

## LONG SEASON AND TWO CANVASBACKS

### *Rules approved for Utah's waterfowl hunt*

SALT LAKE CITY — A long 107-day season and a seven duck bag limit—which includes two canvasbacks—await Utah's waterfowl hunters this season.

This is the first time in more than 35 years that Utah's duck hunters can take two canvasbacks, and two redhead ducks, in the same day.

"This is really amazing. The number of canvasbacks has reached an all-time high," says Tom Aldrich, migratory game bird coordinator for the Division of Wildlife Resources.

Aldrich has worked for the DWR for 23 years. He says he's never seen more canvasbacks in Utah than the numbers he saw during surveys flown last fall. "It appears that most of the canvasbacks that were here and in other states last fall survived to breed this past spring," he says. "Because canvasbacks are doing so well, we can allow hunters to take an extra bird this season."

In addition to the season lengths and bag limits, members of the Utah Wildlife Board also approved the following at their Sept. 6 meeting in Salt Lake City:

- Utah's Special Youth Hunting Day will begin a little earlier this season. The day will still be held on the last Saturday in September—Sept. 29—but youth hunters can start shooting 30 minutes before sunrise. In the past, they had to wait until 8 a.m. The special youth hunt is open to hunters 15 years of age and younger who have passed Utah's Hunter Education course. They must also be accompanied by an adult while hunting.
- Utah's general waterfowl season begins at 8 a.m. on Oct. 6 in Salt Lake, Davis, Weber, Box Elder and Cache counties. Across the rest of the state, the hunt begins 30 minutes before sunrise on Oct. 6.



For more information, call the nearest Division of Wildlife Resources office or the DWR's Salt Lake City office at (801) 538-4700.

### **Wild Chronicles" features Lab's expedition to the Arctic**

A recent segment on National Geographic's "Wild Chronicles" highlighted a Lab of Ornithology expedition to record rarely heard sounds beneath the Arctic ice. The segment includes sound and high-definition video of the narwhal, sometimes called the unicorn of the sea because of its long, spiraling tooth. You can download the podcast from the National Geographic web site:

[http://podcastmedia.nationalgeographic.com/wildchronicles/pc59\\_SeaofSound.mp4](http://podcastmedia.nationalgeographic.com/wildchronicles/pc59_SeaofSound.mp4).

### **New study finds uncertainty breeds cooperation in birds**

Rather than striking out to start a family of their own, members of some bird species cooperate to help raise their siblings, nephews, nieces, cousins--or even unrelated young. Why? A new study by Lab researchers takes a look at the role of unpredictable rainfall. Read the story at

<http://www.birds.cornell.edu/AllAboutBirds/studying/starlingstudy>.

### **Clements Checklist, 6th edition released with web site**

Cornell University Press has published the 6th edition of The Clements Checklist of Birds of the World, the most up-to-date and most widely endorsed compendium of more than 9,930 species of birds recognized by the scientific and birding communities. The Lab will maintain the list and provide regular taxonomic updates and corrections via a new web site. To learn more, or to order a copy of the book, visit

<http://www.birds.cornell.edu/clementschecklist>.

### **Calling all bird watchers**

Project FeederWatch is seeking new participants as it launches its 21st season. FeederWatch participants send weekly observations of feeder

birds to the Lab of Ornithology from November through April, helping to document long-term shifts in bird population and distribution. Sign up on the



Project FeederWatch web site at <http://www.birds.cornell.edu/pfw> or call the Lab toll-free at (800) 843-2473. In return for the \$15 fee (\$12 for Lab members) participants receive the FeederWatcher's Handbook, a poster of the most common feeder birds, a calendar, complete instructions, and the FeederWatch "Winter Bird Highlights" publication.

## **MORE THAN 1,000 COMPANIES UNVEIL SPRING/SUMMER PRODUCTS AT OUTDOOR RETAILER**

### ***Summer Market 2007 Defined by Progressive Exhibitor Initiatives and the Strength of Tangential Markets***

SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CALIF. (September 6, 2007) – Outdoor Retailer Summer Market returned to Salt Lake City, August 9-12, with a record 1,051 exhibitors across 421,000 square feet of exhibit space. The most expansive Summer Market to date welcomed more than 21,000 total attendees\*, including over 150 new exhibitors such as Saucony and Otter Creek Paddle Works as well as 25-year veterans such as The North Face and Coleman. More than 6,500 buyers\* flooded the halls to scout the latest in outdoor gear, gadgets, accessories and apparel.

“The overwhelmingly positive buzz at this year’s Summer Market paid tribute to the strength of today’s outdoor industry,” said Kenji Haroutunian, show director for Outdoor Retailer. “In addition to hundreds of new product innovations, it was inspiring to see the vast array of progressive exhibitor initiatives focused on sustainability, social responsibility, advocacy and youth awareness; these are the programs that will help the industry attract new consumers in the years to come.”

### ***Progressive Programs***

The movement towards sustainable business practices was illustrated across the show floor by the greatest Green Steps Program sponsor participation to date, new eco-friendly lines from Keen, GoLite and others, and consumer programs such as CamelBak’s sustainable hydration initiative “Choose to Re-Use.” This drive was also highlighted at the Outdoor Industry Breakfast where keynote speaker Ben Packard, director of environmental affairs for Starbucks Coffee Co., stressed how small sustainable steps add up to meaningful change.

Other exhibitors are connecting with buyers and consumers through cause programs. This trend was evidenced by companies such as Ocean Kayak, which will donate a portion of its new angler’s gross sales to the Breast Cancer Fund, and

El Naturalista, which will donate one Euro for every pair of shoes sold to the Atauchi Project, a non-profit organization supporting educational projects in Peru.

“I was really impressed with the overall feeling of consciousness and attention to where we are headed as an industry,” commented Paige Boucher, public relations director for Mountain Hardwear.

Another hot topic at Summer Market was the push to get youth outdoors. Numerous exhibitors launched new youth collections such as Timberland’s b-life collective, a shoe line designed to attract the millennial generation. Other industry members are enlisting young athletes to help with product development or getting involved in outdoor events to motivate children to get off the couch and enjoy the outdoors.

“Imagine a time when children no longer play outdoors, when their laughter disappears from woods and fields, when they no longer know the wonder and joy of nature. For many children, that time is now,” remarked Outdoor Industry Association president Frank Hugelmeyer. “There are 73 million Americans under the age of 18, who in the last year spent an average of more than 4 hours a day in front of a screen. The good news is there are many great programs already working to get kids active.”

### ***Attracting Tangential Markets***

Summer Market also saw an increased presence from some of the traditionally tangential industry segments such as endurance sports, surf and skate. Surf brands such as Reef, QuiksilverEdition and Body Glove are realizing the crossover potential to the outdoor market and thus, putting more emphasis on their Outdoor Retailer presence. Bouldering also made a big splash at Summer Market with the Mammut/EMS Bouldering Championship, the feature event of an international competition.

“I was really impressed with the quality of the bouldering competition on night three of the show, and we were proud to be a sponsor of Pete Ward’s NE2C event,” said Haroutunian. “Bouldering represents an important way for young people to engage with the outdoors in a way that lets them express themselves with friends and set goals to achieve, without missing too much homework.”

Given increased fringe-segment interest and the overall growth of the show, Outdoor Retailer created New Product Feature Areas to help attendees navigate the Summer Market floor more efficiently. Similar to successful category-focused areas like Climbers’ Ranch and the Paddle Tank area, the Gear Loft, Footwear

Focus Area, and New Apparel Feature Area clustered relevant brands to serve the needs of the specialty buyer. The Endurance Sports Zone catered to buyers looking for brands in the trailrunning, adventure racing and triathlon segment.

### ***Open Air Demo***

The last-minute relocation of Open Air Demo (OAD) from Willard Bay to Pineview Reservoir's Cemetery Point proved successful, with a record 90 OAD exhibitors coming together with retailers and media at the scenic park to test the latest boats, paddles, sunglasses, GPS devices, tents, packs and more. Show management is considering Pineview Reservoir for future events.

“Our first Open Air Demo was a very positive experience, as it provided the chance for people to see and feel just what our boats are all about,” said Blake Young, president of NuCanoe. “We saw many people we weren't able to connect with prior to the event and feel our attendance at this venue establishes us in the outdoor market.”

*\*Nielsen Business Media partners with a third party vendor to audit attendance numbers; verified attendance numbers should be available by the end of September.*

### **Lake Powell Fish Report**

By: Wayne Gustaveson  
Lake Elevation: 3603

September 5, 2007  
Water Temperature: 80-83 F

Summer is over. Lake Powell is quiet. Air and water temperature will now begin cooling to a more comfortable temperature for fish and anglers. September is the peak month for bass and striper feeding. Forage is at the season high in abundance and size. With the passing of Labor Day all is in order for serious fishing to begin.

The high profile action will be “on top” with bass and stripers feeding each morning and evening on shad schools. The extent of boiling action remains to be seen. Many shad were consumed in the late August blitz of surface feeding. Some shad escaped to swim another day but the predator pursuit is relentless. Look each morning and evening and investigate each double splash. Single splashes may be carp or gizzard shad. Double splashes mean stripers and bass chasing shad.

