and sharing his knowledge.

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*If you have any items you would like to offer for sale to our membership, please get them to the editor of Predator's Pride by the deadline at the end of each month.*

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