

Quagga Mussel Update – Lake Powell

Biologist talks about threat in Colorado

Page, Ariz. -- So far, so good.

More than halfway through the boating season—and despite being surrounded by quagga- and zebra-mussel-infested waters outside of Utah—there is no indication that the devastating mussels have made their way into Lake Powell.

Biologists say **cleaning, draining** and **drying** your boat are the keys to keeping it that way.

Clean, drain and dry

An estimated 100,000 boats launch into Lake Powell every year. The most direct way for mussels to enter the lake is to hitch a ride on one of these boats.

The National Park Service and the states of Utah and Arizona recognized the mussel threat years ago. Vessels entering the Glen Canyon National Recreation Area have been screened for a decade. Boaters are questioned about where their boat has been and how long it's been out of the water.

“Both questions help us determine whether the boat might be carrying mussels,” says Wayne Gustaveson, aquatic project leader for the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources. “This screening process has prevented mussels from establishing themselves in the lake.”

Gustaveson encourages you to **clean, drain** and **dry** your boat and any other equipment that touches the water.

Specifically, he encourages you to:

- **Clean** plants, fish, mussels and mud from your boat;



- **Drain** the water from all areas of your boat and equipment;

- **Dry** your boat and equipment in the sun before using it again. In the summer, let it dry for at least 7 days in the sun. In the spring and fall, dry it for 18 days in the sun. In the winter, leave your equipment out for 3 straight days in temperatures that do not rise above 32 degrees during any of the days. Leaving it out for 3 days should be enough to kill any mussels that are on your equipment.

You can also have a professional boat washer clean your boat and trailer, and flush your motor, bilge and live wells, with scalding hot water.

The water must be at least 140 degrees Fahrenheit. Unfortunately, there are very few boat washers in Utah that have equipment that can heat water to 140 degrees. But the DWR does have 26 decontamination units that can heat water to that temperature. Most of these units are located at Utah state parks that have a reservoir or a lake.

“Cleaning, draining and drying your boat and equipment is something all of us can do,” says Larry Dalton, aquatic invasive species coordinator for the UDWR. “Drying your boat and equipment is just as effective as washing it with water that’s 140 degrees.”

New threat in Colorado



While the screening process and help from boaters have kept mussels out of the lake, a new threat was discovered this summer. Mussel larvae were found in Lake Granby in Colorado.

Lake Granby is at the headwaters of the Colorado River. Biologists are hoping the mussels don’t make their way down the river and into the lake.

“In 2007, a few mussel larvae were reported at Lake Powell,” Gustaveson says. “The good news is, we haven’t found any mussel larvae or adults in the lake since that

initial report.”

Gustaveson says it’s possible that mussel larvae do not always establish a reproducing population. “We’re hoping the environment in Granby is harsh enough that the mussels won’t be able to establish a population,” he says.

Gustaveson says to invade Lake Powell, a reproducing mussel population would first have to establish itself at Lake Granby. Then the mussel larvae would have to work their way down river, through the 500 miles of inhospitable water conditions that characterize the Colorado River from Lake Granby to Lake Powell.

“I don’t think it would be easy for fragile mussel larvae to survive the long trip. It may take years for mussels from Granby to work their way down the river and into Lake Powell alive,” Gustaveson says. “Therefore, the presence or absence of mussels in Lake Granby is irrelevant to the ongoing mussel prevention program at Lake Powell. We’ll continue to check boats to make sure they’re mussel free before launching.

“No matter which lake boaters have had their boat on, they must clean, drain and dry their boat before they launch it onto another lake,” Gustaveson says. “That’s the new standard all boaters must practice to halt the spread of invasive species in the West.”

To learn more about quagga mussels, visit www.wildlife.utah.gov/news/07-03/quagga.php

Rock n' Ribs Festival August 23rd, 11 am-8 pm



Spend a Saturday afternoon in downtown SLC with rockin' beats and savory BBQ. This is a family event...think picnic blankets, late summer nights, cool grass, and great food.

Rock n' Ribs is officially sanctioned by the Kansas City Barbeque Society. Cook-off champions win a coveted invitation to the BBQ Big Time...the Jack Daniels World Championship Invitational and the 28th Annual American Royal Barbeque (the biggest BBQ contest in the world!)