Look for a resurgence of surface action near Trachyte and White Canyon. Striper abundance is greatest in this location. Lake level decline will displace shad and

allow a new round of feeding. Striper abundance at most other locations is still strong with many yearling stripers actively feeding on top and deeper in the water column.



The best strategy will be to use spoons as the weapon of choice for these conditions. Stripers want to feed but shad may not be numerous enough to allow a boil. Hungry stripers then sulk just at the cool water break (35 feet) of the shallower feeding area while scanning above for any trace of shad. Shad presence

alerts the school into instant action. The slip-sliding action of a falling silver or blue spoon mimics the descent of an injured shad. One striper eating that spoon gets the rest of the school started just as if the shad school had been encountered.

When graphing watch for a tight rectangular smudge of fish with an irregular shape at 30-50 feet. Often the resting striper school signature will appear as 2-3 smudges instead of individual fish arcs. The arcs appear as the school comes off the bottom to chase spoons back to the boat.

Bass chase shad when available but they also root around the rocks looking for crayfish. The developing bass pattern is associated with rooted aquatic weeds that

offer a safe haven to small sunfish. Sunfish are the 'go-to' target when shad are scarce. Find a tall grass bed and bass will be close by. All shades of green are found in the grass and sunfish. Try dark green or watermelon colors for quick bass action.

Choose your fishing target. September is the time to satisfy all those fish cravings for all Lake Powell anglers.

## **SBA Disaster Preparedness PSA Encourages Residents Nationwide to Be Prepared**

**WASHINGTON** – The U.S. Small Business Administration today released a disaster preparedness audio public service announcement (PSA) reminding residents throughout the nation of the importance of being prepared.

The 30-second spot encourages all homeowners, renters and small businesses owners to prepare a comprehensive disaster plan, identify all hazards in the home, locate escape routes and keep essential records offsite.

The audio PSA is available in a downloadable MP3 format on the SBA Web site at <http://www.sba.gov/news/index.html>. For copy of the script, contact Carol Chastang at (202) 205-6987.

SBA has a disaster loan program that offers long-term, low-interest, taxpayer-backed loans with up to 30-year repayment terms. Applicants may receive up to \$200,000 to repair disaster damaged primary residences. Homeowners and renters are eligible for loans up to \$40,000 to replace personal property such as furniture and clothing. Loans to businesses of all sizes and non-profit organizations are available up to \$1.5 million to repair damage to real estate, machinery, equipment and inventory. Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) also are available to small businesses unable to pay bills or meet operating expenses.

For the latest news and information on SBA's Disaster Assistance program, visit the Web site at

<http://www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance/index.html>.

## **Celebrate National Wildlife Refuge Week**

Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge Fall Open House  
Saturday, September 15 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

## Schedule of Events

### **10:00am - 12:30pm Guided Refuge Tour by Car Caravan**

Join volunteer staff for a guided trip to the Refuge. Drive your own vehicles. Limit 6 vehicles. Two-way radios and binoculars available to borrow. You'll look for birds,

and learn a bit about Refuge history and management. Bring along your camera and drinking water for the trip. Appropriate for ages 10 to adult.

### **10:00am - 11:00am Basic Waterfowl Identification with Greg Mullin & Steve Hicks**

A review for some, and beginner basics for others. Learn to identify ducks, geese and swans you'll see in Utah. Appropriate for all ages.

### **11:00am - 12:00pm Bird Projects YOU Can Take Part In! with Keith Evans**

Learn more about Citizen Science bird projects that are fun and educational, such as the Christmas Bird Count, the Great Backyard Bird Count, Project FeederWatch, The Birdhouse Network, or computer-based programs like eBird.

### **1:00pm - 2:00pm Virtual Bird Tour of Utah with Tim Avery**

Combining birding and photography, Tim will take you on a "virtual" tour of his travels through Utah over the past year. Tim is a birder, and amateur bird photographer.



**1:00pm - 3:30pm Guided Refuge Tour by Car Caravan**  
Join volunteer staff for a guided trip to the Refuge. Drive your own vehicles. Limit 6 vehicles. Two-way radios and binoculars available to borrow. You'll look for birds, and learn a bit about refuge history and management. Bring along your camera and drinking water for the trip. Appropriate for ages 10 to adult.

### **1:30pm - 3:30pm Project**

### **LNT - Awareness Certification for Adults and Youth 12 and Older with Kathi Stopher**

Project Leave No Trace is an educational program designed to provide information,

materials and support for youth and youth leaders interested in the ethics and skills fundamental to "Leave No Trace" outdoor recreation. Presented by Forest Service,

Utah DWR and USFWS staff. To receive materials and certification, you must pre-register and attend the entire class. Call Kathi Stopher at 435-734-6438 to register.

**2:00pm - 3:00pm Basic Waterfowl Identification with Greg Mullin & Steve Hicks**

A review for some, and beginner basics for others. Learn to identify ducks, geese and swans you'll see in Utah. Appropriate for all ages.

**All Day Children's Sense of Wonder Activities - Celebrate Rachel Carson's Birthday**

Learn about Rachel Carson. Pick up information on activities you can do with your children, like Touch, Smell and Listen Bingo. Take a break from your busy lives and learn more about our natural world. For all ages.

**Utah Tourism Board Holds Bear Lake Meeting**

Salt Lake City – Members of the Utah Board of Tourism Development will meet on Friday, September 14, 2007, to discuss the Utah Office of Tourism's out-of-state marketing efforts. The monthly meeting will be held at 10 a.m. at the Bear Lake Inn at Harbor Village & Convention Center, located at 900 North Bear Lake Boulevard in Garden City, Utah.

Topics on the agenda will include a marketing report on the FY 2007-08 budget, winter advertising campaign, strategic planning, and the state's tourism-related Web sites. Leigh von der Esch, managing director of the Utah Office of Tourism, will provide an update on the agency's operations.

For additional information, please contact the Utah Office of Tourism, 300 N. State St., Salt Lake City, Utah, 84114, (801) 538-1900.

**Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge Announces Fall Open House  
Celebrate National Wildlife Refuge Week - September 15 - 10:00am to 4:00pm**

Join us for a day of fun and learning! We'll celebrate National Wildlife Refuge Week, as well as the 100th Birthday of Rachel Carson. Activities include learning to identify ducks, geese and swans, taking guided refuge tours, taking a virtual bird tour of Utah, or learning about Cornell Lab bird science projects you and your family can take part in. Learn about activities you and your children can do from Rachel Carson's "Sense of Wonder" program. Would you like to receive awareness certification for

Project "Leave No Trace"? Training will be provided at the open house as well. You must pre-register for this, and attend the entire training. Call Kathi Stopher at 435.734.6438 for more information, and to register.

For general information, and a complete schedule of events, visit our web site at: <http://bearriver.fws.gov> or call 435.723.5887. Come out for a day of fun and educational activities!

**Directions:** Activities will take place at the James V. Hansen Wildlife Education Center, located at 2155 West Forest Street, Brigham City, Utah. Guided tours will leave from, and return to, the Center. From Interstate 15, take exit

#363, turn west one block to the Center. **Information:** 435.723.5887 or TTY / Voice: 711.

### **Big increase in wild turkey hunting permits**

*Permits jump from 3,020 to 7,706*

SALT LAKE CITY — The chance of drawing a permit to hunt wild turkeys in Utah next spring just got a lot better.

*Photo from U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service*

At their Sept. 6 meeting in Salt Lake City, members of the Utah Wildlife Board approved the largest wild turkey permit increase in the state's history.



Permits increased from 3,020 in 2007 to 7,706 for hunts in spring 2008.

### **Productive birds**

"More and more hunters want to hunt turkeys in Utah, and we want to give as many of them a chance to hunt as we can," says Dennis Southerland, upland game coordinator for the Division of Wildlife Resources. "There are enough turkeys in Utah that we believe we can do that without affecting the turkey populations."

When it comes to reproducing, Southerland says upland game are different from big game and many other wildlife species.

"Turkeys and other upland game reproduce at a high rate," he says. "It's not unusual for a single male turkey to breed as many as 10 females. And female turkeys are very productive. They usually lay a clutch of between 10 to 12 eggs.

"Only male turkeys are hunted in Utah. We think an increase in permits even as big as the one the board approved will not have an impact on the state's turkey populations. And it will give more hunters a chance to get out and enjoy turkey hunting this spring."

### **Turkey hunting in 2008**

The rules the board approved combine the type of turkey hunting Utah's hunters are used to with a new way of hunting:

Three hunting seasons will be held on most units. The first season begins on April 12. The last season ends on May 31.

The first two seasons are very much like the seasons Utah hunters are used to: a limited number of permits are available for the first two seasons, and hunters must hunt in the unit they draw a permit for.

The third season is where most of the changes will occur. The third season is 27 days long. Twice as many permits are available for it than are available for the first two seasons. In three regions—the Northern, Central and parts of the Northeastern—hunters are not required to hunt in a single unit. Instead, they can hunt in almost any unit in the region.

