### March 2020

#### From the Presidents Pen



**Next Board Meeting** 

March 11th

11:00 A. M.

**PARTNERS POINT** 



# President's Message

As noted last month, Angler's United, Inc. – Lake Havasu City chapter is very fortunate to have had a 250 hp outboard motor donated to us by "Just 4 Fun Powersports" and they are installing it on our large pontoon to replace the old 80 hp outboard that is presently on it. Our volunteers had completely rebuilt the pontoon over the last several years. The one problem that we had though was the lack of a suitable, dependable, outboard motor. Thanks to "Just 4 Fun Powerports" that problem is now being resolved. They are also helping us with the process of registering the boat here in the state of Arizona. Thanks to their donation they will be listed on the boat as a co-sponsor, replacing Shimano American Corp. This boat will be needed during the process of removing all of the old artificial habitat from the 42 coves and replacing it during the next several years.

Boat training will take place the beginning of March to certify three of our volunteers in the operation of the large hydraulic brush boat that is the property of the U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The operation of this boat has been a major bottle-neck in our brush program since the program started up again. A large amount of brush has constantly been on the ground, drying out at Partner's point due to the lack of BLM operators for the brush boat. Hopefully, with the certification of three of our volunteers we will be able to place the brush in the lake before it dries out, prolonging the life of the brush piles.

Our membership has increased dramatically this season thanks to all of the new members joining at our fishing classes and the swap meet. We are truly appreciative of their assisting us at Partner's Point with the brush on Tuesdays and Thursdays. There were 631 Christmas trees placed in the lake and their assistance with these trees and the brush was priceless.

Due to the cost of having caps made and the very low profit margin that could be gained we have decided to discontinue the sale of the caps. We will continue selling our tee shirts and maps. The choice of a tee shirt or map will continue with the payment of a life time membership.

#### From the Vice Presidents Desk



Thanks to Judy Berdon our website is up and running she has accomplished what no one else has been able to do. Thanks again Judy I know you have put a lot of time and work in this project Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!!!!

The Website is: anglersunited.org. If you have anything you would like to see on our website please email Judy Berdon at atripledriver@gmail.com.

The warmer weather has me thinking once again it is time for Anglers United to have another picnic. As soon as I get the boards approval for the date and can reserve the cabana at Rotary Park I will send the information to everyone, we have a lot of new members this past year and I am looking forward to meeting them at our picnic. I'm getting hungry just thinking about all the delicious food our members bring to the picnic.

Our last fishing class is scheduled for March 7th at the Aquatic Center please let us know if you would be interested in helping to check in folks, sell t-shirts and maps or just be there to help as needed

# **Theft of Trailer & Contents**

The Tempe/Chandler chapter of Anglers United. Inc. had their trailer stolen. Inside the trailer was all of their equipment for the annual Kid's Fishing day which was scheduled to be held February 29 – March 1<sup>st</sup>. This event is held every year in Tempe and is a major attraction for children in the community.

They are determined to hold the event even with the theft. In order to replace their trailer and equipment they have established a "go fund me page". If you are interested in helping the chapter replace this equipment so that they can continue this worthwhile annual event please contribute to GoFundMe, <a href="https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-fund-angles-united-kids-fishing-day-equipment">https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-fund-angles-united-kids-fishing-day-equipment</a>. Even a small contribution will help this chapter keep this event going.

David E. Bohl President Anglers United, Inc.



# **Tackle Tips**

## By Dave Bohl

The smallmouth bass have been going into full spawn and the largemouth bass are entering into the pre-spawn stage. By the time March is over they will have been in full spawn. People fishing Lake Havasu are very fortunate to have a spawning season that lasts from January into July, depending on the species. It is all directly connected to the temperature of the water in the lake. With the constant inflow of water into the lake the warm-up period is extended. Smallmouth bass and Striped bass spawn first with water temperatures from 59 – 65, followed by largemouth bass spawning 68 – 72. Then bluegills and Sunfish spawn from 70 – 75 followed by Channel catfish at 75 – 80. You can deduct 5 degrees from each one of these ranges to figure out when they go into pre-spawn. Recently I fished the main basin and the water temperature was 62 degrees, with the rest of the lake at 57.7 degrees. I caught this 6 lb 2 oz largemouth on a white Rat-L Trap lure. She was up on the flats in the afternoon in 62 degree water but was not ready to spawn yet. My favorite lures this time of year are Rat-L traps, Rapala X-raps, Strike King 1.5 square bills, jigs in crawfish colors (brown, watermelon green, etc.) and plastic lizards.



FOR THOSE THAT HAVE NEVER SEEN A CATFISH!!

Just a little fishing humor



### 2019-2020

# **Free Community Fishing Class Schedule**

Anglers United, Inc. Lake Havasu City chapter, is happy to announce another season of "FREE" community fishing classes. These classes are open to everyone regardless of age. Children under the age of ten will need an adult guardian with them.

The classes are held in rooms 155/156 at the "Aquatic Center" 100 Park Avenue (near intersection of Hwy 95 and Mulberry).

## No fishing tackle is required

Contact Rod Hatchell - rod.anglersunited@gmail.com

If you don't have an e-mail address please call 928-733-0207

December 7, 2019, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.. "Fishing for Catfish" with Gary Visconti, Ron Liesen & Everett Rochelle RSVP by 12/4 Space is limited & first registered first served.

January 4th 2020 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. "Fishing for Striped Bass"

February 8th 2020 9:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m. "Fishing for Panfish"

March 7th, 2020 9:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m. "Fishing for Black Bass"

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