The Gallivan Amphitheater will be center stage for live music. Food and craft vendors, cook-off competitors, and kid's activities will be situated throughout the plaza.

More information: <http://www.slcgov.com/PublicServices/Gallivan/rocknribs.html>

Tickets: \$5

Location: **Gallivan Plaza (239 South Main Street)**

Watch the Weather-- Dove hunts opens Sept. 1

If you want to know how many doves will be in Utah this hunting season, watch the weather forecasts between now and Sept. 1.

Weather affects mourning and white-winged doves more than any migratory game bird in Utah. "As the days get shorter in mid-August, doves start to leave the state, no matter what the weather is doing," says Tom Aldrich, migratory game bird coordinator for the Division of Wildlife Resources.

"But cold and rainy weather can really speed the migration up," he says. "The key to a good dove hunt opener on Sept. 1 is for the weather to stay hot and dry between now and then."

Dove numbers

DWR biologists have surveyed dove populations along 15 call survey routes for more than 40 years. These routes are scattered across Utah.

Biologists conduct the surveys in May. That's when the doves start their breeding season. The biologists record the number of doves they see and the number of doves they hear.

This past May, the number of doves the biologists saw was down 13 percent from 2007. The number they heard was down 30 percent.

In the Western Dove Unit, which consists of seven Western states, including Utah, the number of doves seen was down only 2 percent. The number of doves biologists heard was the same as 2007.

“The results from the states in the Western Dove Unit are good news for Utah dove hunters,” Aldrich says. “The birds we hunt in Utah later in the season are mostly birds that are migrating through the state on their way south.”

Aldrich reminds you that no matter how the populations are doing, the weather before and during the hunt is the biggest factor in the number of doves you’ll see in Utah during the season. “Even if the numbers are down a bit, if the weather stays hot and dry, we should still have a good hunt,” he says.

Take your kids hunting

If you have young children that you’d like to get involved in hunting, the dove hunt is a good one to try. “You don’t need a lot of equipment to hunt doves, and the weather during the hunt is usually warm and pleasant,” Aldrich says. “It’s also a fairly easy hunt. You don’t have to hike to the top of a mountain to find doves.”

Seeds, seeds, seeds

To find doves, Aldrich says you should look for three things: a water source that has cover and shade near it, and lots of wild seed.

“Doves eat mostly seeds,” Aldrich says. “If you can find the seeds they like, you’ll probably find the doves.”

Among the seeds doves eat are wild sunflower seeds and seeds from a variety of weeds and grasses. Aldrich says some of the best weed-producing areas are areas that have been disturbed by road building.

Doves also eat seeds from agricultural crops, such as waste grain that’s left in fields after the grain is harvested. Safflower, wheat and sorghum seeds are especially important to doves.

Reminders

- Make sure you’re registered in the Migratory Game Bird Harvest Information Program (HIP) for the 2008 season. You can register at www.uthip.com



- There's no limit on the number of Eurasian collared-doves you can take. If you take an Eurasian collared-dove, don't pluck or breast the bird out until you get home. If wildlife officers can't identify the bird as an Eurasian-collared dove, the bird will count as part of your 10 bird mourning and white-winged dove bag limit.
- It's a good idea to wear hunter orange during the dove hunt, especially during the opening weekend. "Doves don't seem to notice the hunter orange, and wearing it makes you stand



out more to other hunters," Aldrich says.

- Much of Utah's dove hunting happens on private land. Make sure you get written permission from the landowner before hunting on his or her land.
- It's usually hot during the dove hunt. Make sure you clean your doves quickly and keep them cool in an ice chest.
- Take good care of your dog. Bring water for it, and be careful about taking your dog into an area that might have rattlesnakes.

BLM Continues to Seek Nominations to Utah's Resource Advisory Council

The Bureau of Land Management in Utah is seeking public nominations for one open position in Category Two on its 15-member Resource Advisory Council.

Category Two positions are: representatives of nationally or regionally recognized environmental organizations, archaeological and historic organizations, dispersed recreation activities, and wild horse and burro organizations.

The Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) directs the Secretary of the Interior to involve the public in planning and issues related to management of lands administered by BLM.