After the hunting seasons, DWR biologists will survey a sample of turkey hunters, including those who hunted during the third season. If the hunters liked the changes, and the harvest data shows turkey populations are not declining because of the changes, even more permits could be offered in 2009.

"More hunters will be in the field during the third season," Southerland says. "But in two of the regions, and a part of a third, hunters can hunt across the entire region. Allowing hunters to hunt across the region should give everyone plenty of room to spread out."

### **Turkey plan**

Giving more hunters a chance to hunt turkeys is one of the goals of Utah's Wild Turkey Strategic Management Plan.

A committee that included DWR biologists and members of the National Wildlife Turkey Federation and Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife drafted the turkey proposals that the board approved.

### **Applications available**

Applications for 2008 wild turkey hunting permits will be available starting Nov. 28 at [wildlife.utah.gov](http://wildlife.utah.gov). Turkey applications will be accepted only online this year.

For more information, call the nearest Division of Wildlife Resources office or the DWR's Salt Lake City office at (801) 538-4700.

Figure 1

## **PERSONALLY TAILORED TRAINING PLAN BOOSTS U.S. CROSS COUNTRY**

*Newell: "More than one way to get the job done"*

WANAKA, N.Z. (Sept. 6) - U.S. Ski Team athletes found midwinter snow for cross country training again in New Zealand while some teammates fine-tuned their own training with their grassroots club or personal coach at home. "There's more than one way to get the job done," World Cup sprint racer Andy Newell (Shaftsbury, VT) said of the individualized training approach.

The annual U.S. Ski Team camp at The Snow Farm was blessed with a storm shortly after the Ski Team arrived in late July, providing "great conditions," according to Sprint Coach Chris Grover. "It was definitely thin [cover] when we got down there, but then we had a day and a half snowstorm - the winds were so high at one point they couldn't even groom - and then it was plenty of snow, blue skies, cold temps...really good conditions for another successful camp."

The camp included Olympians Newell, Torin Koos (Leavenworth, WA) and Chris Cook (Rhineland, WI) plus Development Team skiers Leif Zimmermann (Bozeman, MT), Morgan Arritola (Fairfield, ID), Rosie Brennan (Park City, UT), Liz Stephen (East Montpelier, VT) and newcomer Alexa Turzian (Sun Valley, ID), the youngest U.S. cross country gold medalist after winning the 10K freestyle title last January during the U.S. championships at Michigan Tech. Grover said Kikkan Randall (Anchorage, AK), who claimed her first World Cup podium last winter - a

week before Koos earned his first top-3, was training on Alaska's Eagle Glacier with U.S. teammates Tazlina Mannix (also Anchorage) and Laura Valaas (Wenatchee, WA) and the Alaska Pacific University Nordic program. Among others, Kris Freeman (Andover, NH) also trained at home.

Newell, whose sprint podium in China after the 2006 Olympics was the first U.S. top-3 in a World Cup race since 1983, said, "I feel better than I've ever felt." The Ski Team's approach to individualizing training regimens makes sense as skiers gain experience, he said.

"There are so many different ways to ski and train, and there's more than one way to get the job done," Newell said. "You need to have confidence in what you're doing, and what I'm doing this year is some new strength training. I don't think any other cross country skier is doing this kind of aggressive strength work, but [Conditioning Coach] Zach Weatherford has helped my skiing so much over the years, and he's made me faster every year, so I'm taking a little change and doing more strength training.

"Really, this is one of the great ways the Ski Team works now, at least with the older guys," Newell added. "As you get older with the national team, you should learn from your training, from keeping your training logs - and my logs go back to my first year at Stratton [Mountain School], back to 1997-98. You learn how your body reacts to different kinds of training...and we're personalizing our training more. Koos and Cook and I go to New Zealand, Kris stays home, Kikkan trains on the glacier in Alaska. We work with the national staff but also with our own coaches at home.

"Cook and I need to work on different things to get better. I've been working a lot on double-poling and building strength, and that's the opposite of Cook. He's big and strong, so he's working more on intervals [speed workouts] and that kind of thing."

Grover said the camp also helps lay the groundwork for the Team's final preseason camp with everyone in Lake Placid, NY, in October. Newell and Koos will head to Europe for the season-opening World Cup races Oct. 27-28 in Dusseldorf, Germany. Cook will rejoin his club program with Idaho's Sun Valley Ski Education Foundation and the others will resume training with their clubs in conjunction with the U.S. Ski Team.

**Peter Breinholt's 10-year anniversary Sundance concert is this Saturday at 7:30 pm.**

It will be a reunion, of sorts, of the many faces that have graced that old stage with Peter off and on for a decade. You will love this year's this line-up . . . trust us.

Opening the show will be singer-songwriter Paul Jacobsen.

Go to [www.pauljacobsen.com](http://www.pauljacobsen.com) and you'll see-- he's the real deal.

Tickets for the Sundance event are available at (801) 263-4003; [www.peterbreinholt.com](http://www.peterbreinholt.com) and at the door beginning at 5 pm.

ONE MAN PARADE (well, sort of)

After the Sundance dust clears, there is another very special performance brewing for Peter Breinholt. On October 13, Peter will do a one man show (with a little help from pianist David Tolk) at the new, gorgeous Logan Performance Hall at Utah State University. It'll be the songs they way they were when Peter first wrote them, stripped to the bone, and with the stories behind each to boot. This is the show many, many people have requested for a long time. And if it works, Peter wants to take it on the road. Tickets go on sale at Peter's website and elsewhere on Sept. 12. Visit us there for details.



**Utah Friends of Paleontology Great Basin Chapter Summer Party  
Thursday, September 13, 2007**

**6:00 PM**

**Ron & Elaine Jones' House**

**3055 South Valley Street**

**(3300 East), Salt Lake City**

Pot Luck BBQ - Burgers, chicken, etc. and drinks will be provided; bring a salad, side dish, or dessert to share.

**Upcoming meetings and events:**

**Thursday, September 13 – Saturday, September 15: 2007 Powell Symposium  
Digging**

**the Bones of the Earth – Paleontology on the Colorado Plateau.** For a complete schedule of events and registration information, see the website at:

[www.powellsymposium.org](http://www.powellsymposium.org)

**September 22 – 23, 2007: Horned Dinosaur Symposium at the Royal Tyrrell Museum,**

Drumheller, Alberta, Canada. Field Trip Monday, September 24th. For more information

see the website at: [www.tyrrellmuseum.com/](http://www.tyrrellmuseum.com/)

**Thursday, October 11, 2007, 7:00 pm: UFOP, GBC Meeting,** Department of Natural

Resources Auditorium, 1594 W. North Temple, Salt Lake City

**Saturday, October 13, 2007, 9:30am – 5:30pm: What's in the Basement?** Open House at the Utah Museum of Natural History, University of Utah, 1390 East Presidents

Circle (200 South), Salt Lake City. For more information see the website at: [www.umnh.utah.edu](http://www.umnh.utah.edu)

**October 17 – 20, 2007: Society of Vertebrate Paleontology 67th Annual Meeting,**

Austin, Texas. For more information see the website at: [www.vertpaleo.org/](http://www.vertpaleo.org/)

**Thursday, November 8, 2007, 7:00 pm: UFOP, GBC Meeting,** Department of Natural

Resources Auditorium, 1594 W. North Temple, Salt Lake City

**ULTIMATE ATV RIDE, GOLF WEEKEND IN EMERY COUNTY**

Emery County - Experience the ultimate ATV ride and golf weekend Friday, September 28 through Sunday, September 30 in Emery County.

Utah State Parks and Emery County host the Millsite Front 9 - Green River

**Figure 2**

Back 9 100-Mile ATV Ride.

Events begin Friday, September 28. Play nine holes at Millsite



Golf Course, then camp overnight at Millsite State Park. On Saturday, September 29, enjoy a spectacular 100-mile ATV ride from Millsite to Green River State Park.

Camp overnight at beautiful Green River State Park on Saturday evening, and play another nine holes at Green River Golf Course Sunday morning.

This golf and ride weekend is fully supported. The Emery County Sheriff's Office and Posse Members will shuttle participants' trucks and trailers to Green River State Park.

Utah State Park and Emery County officials will support, and guide the ATV ride, haul gas to the mid-point, and provide water and fresh Green River watermelons.

Costs for the weekend event: \$80 covers camping and shuttle from Millsite to Green River State Park; \$30 covers two, nine-hole rounds of golf with carts.

To register or for more information: [www.emerycounty.com](http://www.emerycounty.com) (435) 564-8882 / (435) 687-2491 / (435) 381-2119

## **UTAH STATE PARKS LAUNCH AND WATER CONDITIONS**

Please find below, Utah State Parks current conditions as of September 4:

Bear Lake State Park Marina: Launch Ramp OPEN 67 degrees  
Deer Creek State Park: Launch Ramp CLOSED 68 degrees (35% full)  
East Canyon State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN 65 degrees (70% full)  
Wide Hollow at Escalante State Park: Launch Ramp CLOSED 70 degrees  
Great Salt Lake State Marina: Launch Ramp OPEN 80 degrees  
Gunlock State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN 78 degrees  
Huntington State Park: Launch Ramp CLOSED 72 degrees (33% full)  
Hyrum Lake State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN 78 degrees (67% full)  
Jordanelle State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN 70 degrees  
Millsite State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN 69 degrees (65% full)  
Otter Creek State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN 76 degrees (37% full)  
Palisade State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN 72 degrees (50% full)  
Piute State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN -78 degrees (20% full)  
Quail Creek State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN 83 degrees  
Red Fleet State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN 76 degrees  
Rockport State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN 73 degrees (90% full)

Sand Hollow State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN 81 degrees  
Scofield State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN 67 degrees (60% full)  
Starvation State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN 73 degrees  
Steinaker State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN 76 degrees  
Utah Lake State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN 77 degrees  
Willard Bay State Park: Launch Ramp CLOSED 78 degrees (45% full)  
Yuba State Park: Launch Ramp OPEN 72 degrees  
Strawberry: Launch Ramp OPEN 65 degrees  
Flaming Gorge: Launch Ramp OPEN 70 degrees

### **News from Ryan Shupe & the RubberBand**

Just a reminder... we have a big show coming up this Friday, Sept 7th at Thanksgiving Point. There will be an awesome light show, big video screens, and great music. It is guaranteed to be a fun time for everyone.

Here are the details:

Sept 7

Lehi, Utah

Thanksgiving Point Waterfall Amphitheatre

The address is 3003 N. Thanksgiving Way, Lehi, UT  
tickets are available by calling (801)768-4900 or toll free (888)672-6040

or online at [ticketmaster.com](http://ticketmaster.com)

<http://m1e.net/c?72244721-16bmtR0MXHyx2%402726053-ujkbJAIBwIkz%2e rcatid=10001&minorcatid=60>

Thanks for all of your support, and we look forward to seeing you at Thanksgiving Point!

Check out the website for more info...

<http://m1e.net/c?72244721-SRqJgpPLYCYTI%402726054-4uZ5N8gfMG/tA>

We will be touring this fall to: SD, VA, NC, AL, GA, ID and AZ

Thanks, Ryan Shupe & the RubberBand

**Utah Wildlife Board Meeting September 6, 2007, 9:00 A.M., DNR Auditorium  
1594 W. North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah**

**AGENDA**

**Thursday, September 6, 2007**

1. Approval of Agenda **ACTION**  
– Paul Niemeyer, Chairman
2. Approval of Minutes **ACTION**  
– Paul Niemeyer
3. Old Business/Action Log **CONTINGENT**  
– Rick Woodard, Vice-Chair
4. DWR Update **INFORMATION**  
– Jim Karpowitz, DWR Director
5. **Time Certain – 9:00 am – Jerold C. Kennicott** **BOARD APPEAL**
6. Fee Proposal **ACTION**  
- Greg Sheehan, Administrative Services Chief
7. CWMU Rule R657-37 **ACTION**  
- Boyde Blackwell, Private Lands/Public Wildlife Program Manager
8. Waterfowl Proclamation and Rule R657-09 **ACTION**  
- Tom Aldrich, Wildlife Program Coordinator
9. Turkey Proclamation and Rule R657-54 **ACTION**  
- Dennis Southerland, Wildlife Program Coordinator
10. Convention Permits Rule R657-55 **ACTION**  
- Kenny Johnson, Information Analyst
11. Convention Report and Permits **ACTION**  
- Craig McLaughlin, Wildlife Section Chief
12. Other Business **CONTINGENT**  
– Paul Niemeyer

- Mid-Winter Travel
- Youth Hunter Recruitment Committee – Board Member Rep.
- Scheduling of upcoming Board Appeals
- Mid-Winter Training for RAC Chairs and Board Members

## **Visa Jump Meet Ends with Doubleheader**

### ***Jerome, Johnson, Van shine for U.S. squad***

PARK CITY, Utah (Sept. 2) - The summer phase of the women's ski jumping Continental Cup schedule came to a wild finish under the lights Sunday night at Utah Olympic Park following a rare two-meets-in-a-day lineup. "I saw a lot I liked," said first-year U.S. Head Coach Kjell Ivar Magnusson.

The doubleheader schedule was required because erratic winds Saturday night pushed that competition into Sunday morning. Then, just before the final event was to begin at 5:30 p.m., a thunder, lightning and rain storm hit the Park City area, forcing nearly a one-hour delay before organizers were able to stage the final meet where jumpers land on plastic matting covering the hill; when sprayed with water, it simulates snowy conditions enabling better preseason training.

Austrian Daniela Iraschko, the Continental Cup points leader - who, coincidentally, won the first two official Continental Cup meets at UOP in July 2004, won both events Sunday. Anette Sagen of Norway, the defending Cup champion, was second in each meet, including finishing a half-point back under the lights as the Visa Women's International Ski Jumping Festival, presented by Industrial Supply and backcountry.com, concluded.

Jessica Jerome (Park City, UT) and Alissa Johnson (also Park City) had the top performances in the morning; Jerome tied for sixth place while Johnson, back in action after suffering an ankle sprain in Germany last month, was eighth. At night, Lindsey Van (also Park City) was the best American, finishing ninth.

"The girls were so close - I saw a lot I liked, especially in the second competition. And now we have three months to prepare even better," said Magnusson. "I know them better and we have time to make a stronger individual plan for each of them. That starts [at a Team meeting Monday]."

"It was so frustrating," Jerome said after the first event as winds created numerous holds in the action. "Yeah, it's an outside sport, and we know these things can happen, but...arrrrghhhh!"

Van, No. 3 in the standings last season and second the two previous years, felt good about her final jump, which moved her up three spots into the top 10 at night, but said, "I'm really looking forward to these next three months, dialing-in my technique and jumping. Kjell's such an awesome coach."

The Continental Cup schedule, the highest level of women's jumping, resumes Dec. 11-12 in Notodden, Norway.

Another overflow crowd - attracted by the mid-afternoon sunshine and the variety of events (and free admission) - turned out for the second day in a row. Several hundred watched the morning jump meet, but a couple of thousand spectators sprawled on the out-run grass, at picnic tables and throughout the UOP jumping complex. "It was awesome to see this support," Johnson said. Jerome added, "This was great. There was so much energy in the crowd...[Saturday], even though we couldn't jump because of the winds and again today."

## **CONTINENTAL CUP WOMEN'S SKI JUMPING**

Visa Women's International Ski Jumping Festival

Utah Olympic Park

Park City, Utah - Sept. 2, 2007

HS100 (jump distances in meters)

Morning meet (postponed from Saturday)

1. Daniela Iraschko, Austria, (96.5-85 meters) 226.5 points
2. Anette Sagen, Norway, (103-87) 216.0
3. Jacqueline Seifriedsberger, Norway, (91.5-82.5) 215.0
4. Nata de Leeuw, Canada, (90.5-83.5) 210.5
5. Salome Fuchs, Switzerland, (91.5-80.5) 203.5

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6T. Jessica Jerome, Park City, UT, (85-82.5)

8. Alissa Johnson, Park City, UT, (89-78.5) 190.5

12. Avery Ardovino, Park City, UT, (86-74) 176.5

13. Lindsey Van, Park City, UT, (85.5-70) 169.0

15. Brenna Ellis, Park City, UT, (82.5-67) 151.5

25. Karin Friberg, Roseville, MN, (64-58) 90.0

26. Elisabeth Anderson, Eau Claire, WI, (61.5-54) 73.0

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Evening meet

1. Daniela Iraschko, Austria, (79-99.5) 221.5

2. Anette Sagen, Norway, (80.5-99) 221.0

3. Nata de Leeuw, Canada, (82.5-93) 215.0
4. Salome Fuchs, Switzerland, (82-92) 208.0
5. Jacqueline Seifriedsberger, Austria, (79-93.5) 205.0
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9. Lindsey Van, Park City, UT, (73.5-88.5) 188.5
12. Jessica Jerome, Park City, UT, (72.5-88.5) 180.5
13. Alissa Johnson, Park City, UT, (75-85.5) 177.0
15. Avery Ardovino, Park City, UT, (74.5-81.5) 168.5
20. Brenna Ellis, Park City, UT, (69.5-76.5) 147.0
25. (tie) Elisabeth Anderson, Eau Claire, WI, (61.5-67) and Karin Friberg, Roseville, MN, (61.5-69.5) 101.5 each

## FISHING REPORT FOR SOUTHEASTERN UTAH

### ABAJO MOUNTAINS:

Monticello

#### Figure 3

and Foy have been the top-producing fisheries during the month of August. This past week, DWR biologists conducted a fish population survey at Recapture Reservoir. The reservoir holds a fair number of pike—some as large as 32 inches. Biologists also encountered a sizable population of bass up to 2.5 pounds. For both pike and bass, Justin Hart recommends crankbaits or large plastic jigs. Red seems to be a good color. Try still-fishing near rocks and vegetation. For trollers, try the northeast side for the best success. The reservoir also holds a lot of fat, 10- to 12-inch bullheads, which can be caught on worms or commercial catfish bait.