Individuals may nominate themselves or others to serve on an advisory council. Nominees, who must be residents of Utah, will be judged on the basis of their



training, education, and knowledge of the council's geographical area. Nominees should also demonstrate a commitment to consensus building and collaborative decision making. All nominations must be accompanied by letters of reference from any represented interests or organizations; a completed background information nomination form; and any other information that speaks to the nominee's qualifications. Nomination forms are available from BLM offices and from BLM's website at <http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en.html>.

LILY LAKE SANITATION STATION CLOSURE

SALT LAKE CITY, August 20, 2008-Steve Ryberg, Evanston/Mt View District Ranger, Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest announced today that the Lily Lake Sanitary Station will be closed until further notice. The station is located approximately 30 miles south of Evanston along the Mirror Lake Scenic Byway, (Utah SR 150).

Improvements are being made to the sanitation site and will not be completed until late spring of 2009. Steve Ryberg said "forest users who depend on the station for water should make sure that they carry their own water supply until the improvements at the station are completed." For more information about the closure please contact the Evanston Ranger District at (307) 789-3194.

Ski Utah Celebrates 60 Days to Snow with Free Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Aug. 27

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH- With summer heat sizzling at high temps, it is hard to believe that snow is only 60 days away. Utah receives its first dusting of mountain snow as early as September but most often by October. To celebrate the approach of Utah's favorite precipitation, Ski Utah has partnered with Ben & Jerry's at The Gateway to give away free Ben & Jerry's Vanilla ice cream on Weds., Aug. 27 from 2-5 p.m. The spot will be marked with a 9-foot tall inflatable yeti.

The ice cream will be free for the first thousand customers. All customers will also have the option to add "fresh powder," coconut flakes, to their scoop. The combination of Ben & Jerry's Vanilla ice cream and coconut is free, refreshing and simply powderlicious. Tips will be accepted to benefit the Utah Avalanche Center.



"Now is the perfect time for locals to begin thinking about the coming winter season," said Ski Utah President Nathan Rafferty, "Many resorts offer great early deals on ticket books and season passes. Taking advantage of these offers is great way for local snowriders to keep the sport

affordable." Information on early season discounts at Utah ski resorts and the Ski Utah school passport program, offering FREE skiing for any Utah fifth or sixth grader, will be available at the event.

What: 60 Days to Snow free ice cream giveaway

Where: North end of The Gateway shopping center, 90 South 400 West, Salt Lake City, UT

When: Weds., Aug. 27, 2008 from 2-5 p.m.

76 percent of sportsmen say they prefer to elect a President who hunts or fishes

John McCain is the preferred Presidential candidate among sportsmen, as well as the preferred sporting partner

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Sportsmen have a solid history of voting, with 9 in 10 currently registered to vote and of those 83 percent say they will vote in the November election, according to a new survey by the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation. Overall, there are an estimated 40 million sportsmen of voting age in the United States.

"Sportsmen are active voters and prefer candidates who align with them on hunting and fishing issues," said Jeff Crane, president of the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation. "The attention presidential candidates give to sportsmen's issues is well-aimed."

Among sportsmen, Republican John McCain holds a significant lead over White House opponent Barack Obama, with a 14-point margin according to the survey.

Asked who they planned to vote for in November, 45 percent said McCain and 31 percent said Obama.

Support for McCain among sportsmen extends from the voting booth to the field, the survey found.

Asked who they'd like to go hunting with, 49 percent said McCain and 27 percent said Obama. As a fishing buddy, 44 percent said they'd prefer McCain and 31 percent chose Obama.

"Sportsmen view John McCain as good company in the great outdoors," said Steve Sanetti, president of the National Shooting Sports Foundation, which helped underwrite the survey. "They're just not sure how much fun Barack Obama would be in a duck blind."

By a 2 to 1 margin sportsman said McCain would be a better president on sportsmen's issues than Obama.

"Politically engaged sportsmen see John McCain as a supporter of their concerns," Sanetti said. "To sportsmen, I would say, don't be fooled. Make it a point to know where the candidates you're considering for office truly stand on hunting and firearms issues."



A majority of sportsmen polled said that it is important for a candidate to share their views on hunting and fishing issues, although the survey indicated the economy, homeland security and the war in Iraq are the top concerns for all Americans this election season.

When it comes to sportsmen-related issues, sportsmen are most likely to say that it's essential that a candidate support ensuring gun rights, clean water initiatives, and sustainable energy development.