*Paul Birdsey, Regional Aquatics Program Manager, holding a pike, captured in a trap net at Recapture Reservoir. The pike weighed 4.5 pounds and measured 32 inches.*

**BENCHES RESERVOIR:** The catch-rate was fair to good. During a creel survey, most anglers were found to be using a worm and bubble separated by two feet of leader. Spincasters had good luck with Panther Martin spinners. Todd Munford of

Kings Outdoor World described fishing as good. He recommends rainbow PowerBait or a worm/mallow combo.

**BLUE LAKE:** (near Emerald Lake) Small (6- to 10-inch) grayling and 8- to 10-inch rainbow occur in this high elevation lake. Justin Hart recommends scuds or double renegades.

**BLUE LAKE:** (near Grassy Lake) Rob Toler recommends a Blue Fox spinner for pan-size trout.

**BOULGERS RESERVOIR:** Fishing was fair over the weekend. The best tackle was a worm/ white marshmallow combo. If that doesn't work, try orange or rainbow PowerBait.

**CLEVELAND RESERVOIR:** Fishing success ranges from fair to good. The best fishing occurs in the early morning with a worm/PowerBait combo. The best PowerBait colors are green and rainbow. Spinners haven't been very effective lately.

**COVE LAKE:** (on the South Skyline Drive) Rainbows up to 16 inches have been taken with a fly and bubble. Try a scud or double renegade.

**DUCK FORK RESERVOIR:** Try a #10 beadhead Canada blood leech or #10 beadhead scud. Tigers range from 10 to 17 inches. A Panther Martin spinner with a black body and gold blade was effective. Special regulations apply. Refer to the proclamation.

**ELECTRIC LAKE:** Try a nightcrawler/salmon egg combo on the north end.

**EMERALD LAKE:** (on the south Skyline Drive) Try a scud or double renegade for 6- to 10-inch grayling or rainbows.

**FAIRVIEW LAKES:** Todd Munford of King's Outdoor World reported excellent fly-fishing from a tube or toon. He suggests finding open water and fishing around weed beds. Fast strip red crystal buggers on sinking line. Using this technique, Todd caught and released 15 fat 12- to 14-inch rainbows in just over an hour. Baitcasters should try rainbow sparkle PowerBait and worms, which was a killer combo last week.

**GIGLIOTTI POND:** Conservation Officer Chris Pugliese reports slow fishing.

**GOOSEBERRY RESERVOIR:** Fishing conditions have been poor. No recommendations.

**GREEN RIVER:** Cast a piece of nightcrawler into eddy pools for 12-inch catfish.

**HUNTINGTON CREEK:** Dedicated Hunter Ryan Dimick interviewed anglers and reported that spincasters had the best luck using Panther Martin lures with gold or silver blades. Fly fishermen had the best luck with black ants, black woolly buggers or elk hair caddis patterns. Tom Ogden has had good luck with the following patterns: #10 beadhead Montana, #12 beadhead hare's ear, or #12 beadhead ugly. Special regulations exist on Huntington Creek. Please consult the proclamation.

**HUNTINGTON NORTH STATE PARK:** Dedicated Hunter Ryan Dimick reported good trout fishing on Saturday for anglers using mealworms or nightcrawlers. Others had good luck with green or orange PowerBait. In August, two trophy catfish were landed. One weighed 27 pounds and the other weighed 25 pounds. Both were caught from the bank in the late evening. One was taken with a nightcrawler and the other was hooked with raw chicken liver.

**HUNTINGTON RESERVOIR:** (also known as MAMMOTH RESERVOIR) Tressa Christianson fished over the weekend. During a three-hour period, she saw only three fish caught among all anglers at the lake. Fishing is poor. This reservoir has special regulations. Please refer to the proclamation.

**JOE'S VALLEY RESERVOIR:** Slow fishing continues. The best year-round bait is a Utah chub, which can be caught at the reservoir. Special regulations apply. The limit is two fish, of which only one may be over 22 inches. All trout from 15 to 22 inches must be immediately released.

**LAKE POWELL:** Visit [www.wayneswords.com](http://www.wayneswords.com) for the fishing report, provided by Wayne Gustaveson, DWR project leader.

**LASAL MOUNTAINS:** Sergeant J. Shirley reported good fishing at Dark Canyon with worms or PowerBait. A black woolly bugger or PowerBait is recommended for Warner Lake. At Ken's Lake, try a purple plastic worm for 9- to 16-inch bass. The Mill Creek Bridge remains under construction and will be impassable until November. Anglers wanting to fish Oowah must access the lake from the south end of the LaSal Mountain Loop Road. Warner Lake fishermen will need to come from the Castle Valley side.

**MILLSITE RESERVOIR:** Park Manager Dan Richards suggests trolling with Shad Raps or Roostertails in 6 to 12 feet of water. Bank fishing is best on rocky shorelines in the evening with worms or PowerBait.

**PETE'S HOLE:** Fishing was good with worms and salmon eggs.

**POTTER'S PONDS:** Rob Toler reported good fishing with orange PowerBait and worms. Good flies included woolly buggers or renegades. Silver Mepp's spinners with orange blades are a good bet for spincasters.

**SCOFIELD RESERVOIR:** Tom Ogden fished the east side from a tube on Saturday. He used a size 8 beadhead olive woolly bugger and caught a few rainbows, but described fishing as slow. Tom fished again on Monday and did a little better, until 10 a.m. when a mayfly hatch occurred. The best bank fishing is found along the east shoreline off the rocks in the early morning. Orange or orange sparkle PowerBait is a good bet for 12- to 14-inch rainbows. Boats may still be launched from the Mountain View unit.

**WILLOW RESERVOIR:** Fly casters should try a #8 beadhead woolly bugger in yellow/black.

## **MyOutdoorTV.com Launches "The Showroom"**

### *Hunting, Fishing, and Boating Products Featured in Video Demonstrations*

*September 5, 2007 (Nashville)* - When a catalog photo just doesn't tell the whole story about that new hunting or fishing item you're considering, you can see it in action in The Showroom, the latest section launched by [MyOutdoorTV.com](http://MyOutdoorTV.com), the world's largest internet video network for outdoor programming.

The new [Showroom](#) presents product video created by the manufacturer, so you can see exactly how the item is intended to be used. Gear for hunting, fishing, boating, and other outdoors activities are featured. And, if you're sold on the item after viewing the video, you can even click the "Buy Now" button that allows you to make a purchase or connects you to the manufacturer's website for dealer information.

Finding the gear you're interested in couldn't be easier. You can search by section, such as hunting or fishing; by category, such as lures or firearms; or by manufacturer. If you prefer to window-shop, you can check out the "Spotlight"

product, the week's "Hot" list, or the "Top 10" list, or simply scroll through the featured products.

"Research shows that in certain categories of outdoor products, 85% of consumers conduct research on the internet before making a purchase," commented [Chris Moise](#), CEO of MyOutdoorTV.com. "But most manufacturers' websites aren't equipped to stream product video, and the high-quality videos they produce for dealers, trade shows, and sales training don't usually reach outdoors enthusiasts who would like to see product demonstrations. With The Showroom, consumers have the opportunity to learn from the source that knows the most about the product - the manufacturer."

[MyOutdoorTV.com](#) currently streams over 100 outdoor TV show titles, with new shows being added weekly, and reaches more than 75 million viewers with high-speed internet access. Viewing is always **FREE, 24/7**, with no registration required.

In addition, MyOutdoorTV.com offers radio shows; the "[State Explorer](#)," which streams outdoor TV shows from state wildlife agencies and provides links to their websites; MyOutdoorWiki, a user-generated outdoors encyclopedia; and sections for outfitters, destinations, cooking, outdoor news, and much more.

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## **News from Stampede**

Hey Howdy all y'all.....I normally wouldn't stoop to begging for votes but in this case, it's a must as it's the only way for me to get the word out let people know this:

Recently, the Western Folklife Center in Elko along with Gibson Guitars and the Paul G. Allen Family Foundation announced a songwriting contest for songs that are written about or inspired by the Yellowstone/Teton area. So I decided, "What the heck" and sat down and started writing. I ended up with 4 and entered 2 of them in the contest...one pretty little waltzy thing called "The Wyoming Waltz" and "The Yellowstone Song". I received word today that 1 of my songs has made the Top 16 out over 130 entries. I just about fell off my chair backwards when it said "The Yellowstone Song"!! It's a riot, it's fun and it was written with kids in

mind...sort of campfire-ish type of song.....think 12 Days of Christmas only about Yellowstone...with 10 verses and different actions to go with each verse. It's great fun for singing in the car!

So, at the last minute, I took 2 of my grandkids and their 3 best friends in to the studio (much to the dismay of our studio guy, Derek) and we sat on the floor in a circle and sang the song. It's an absolute hoot and I've had people tell me they have found themselves singing along and then they can't get the song out of their heads.



You'll get to hear at least a part of it when you go in to vote. The kids, all between the ages of 5-10, did an awesome job and it's almost as effective as yodeling to get people to smile.

This is where I need your help. Beginning Friday, Sept 7th, I need you to go to [www.westernfolklife.org](http://www.westernfolklife.org), scroll down a little bit and you'll come to the part about the Yellowstone & Teton Song Contest. I need you to all tell everyone you know to do the same thing and so on and so on.....kind of like that shampoo commercial. I have a lot riding on this. I already owe those kids a pizza party because we made it to the Top 16. I told them if I won, that I would make it even better and find something really cool and fun for us all to do.

So please tell all your friends to vote and vote OFTEN (if the rules allow you to).

Thanks for all your help. Let me know what you think of the song when you hear it.

Yodelingly Yours  
Terri Taylor, the Epiglottis Goddess  
**STAMPEDE!**

## **Rocky Mountain Goat Capture and Release**

*Sept. 10*

As many as 15 Rocky Mountain goats will be captured on the Tushar Mountains east of Beaver on Sept. 10. The capture will be done utilizing a helicopter and net guns. After the capture, the goats will be airlifted to a staging area where Division of Wildlife Resources biologists will check the overall health of the animals and prepare them for shipping.

After the goats are processed and loaded, many of them will be shipped to the top of Mount Loafer in Utah County.

You can watch as the goats are flown to the staging area by helicopter and DWR biologists work with them.

The area where the goats will be captured is at a high elevation, and it's very difficult to access. DWR videographers will film the capture and can provide their video to you.

DWR Videographer Reed Sherman can also provide you with additional footage that he shot of the goats on the Tushar Mountains a few weeks ago.

### **Capture**

What: Rocky Mountain goat capture

Where: Tushar Mountains, east of Beaver

When: Sept. 10. The helicopter will begin flying shortly after first light and will quit when the temperature gets too hot to maneuver the helicopter safely.

Directions: Directions to capture staging area: Take SR-153 east from Beaver for about 16 miles to the "BIG JOHN FLAT" turn off. Follow this road for about 4 miles to the "BIG JOHN FLAT CAMPGROUND."

Why: The herd on the Tushar Mountains has increased and is currently above the population numbers agreed to in a management plan. The capture is taking place to reduce the herd size and to bolster other herds.

### **Release**

What: Rocky Mountain goat release.

Where: Near the top of Mount Loafer east of Woodland Hills in Utah County.

When: The release will probably take place in the late afternoon on Sept. 10 (depending on how the capture project east of Beaver progresses).

Details: The road to the release site is very steep, rocky and narrow. Scott Root will try to accommodate as many journalists as possible, but please RSVP Scott so he can give you directions to the site and tell you more about this road (please call Scott at (801) 376-7076 (cell) or (801) 491-5656).

Scott will shoot video of the release and tape interviews if you're interested in the release but you can't attend.

### **Apply for a Cougar Permit Starting Sept. 19**

*Applications accepted only online this year*

If you want to apply for a cougar hunting permit for Utah's upcoming season, you'll have to apply on the Internet.

The Division of Wildlife Resources will not accept paper applications for limited entry cougar permits this year.

You can apply for a cougar permit at [www.wildlife.utah.gov](http://www.wildlife.utah.gov) starting Sept. 19. Applications must be received through the Web site no later than 11 p.m. on Oct. 4.

Draw results will be available by Nov. 6.

"If you've never applied for a permit online before, and you have questions about how to do it, please drop by or call a DWR office," says Judi Tutorow, wildlife licensing coordinator for the DWR. "We have computers you can use and staff members who can help you through the process."

Tutorow also reminds you that if you draw a permit for a limited entry area, you may not buy a permit to hunt on a harvest objective area. "Before you apply for a limited entry permit, make sure you know which hunt you want to participate in," she says.

For more information, call the nearest Division of Wildlife Resources office or the DWR's Salt Lake City office at (801) 538-4700.

### **See Thousands of Kokanee Salmon**

*Strawberry Wildlife Festival set for Sept. 14 and 15*

Strawberry Reservoir -- Thousands of fluorescent red kokanee salmon should make an appearance at the annual Friends of Strawberry Valley Wildlife Festival.

The festival will be held Sept. 14 and 15 at the U.S. Forest Service visitor center at Strawberry Reservoir. The visitor center is along US-40, about 20 miles southeast of Heber City.

## Strawberry Wildlife Festival

The festival is held annually to highlight the September spawn of the salmon and to celebrate the many other wildlife species that are found in the valley. A fish trap and egg-taking facility is located behind the visitor

**Figure 4**

center.

Biologists from the Division of Wildlife Resources will be available at the facility to talk with you about the peculiar life cycle of these fish.



Festival activities will run from noon to 6 p.m. on Sept. 14, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sept. 15. Activities include a chance to hook and land a ‘virtual’ fish on a fishing simulator; an animal tracks display; a fishing booth for the kids; and a replica of the Strawberry Reservoir state record cutthroat trout caught in 1930.

Smokey Bear will also be on hand, and several other booths and displays will be available.

The festival ends at 5 p.m. on Sept. 15 with an “Ice Fishing the ‘Berry” fishing clinic presented in the visitor center by angler Dan Potts.

### More information

For more information, call the Uinta National Forest at (435) 654-0470 or Scott Root with the Division of Wildlife Resources at (801) 491-5656.

The festival is sponsored by the Division of Wildlife Resources; the U.S. Forest Service/Uinta National Forest; the Strawberry Anglers Association, Wasatch County; American Land & Leisure; the Utah Snowmobile Association; the National Wild Turkey Federation; the Salt Lake County Fish & Game Association; and other organizations.

## **Fishing Tournaments: Should Utah's Rules Change?**

*Fishing proposals for 2008 season will be discussed too*

Should the fishing tournament rules in Utah be changed to draw big-name fishing tournaments to the state?

The Division of Wildlife Resources would like to know your thoughts about that question.

You can provide your ideas several ways, including at a series of upcoming public meetings. At the meetings, the DWR will also seek input about proposals for Utah's 2008 fishing season.

Citizens from Utah's five Regional Advisory Councils will take the public input received at the meetings to the Utah Wildlife Board when it meets Oct. 4 in Salt Lake City. Members of the board are expected to approve Utah's 2008 Fishing Guide at the meeting.

The RAC representatives will also share the input received about the fishing tournament rules. The board will not vote on those rules at the Oct. 4 meeting, however.

Meeting dates, times and locations are as follows:

### **Southern Region**

Sept. 11

7 p.m.

Beaver High School

195 E. Center St.

Beaver

### **Central Region**

Sept. 18

6:30 p.m.

Springville Junior High School

165 S. 700 E.

Springville

### **Southeastern Region**

Sept. 12

6:30 p.m.

John Wesley Powell Museum

885 E. Main St.

Green River

### **Northern Region**

Sept. 19

6 p.m.

Brigham City Community Center

24 N. 300 W.

Brigham City

### **Northeastern Region**

Sept. 13

6:30 p.m.

Western Park, Rm. #2

302 E. 200 S.

Vernal

## **Fishing tournaments**

The DWR has been approached about changing Utah's fishing tournament rules. Changing the rules could help draw big-name warm water fishing tournaments to Utah. And that could help local communities and the state's economy.

One area the DWR is seeking public input about is how the fish caught in these tournaments should be weighed and measured.

One option is to allow anglers to temporarily possess fish that they normally wouldn't be able to have in their possession.

For example, at some waters, anglers can't possess fish that are more than 12 inches long. Should Utah's fishing tournament rules be changed so competitors could take fish longer than 12 inches to a weigh station on shore before releasing the fish back into the water?

Another option is to place a paid judge in each angler's boat. In the boat, the judge would weigh and measure each fish boat before it was placed back in the water.

A third option is to put two anglers who don't know each other into the same boat, and have them weigh and measure each other's fish.

In addition to fishing tournaments, the DWR also wants public input about the best way to manage fishing contests. Catching a fish that has been tagged and then released into a water is one example of a fishing contest. Fishing contests involve luck more than skill.

"We need to take a good look at fishing tournaments and contests," says Drew Cushing, warm water fisheries coordinator for the DWR. "We need the public's input to help us determine the best way to manage these public events."

If you can't attend one of the upcoming meetings, you can still get your comments to the DWR. Please e-mail them to [DWRComments@utah.gov](mailto:DWRComments@utah.gov). You can also mail your comments to Warm Water Fisheries Coordinator, Division of Wildlife Resources, P.O. Box 146301, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84114-6301.

Your comments about tournaments and contests must be received no later than Oct. 15.

"We're gathering input right now," Cushing says. "Once we've received that input, we'll present specific proposals to the public at another series of meetings in November."

## **2008 fishing rules**

In addition to Utah's fishing tournaments rules, proposals for Utah's 2008 fishing season also will be discussed at the meetings. The following are among the DWR's proposals:

- Allow anglers to fillet fish at most of Utah's fishing waters. The only exceptions would be Strawberry Reservoir, Panguitch Lake and Jordanelle Reservoir (smallmouth bass are the only fish anglers would not be allowed to fillet at Jordanelle). The DWR has biological and law enforcement concerns about filleting fish at these waters.

"This change would allow anglers to take advantage of fish cleaning stations and get their fish ready for the table before they got home," Cushing says.

- Underwater spearfishing:

- Make spearfishing limits the same as the regular limits at waters where spearfishing is allowed.