"With an estimated \$76 billion economic impact on the economy annually and direct support of 1.6 million jobs, the next president will need to pay attention to issues that impact hunting and fishing," said Crane. "Sportsmen need to ask candidates where they stand on our outdoor issues and take this into account when they vote on November 4th."

Other key findings of the survey include:

- A significant portion of sportsmen say this November's election is more important than past elections regarding their ability to hunt and fish.
- On the specific topic of gun rights, sportsmen say firearm issues are more important now than in past elections.
- Three-quarters (74%) say they would prefer to elect a president who personally owns firearms.

The telephone survey of 1,009 sportsmen was conducted July 10-24 by Braun Research on behalf of the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation and Ketchum Global Research. It has a margin of error of plus or minus 3.1 percent.

The Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation is an independent, non-profit, non-partisan group headquartered in Washington, D.C. A leader in promoting sportsmen's issues with elected officials, CSF works with the bi-partisan Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus in the U.S. Congress, as well as sportsmen's caucuses in state legislators around the country. The CSF does not endorse political candidates.

The National Shooting Sports Foundation, based in Newtown, Conn., works to increase participation in and understanding of hunting and the shooting sports; to reaffirm and strengthen their members' commitment to the safe and responsible use of their products, and to promote a political climate supportive of America's traditional firearms rights.

The survey was also supported by National Association of Sporting Goods Wholesalers, Outdoor Channel, American Sportfishing Association and the National Marine Manufacturers Association.

For more information on the survey results go to www.sportsmenslink.org.

For information on the economic impact hunting and fishing has in your state go to http://www.sportsmenslink.org/reports_and_data/Sportsmens-Economic-Impact.html.

Think Cool for Hot Summer Fishing

What's the secret to catching fish when the water gets really warm in the summer?

It's a question anglers frequently ask themselves. For many anglers, the hot months of July and August are the only time they can get their poles out to fish.

So what is the secret to catching fish when the temperature gets hot?

It basically comes down to three things: the species of fish you're after, and where and when you decide to fish.

Species

Like people, fish prefer certain temperatures. In the spring and fall, the temperatures are at the range most of Utah's sportfish prefer.

In the spring and fall, you'll usually find fish in and near the surface waters. As the temperature gets warmer, the fish move to areas that have the temperature range they prefer. They often find these temperatures by moving into deeper waters, or into sheltered areas or cool inlets.



When the fish are at or near the surface, they're fairly accessible. When the fish move out of the surface waters, however, you need to use some additional techniques and knowledge about the species you want to catch.

Coldwater fish, such as rainbow, cutthroat and other trout, are the first to move into the surface waters in the spring. They're also the first to move out of the surface waters as the summer progresses. They usually seek water temperatures that are between 55 to 60 degrees Fahrenheit.

Bass, bluegill and yellow perch are considered warmwater fish because they prefer water temperatures in the 60s and 70s. As trout

start to go deep to avoid the warmer surface waters, warmwater fish are just starting to get active.

Location

Location, location, location—it's as important to fishing as it is to real estate sales!

Location can mean many things, including the elevation of the water you're fishing, the lake or stream you choose to fish and the type of structure within the water.

Elevation plays a role because it affects the temperature of the water. During the summer, the water and air at high-elevation lakes and streams can be 20 to 30 degrees cooler than they are at waters down in the valley. This factor allows you to use elevation to find a water that has the type of fish you want to catch. For example, if you prefer fishing for coldwater fish, go up in elevation and try fishing a mountain lake or stream.

Selecting the right lake or stream is also important. For example, in northeastern Utah some waters, like Flaming Gorge Reservoir, are very deep. Others, like Pelican Lake, are quite shallow. Trout species in the Gorge can move up or down to find the temperature they prefer. Pelican is a lower elevation, shallow reservoir that's much better suited to warmwater fish, such as bass and bluegill. Red Fleet, Steinaker and Starvation reservoirs are at a similar elevation to Pelican, but they're much deeper waters, so some trout species can thrive in them.

The location you're looking for can also be within the water itself. Anglers often talk about "structure." Structure is something that adds a third dimension to the underwater landscape. Structure can include logs, brush, rocks, a cliff face, a gravel bar or a weedbed.

As a general rule, if you fish in an area that has structure, you'll find more fish than you will if you fish in an area that doesn't have structure. Structure provides fish with shelter and a safer haven from predators and the weather. If the shelter happens to be a cliff or a rocky drop-off, it can also provide you with easier access to the deeper, cooler waters where the trout hang out.



Finding shade can also be a good tactic for warmwater fish, especially on warm days. A weedbed, a tree along a bank, a dock or your own boat may provide cool shade for fish. Fish that school, such as bluegill and yellow perch, really like shade. Schools of these warmwater fish will seek out these shady areas. If you find the shade, you can be in for some fast fishing, even when it's sunny and hot outside.

Time

The time of day you fish can also play a big role in finding fish. Fish often wait in the deeper water for the heat of the day to pass. Once the temperature cools down, they move into the shallows or surface waters to feed. At night and early in the morning, when the water is the coolest, can be great times to fish. The fish will be actively feeding in the shallower waters, and that will make them more accessible to you.

So what's the secret to catching fish during the hot summer months? First, choose the species you want to catch. Then think cool, and fish early, high or deep.

Special Upland Game Hunts

Hunters who are 15 years of age and younger can participate in special chukar and pheasant hunts this fall.

These special youth hunts have been held in Utah for years. They're a great way to introduce young people to upland game hunting.

"Kids really enjoy these hunts," says Dave Olsen, upland game coordinator for the Division of Wildlife



Resources. "They don't have to compete with older hunters for a bird."

Getting qualified for one of the hunts is easy. If you're 15 years of age or younger, and you've completed Utah's Hunter Education course, all you have to do is complete an application and write a one-paragraph essay. The subject of your essay can be "I want to continue the Utah upland game hunting tradition because..." or, "I would like to start my own upland game hunting tradition because..."

Applications due soon

To be considered for one of the youth chukar hunts, the DWR must receive your application and essay no later than Aug. 22. Applications and essays for the youth pheasant hunts are due by Sept. 5.

Applying at www.wildlife.utah.gov/uplandgame is the best and easiest way to apply, but you can also apply with a paper application. Paper applications are available at DWR offices and hunter education centers, and on page 10 of the 2008 – 2009 Utah Upland Game Guidebook.

Hunt dates



who hunt in Utah has been declining for years,” Olsen says. “We’re hoping these youth hunts will help reverse that trend by getting young people into the field and letting them experience what it’s like to take an upland game bird.

“The hunts also give us a chance to teach young people how to be responsible and ethical hunters.”

For more information about the hunts, call the nearest DWR office or see pages 8 and 9 of the 2008 – 2009 Utah Upland Game Guidebook.

FOREST SERVICE REPORTS STATUS OF TRIBAL FOREST PROTECTION ACT PARTICIPATION

WASHINGTON, August 15, 2008 - Forest Service Chief Abigail Kimbell has reported to Congress on the status of proposals and implementation of contracts under the Tribal Forest Protection Act (TFPA) of 2004. The Act

The youth chukar hunts will be held Sept. 6 on five state wildlife management areas (WMAs). The youth pheasant hunts will be held Nov. 8 on four state WMAs and one Walk-In Access area.

“We’re holding these hunts across Utah,” Olsen says. “A hunt should be happening not more than about two hours away from your home.”

The WMAs and the Walk-In Access area will be closed to all other hunters on the day the youth hunts are held.

Getting youth excited about upland game hunting

“The number of young people



requires a Report to Congress four years after enactment.

The TFPA was passed in response to devastating wildfires that occurred in many western states that crossed from Federal land onto tribal land in 2003. National Forests and Grasslands share approximately 2,100 miles of contiguous boundary with Indian Tribes.

"The Forest Service is pleased to work together with neighboring tribes to restore forest health and reduce the risks of wildfires," said Chief Kimbell.

The Tribal Forest Protection Act provides a tool for Indian Tribes to propose work and enter into contracts and agreements with the Forest Service or Bureau of Land Management to reduce fire threats from Federal land adjacent to Indian trust land and Indian communities.

During FYs 2004 - 2008, 10 contracts and agreements were approved culminating in 23,230 acres and 51.5 miles of boundary being treated using the TFPA. Approved proposals include:

- * Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes adjacent to Lolo National Forest(MT); Fuels reduction on 1,000 acres.