- Add Jordanelle, Yuba and Pineview reservoirs to the list of waters where spearfishing is allowed. Anglers at Pineview would not be allowed to spearfish tiger muskies, however.

- Drop Joes Valley Reservoir from the list of waters where you can spearfish.

- The spearfishing season would run June 1 – Nov. 30, 2008. Anglers who spearfish could take game and nongame fish that were legal to take at the water they're fishing. They could also take carp at any water in Utah as long as the fishing season for that water was open.

- Change the state's bait and bait fish restrictions to keep bait fish that might have aquatic diseases out of Utah, particularly those from the Great Lakes region. The only bait fish anglers could have are the species that are currently found in Utah.
- Allow anglers to keep up to 10 yellow perch at Yuba Reservoir in central Utah. Between Jan. 1 and April 30, anglers would be required to keep all of the yellow perch they caught, up to their 10-perch limit.

- Allow anglers to keep up to six bass at Sand Hollow Reservoir in southwestern Utah. Only one of those bass could be longer than 12 inches.
- Replace special regulations at several Utah streams with the general statewide regulation, and simplify regulations at other waters.

East Canyon Creek, the South Fork of the Ogden River and Wheatgrass Creek are three of the streams that would be put under general statewide regulations. The general statewide regulation allows anglers to catch and have up to four trout in their possession. There's no restriction on the size or species of trout.

“There's no longer a biological reason to keep these streams under special regulations,” says Roger Wilson, cold water fisheries coordinator for the DWR. “Placing them under the general statewide regulation would make it easier to know what the regulations are and allow anglers to keep a few more fish.”

### **Wolf Mountain to host downhill mountain biking race, for top local riders.**

WOLFMOUNTAIN EDEN , UT –

In celebration of our freshman year of our mountain biking season, Wolf Mountain will host a racer appreciation, timed, top to bottom downhill race, on September 22<sup>nd</sup>

This will be a 1000 ft vertical drop, double black diamond race, with all the top riders from the area. Having the course laid out by Dave Beason, who was 2006 downhill world champion, should ensure a challenging descent.

Registration is at 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 the race will begin at 10:00 and run till all entrants complete the course. The entrance fee to the race is free.

“Working with the guys that are excited about the sport and filling the freeride niche, has been a fulfilling experience.” said Brian Cain, Assistant Mountain Manger. We are looking forward to hosting more events' like this next year and watching our program expand and grow into more diverse terrain and trails.

Race sponsored by: Go Ride, Bikers Edge, Diamond Peak , Lizard Skin and Wolf Mountain

## **What Utahans Need to Know About Disaster Preparedness.** **By Elton W. Ringsak, SBA Region VIII Administrator**

Hurricanes, floods, wildfires, tornadoes and other natural disaster leave thousands homeless and businesses ruined in their wake. Small businesses are particularly vulnerable to the catastrophe of losing important financial records when they fail to back up that data and store important records offsite. Utah is not immune from natural disasters. This summer's many wildfires are a perfect example of why it is critical to prepare for a disaster before they happen.

Homeowners, renters and business owners should prepare for the inevitability of disaster.

The U.S. Small Business Administration offers the following suggestions for a disaster preparedness plan:

- Business owners should start by identifying the company's vulnerabilities. Look at external risks such as flooding, or wind damage if your business is located in an area where tornadoes or hurricanes occur. Create your disaster plan with the aim of mitigating those risks.
- Develop plans to remain in operation if your office, plant or store is unusable. Look at your critical functions and make sure you know how to keep them operational. The plan will provide a road map of how to operate your business during a crisis. You will then want to test the plan to make sure it works for you.
- Adequate insurance coverage is essential. Review your current policy to make sure you understand what is not covered. Most policies don't cover flood damage. The National Flood Insurance Program provides coverage to property owners. For more information, go to the NFIP Web site at [www.floodsmart.gov](http://www.floodsmart.gov).
- When shopping for insurance, think about property damage as well as the loss of revenue and extra expenses that arise while the business is shut down.
- Business owners should consider business interruption insurance, which covers operating expenses in the event of a business shutdown. According to the Institute for Insurance Information, business interruption insurance is not sold

separately, but added to a property insurance policy or included in a package policy.

- Business interruption insurance compensates you for lost income if your company has to vacate the premises because of a disaster. It covers the profits you would have earned, based on your financial records, if the disaster had not occurred. It also covers operating expenses, like electricity, that continue even though the business has temporarily shut down.
- Homeowners, renters and business owners should make copies of important records, back up data saved on computer hard drives, and store that information at a distant offsite location. Business owners should make backup copies of critical records and store them at a remote offsite location—the farther away the better. Documents and CDs should be stored in fire-proof safe deposit boxes.
- Information protection and storage companies like Iron Mountain and Unicom provide data protection solutions. Another good idea is to send backup data to a trusted third-party office, who can make sure you have your data when you need it.
- If you own the building where you do business, upgrades can be made to the property, based on the hazards in your area. For instance, if you live in the part of the country where windstorms occur, consider installing impact-resistant windows and doors. Make sure the roof can weather a storm.
- In the case of an approaching hurricane or heavy rainstorm, cover the computers, inventory and other equipment with waterproof tarpaulins. Get items off the floor. It's a good idea to assess the impact a natural disaster would have on your facility, and then take the steps to prevent possible future damage.
- A communications strategy is a key post-disaster recovery strategy. Phone numbers and e-mail addresses for your insurance carrier, suppliers, creditors, employees and customers, the local media, utility companies, and the appropriate emergency response and recovery agencies should be updated regularly. This list should be maintained by a key employee, and a backup person. Appoint a spokesperson to get the word out that your business is still open to dispel rumors of business failure.

More preparedness tips for businesses, homeowners and renters are available on the SBA's Web site at <http://www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance/index.html>. The Institute for Business and Home Safety ([www.ibhs.org](http://www.ibhs.org)) also has information on protecting your home or business. The federal government's preparedness Web site [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) is another helpful resource. For information on SBA's programs and services, contact the Utah District Office at (801) 524-3209.

## **Glen Canyon NRA Seeks Comments on ORV Management Plan and EIS**

The National Park Service (NPS) is developing an off-road vehicle (ORV) management plan and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Glen Canyon National Recreation Area (NRA) in Arizona and Utah. Glen Canyon NRA is located in Coconino County, Arizona and Kane, Garfield, San Juan, and Wayne Counties in Utah.

The NPS is seeking your comments during a 30-day public scoping period to identify issues and alternatives for analysis in the EIS. The purpose of this planning effort is to evaluate a range of alternatives to manage ORV use at Glen Canyon's vehicle-accessible shoreline locations, and at the Lone Rock Beach area.

In addition, this planning effort will evaluate alternatives to manage All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) travel on Glen Canyon's 388-mile road network and in other areas. The goal is to ensure protection of Glen Canyon's resources, to protect public safety, and to provide a range of appropriate recreational opportunities to the public.

This evaluation of ORV use is needed to address the changing visitor use conditions associated with the fluctuating lake levels, and to address changes in Arizona and Utah state traffic codes.

If the EIS selects an alternative that allows any off-road vehicle use within Glen Canyon NRA, the park will promulgate a special regulation to authorize this use.

Public participation will be a key component of this multi-year planning effort. Glen Canyon is accepting public comments on the ORV management plan/EIS through October 1, 2007.

You may provide comments to Glen Canyon through the mail, on-line, by hand delivery, or at one of three public workshops listed below.

**Wednesday, September 5, 2007 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**  
Interagency Visitor Center  
755 West Main  
Escalante, UT

**Thursday, September 20, 2007 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**  
Glen Canyon NRA HQ  
691 Scenic View Drive  
Page, AZ

**Monday, September 24, 2007 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**  
Monticello Welcome Center  
216 S. Main Street  
Monticello, UT

**Comment online:**

National Park Service's Planning, Environment & Public Comment website  
<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/glca>

**Submit written comments to:**

ORV Management Plan  
Glen Canyon NRA  
PO Box 1507  
Page, AZ 86040-1507

**Hand-deliver comments to:**

Glen Canyon NRA Headquarters:  
691 Scenic View Drive  
Page, AZ

For more information contact Kevin Schneider, Glen Canyon NRA at (928) 608-6200 or Brian Sweatland, Glen Canyon NRA, Recreation Planner at (928) 608-6342

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact BRC.

Thanks in advance for your involvement,  
Brian Hawthorne  
Public Lands Policy Director  
BlueRibbon Coalition  
208-237-1008 ext 102

## **YOUTH ATV, OFF-HIGHWAY MOTORCYCLE COURSE AVAILABLE IN JUAB COUNTY**

Utah State Parks and Recreation offers the state-required, youth all-terrain vehicle (ATV) and off-highway motorcycle (OHM) education course in Juab County at 10 a.m. Saturday, September 29 at the Juab County Fairgrounds. Students must pre-register for this class.

According to Yuba State Park Assistant Manager Chris Evans, youth age eight to 16 are required by state law to take a safety class prior to operating all types of ATVs on public lands or trails. To pre-register or for more information about Utah off-highway vehicle programs, please call 1-800-648-7433 (1-800-OHV-RIDE).