- * Mescalero Apache Tribe adjacent to Lincoln National Forest (NM); Fuels reduction, urban interface, ecosystems restoration on 16,000 acres.

- * White Mountain Apache Tribe adjacent to Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest(AZ); Tree removal from forest boundary, 21.5 miles.

- * Hoopa Tribe adjacent to Six Rivers National Forest (CA); Fuels reduction, 20 miles.

- * Ramona Band of Cahuilla Indians adjacent to San Bernardino National Forest (CA); Fuels reduction and plant restoration, 10 acres.

- * Tule River Tribe adjacent to Sequoia National Forest (CA); Fuels reduction and forest restoration, 3,000 acres.

- * Viejas Tribe and the Ewiaapaayp Band of Kumeyaay Indians adjacent to Cleveland National Forest (CA); Sweetwater Fuel Break Project; Fuels reduction, 220 acres.

- * Viejas Tribe and the Ewiaapaayp Band of Kumeyaay Indians adjacent to Cleveland National Forest (CA); Capitan Grande Fuels Treatment Project; Fuels reduction, 3,000 acres.

- * Quinault Indian Nation adjacent to Olympic National Forest (WA); Resource protection, 30 miles.

- * Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, adjacent to Mt. Hood National Forest; Fuels reduction and forest restoration, 1,000 acres.

TOYOTA HIGHLANDER TO FEATURE ALL-NEW FOUR-CYLINDER ENGINE

- - Capable Performance Plus Outstanding Fuel Efficiency Equals Excellent Value - -

Toyota Motor Sales (TMS), U.S.A., Inc., announced yesterday that the 2009 Highlander mid-size sport utility vehicle (SUV) will offer an all-new, powerful yet fuel-efficient 2.7-liter four-cylinder engine. When it arrives at dealerships in mid-to-late January, the new Highlander powerplant will be among the best mid-size SUVs in the areas of performance, fuel economy and value.

The new 2.7-liter four-cylinder engine will generate an impressive 187 horsepower at 5,800 RPM and 186 lb.-ft. of torque at 4,100 RPM on regular 87 octane fuel. A dual exhaust manifold will help achieve exceptional low-end torque and maximize its power output. In addition to its performance output, the Highlander equipped with the new four-cylinder will be EPA-rated as an Ultra Low Emission Vehicle (ULEVII) and is expected to be among the leaders in fuel efficiency in the gas mid-size SUV segment. Official EPA fuel efficiency ratings will be announced closer to launch.

The new four-cylinder engine will be mated to an all-new six-speed electronically-controlled automatic overdrive transmission with intelligence (ECT-i). The new transmission will help deliver quiet and smooth performance on par with a V6 and acceleration that is surprisingly quick for a four-cylinder. When equipped with a tow package, the new powerplant will achieve a maximum towing capacity of 3,500 pounds.

The new engine will come standard on the Highlander grade two-wheel-drive model equipped with two rows of seats, contributing to its excellent value. A third row seat package will also be available for families requiring additional seating capacity. Other key optional equipment will include an eight-way power driver's seat, manual rear air conditioning, and an AM/FM/six-disc CD Changer with satellite radio capability, MP3/WMA capability and six speakers.

With the new four-cylinder engine, Highlander will be the only mid-size SUV in the current market to offer three powerplant choices. The 3.5-liter Highlander V6, available in two- and full-time four-wheel drive, is among the leaders in fuel efficiency among V6 gas engines in its segment. The full-time 4WD-i Highlander Hybrid, equipped with a V6 powerplant with front and rear electric motors, stands above all others for fuel efficiency among all mid-size SUVs.

Since it first launched in 2001, Highlander has been one of Toyota's most popular vehicles, setting the standard for car-based SUVs in innovation, comfort and sales. Driver and passenger comfort is accomplished with segment leading seating versatility through innovative flexible seating functions for up to seven people. Comfort is complemented with one of the highest levels of standard safety features in the small- and mid-size SUV market including a segment-leading total of seven airbags.