### **The Greatest Snow On Earth Gets Even Better**

SALT LAKE CITY, UT (September 7, 2007) - Having just turned the corner towards winter, skiers and snowboarders are eagerly awaiting another epic Utah ski season. After Utah's fourth consecutive record-breaking year of skier visits, the state's 13 resorts have been working hard all summer to improve the skiing experience they offer to visitors and locals alike. Here's what's new on the slopes for the 2007-08 winter season:

#### **Alta Ski Area**

**NEW TICKETS:** Alta is implementing a skier-friendly, web-friendly, hands-free ticketing system. All ski products will be loaded on the Alta Card, which will have an RFID (radio frequency identification) chip embedded in it to allow access through entry gates to the lifts. The hands-free system means no more showing a pass at every lift. Skiers place the Alta Card, with a valid ski product loaded on it, inside a pocket by itself and leave it there for the day; antennas will do the rest. At the end of the day, skiers can visit [alta.com](http://alta.com) and enter the Web ID on the Alta Card to personalize the card, track ski history and reload the card. On the next ski day, skiers can go straight to the lifts and skip the extra stop at the ticket office.

**SKIING GREEN:** Alta Ski Area is a Visionary Partner with Rocky Mountain Power through the Blue Sky program. Alta's commitment to clean, renewable wind energy is reflected in its promise to purchase 900,000 kilowatt-hours (kWh) for the next twelve-month period, offsetting over 23 percent of Alta's traditional energy consumption. The environmental impact is equivalent to avoiding 900 tons of CO2 emissions per year.

## Beaver Mountain

**69 YEARS!:** Beaver Mountain will be celebrating their 69th season. As one of the last family-owned and operated resorts in the United States, many skiers and snowboarders are still flocking to the genuine ski experience that Beaver Mountain has been able to maintain. As a result, they are expanding their parking lots to better accommodate their guests.



## Brian Head Resort

**BRIAN HEAD RESORT GETS INTERCONNECTED:** There have not been many changes in the past 20 years at Brian Head Resort, but this summer, without disrupting the serenity of Brian Head, a transformation has been in progress. The quaint resort, tucked away in southeastern Utah, is undergoing a dramatic expansion. Their two separate mountains, Giant Steps and Navajo, will become interconnected with two new lifts and a skier bridge across the highway which will add nearly 35% more terrain.

## Brighton Resort

**MILLY GETS A HIGH SPEED QUAD:**

Brighton's big news is the New Millicent High Speed Quad! The lift will replace the Evergreen and Millicent Chair lifts. The Millicent Chair was the first lift installed at Brighton in 1947 and then rebuilt to a Lift Engineering Chair in 1974. The new lift is a \$4.2 million Doppelmayr CTEC Detachable Quad. The lift will be 3,920 ft long with a vertical rise of 1,110 feet. Brighton skiers will be able to enjoy a quick, safe trip, with great terrain on the Millicent side of the mountain. When the lift is finished, Brighton will be unique in that 100% of its terrain will be accessible by high-speed lifts.

## The Canyons Resort

**ON THE RISE:** The Canyons Resort is undergoing some of the most significant development worldwide in the next 2-5 years. There are over a dozen sites either under construction or about to break ground, including the addition of a Golden Door Spa that will be located in The Dakota Mountain Lodge. Visitors will also enjoy the new Silverado Lodge, which officially opened last March complete with

beautiful suites, concierge, shuttle service, a year-round pool and state-of-the-art fitness center.

**DREAM SKIING:** The Canyons is glading out more of the new Dream Catcher area which opened up more than 200 acres of terrain in the 06-07 season. A hidden secret on the mountain last season, this season it is bound to be discovered by more people in search of epic runs and some of the best tree skiing in the West.

#### Deer Valley Resort

Deer Valley will invest \$9 million in the following improvements for the 2007-2008 season:

**LADY MORGAN EXPRESS:** A new high-speed detachable quad chairlift, Lady Morgan Express, will be built in the Empire Canyon area. The area will include over 200 new skiable acres, 65 acres of gladed skiing and eight new runs.

**HEAT IT UP:** Enhanced, energy efficient heater systems will be installed in all 22 chairlift terminals.

**HIGH-TECH SNOW MAINTENANCE:** New Snow Scan Ground Penetrating Radar, combined with a GPS system, will provide color coded maps of snow depth on any part of the mountain, allowing the resort to manage their snow more efficiently.

#### Park City Mountain Resort

**SKI THE TREES:** The landscape between Single Jack and Sunnyside runs has been dramatically changed by glading aspens to create aesthetically pleasing runs for intermediate and advanced skiers and riders. This area is called Motherlode Meadows and provides improved tree access to the Motherlode lift.

**NEW RUN:** A new run off of McConkey's lift, will bring the total run count to 106. The new trail, named Georgeanne after an old mining claim located in this area, will extend from the top of Tycoon to the bottom of McConkey's Bowl, providing low-intermediates an easier way down from McConkey's lift.

**LIGHTER ENERGY:** As part of Park City Mountain Resort's commitment to environmental sustainability, the Resort is working on a lighting retrofit using energy-efficient CFLs, more energy-efficient fluorescent bulbs and electronic ballasts in the corporate offices, the maintenance buildings and the Resort lodge. This retrofit will reduce the Resort's lighting energy use by 50 percent.

## Powder Mountain

**FACE LIFT:** After several seasons of record growth, the primary focus of the Powder Mountain management team is to adapt existing facilities to accommodate more guests and ensure exceptional service is delivered. The Sundown Resort Center and Hidden Lake Lodge will receive face lifts, not only to update their appearance, but also to improve the overall guest experience.

**NEW DEALS FOR LOCALS:** A new midweek discount card “Utah Powder Pass” for Utah residents. The card only costs \$30 if purchased by October 31st and will save participants \$13 from the cost of an all-day lift pass. With the Powder Pass, an adult day pass on Monday through Friday is discounted to \$40.

**SNOWKITE FESTIVAL:** The relatively new sport of Snowkiting will be the feature of a new festival at Powder Mountain on February 8–10, 2008. Daytime activities at the resort during the festival will include introductory kite clinics, kite demos, a freestyle competition and kitercross races. The festival is co-sponsored by Utah Kite Addiction, Utah’s first PASA certified snowkite school and Best Kiteboarding.

## Snowbasin

**GO BEYOND TRACKS:** Snowbasin will offer backcountry guided tours to groups of 2-10 skiers or boarders who are looking for a brilliant ski adventure. Connect with nature through half day tours which go into terrain within and outside Snowbasin’s permit boundary. Guided groups can load our lifts before they are open to the general public.

## Snowbird Ski & Summer Resort

**MORE GREAT SNOW:** Snowbird installed more snowmaking in Peruvian Gulch, providing snowmaking coverage from the top of the new Peruvian Express lift to the bottom.

**CHIPS STEPS IT UP:** Snowbird modified a segment of Chips Run to make the terrain more intermediate-skier friendly.

**BIG MOUNTAIN CAMPS:** In 2008, Dean Cummings brings his Big Mountain Camps for skiers and snowboarders to Snowbird, providing guests with the ultimate big mountain experience.

**NEW REAL ESTATE:** Mt. Superior Residence Club, the first new real estate development at Snowbird Ski & Summer Resort in over two decades, broke ground during the summer of 2007 and will open in 2009.

### Solitude

**GOLDEN AGE:** Solitude Mountain Resort celebrates their Golden Anniversary! 50 years ago, the first skiers descended off the slopes of Solitude in Big Cottonwood Canyon. Now boasting 1,200 acres of uncrowded terrain, including Honeycomb Canyon, and a European style lodging village, Solitude has truly grown into a world-class resort. This monumental season will be celebrated with historical podcasts and retro events.

### Sundance Resort

**NEW WEB SITE:** Sundance Resort is about to unveil a brand new Web site. The new site will be more animated and user friendly, containing the most up-to-date information on the Sundance experience. When planning your skiing or snowboarding adventure at Sundance, be sure to visit [www.sundanceresort.com](http://www.sundanceresort.com)

### Wolf Mountain

**WOLF LAIR TRIPLE CHAIR:** The new lift is located at the base of the mountain next to the Wolfdeedo Chair. This new lift serves the Wolf Lair Sports Park and increases capacity by approximately 1000 skiers/boarders per hour, bringing total lift capacity to 3500 riders per hour. In addition to servicing the park, this chair will expand the beginner ski terrain by 15%. "The addition of the "Lair Triple" will allow us to expand our offerings to first timers. We engineer our packages to be user friendly, from close proximity of parking to our learning center yurt, to the gentle terrain serviced by our beginner chairs," said Bill Cox, Wolf Mountain's general manager.

**FAMILY FUN:** Families can ski or ride from mid December through March, day or night... or both! Wolf Mountain offers a rental and accessory shop, learning center and day lodge. Continuing the tradition as the most affordable family resort, Wolf Mountain offers a different lift ticket special each night of the week and learn-to-ski/ride packages are still the best value in the area. Lessons include lift ticket, equipment rental and the lesson; a great way to learn to ski or ride without a huge financial investment.