Late Summer Fishing Forecast

ABAJO MOUNTAINS: Sergeant J. Shirley describes Monticello Lake as "the hot spot" for San Juan County. Bait fishermen, especially those throwing PowerBait, are landing a lot of fish, says Sergeant Shirley. Fishing at Lloyds Lake and Foy was fair. The best fishing action occurs early or late in the day. Fishing at Recapture is poor, but boating and swimming are good, judging by the volume of recreational activity. Conservation Officer Paul Washburn reminds anglers to heed the statewide limit of four trout. When fishing is good, the temptation grows. Those extra fish you may catch will not be worth the possible consequence, if you're caught. One more reminder: keep Utah beautiful by packing out your litter.

BENCHES & BOULGERS RESERVOIR:

Fish early or late with a floating nightcrawler or PowerBait.

DUCK FORK RESERVOIR: Fishing success has slowed down. The best action will be from a tube or 'toon. Try a dry fly, such as a renegade, in the evening. When fish aren't rising, a leech or woolly bugger may be more effective. A gold Jake's Spin-a-Lure is a good default lure for this water, where bait is prohibited.

ELECTRIC LAKE: Angler use is down, which often indicates poor fishing. Cutthroat trout range from 6–16 inches.

FERRON RESERVOIR: Fishing success continues to be sporadic, and slow days are in the majority. Try early morning or late evening fishing for the best results. An extra four fish may be taken, if at least four are brook trout.

GOOSEBERRY RESERVOIR: Two weeks ago, Tom Ogden fished from a tube and caught 16 trout in four hours with a size 10 olive-colored leech on slow-sinking line. Insect hatches contribute to generally slow fishing. Bank anglers have far fewer bites than boaters.

GREEN RIVER: Desert Lake Superintendent Roy Marchant fished on Aug. 9 with his boys. They caught 32 catfish in three hours using nightcrawlers. The biggest cat was 17 inches, but most measured around eight inches. Walt Maldonado recommends fishing in the evening with a shrimp on a slip rig. With this tackle, Walt has landed plenty of one- to two-pound channel cats. Sometimes, you can hook endangered fish with this particular rig. Try to avoid harming these fish and return them to the water immediately. Refer to pages 54–72 in the [2008 Fishing Guidebook](#) for a refresher on the appearance of endangered fish.

HUNTINGTON CREEK: Fishing in the fly-only zone was fair to good for 11- to 14-inch brown trout.



HUNTINGTON RESERVOIR (MAMMOTH RESERVOIR): This past week, Tom Ogden fished from a tube at the upper end of the reservoir. He used fast-sinking line in 15–25 feet of water. End tackle consisted of a multi-colored #6 woolly bugger in black, purple and red. He caught 12 tiger trout, ranging from 13–18 inches. Huntington Reservoir is closed to the possession of cutthroat trout or trout with cutthroat markings.

HUNTINGTON NORTH STATE PARK: Slow fishing continues for trout and bass. For the best results, fish from a boat at daybreak.

JOES VALLEY RESERVOIR: Slow fishing continues. For the best success, fish the deepest water with a jig tipped by chub meat. All trout from 15–22 inches must be immediately released. The trout limit is two fish, and only one can be over 22 inches.

LAKE POWELL: Visit www.wayneswords.com for the latest fishing report from Wayne Gustaveson, DWR project leader.

LA SAL MOUNTAINS: On Aug. 11, Conservation Officer TJ Robertson submitted the following:

Colorado River: Catfish are still hopping near Negro Bill campground and near the portal. Shrimp and large nightcrawlers seem to be doing well. Anglers have reported using squid and scoring well with the cats.

Dark Canyon: Most anglers have been bait fishing with rainbow PowerBait. Early morning anglers have also done quite well with fly patterns.

Dons Lake: This lake is clogged with moss, making fishing much more difficult. Angler pressure is way down.

Hidden Lake: Fishing is still good with either green-and-gold Jake's spinners and spoons; or green and rainbow PowerBait. Worms, salmon eggs and garlic marshmallows also work well.

Medicine Lake: This lake gave anglers great opportunities to take some nice fish. Flies have been the ticket as well as the ever-popular Jake's lures. Bait fishermen have been scoring some nice bows using nightcrawlers tipped with salmon eggs or green PowerBait.

Oowah Lake: Fishing continues to range from good to excellent. Gold Jake's with green spots have been working well. Different fly patterns behind a bubble have also been effective. Bait fishing was good with rainbow, orange and green PowerBait. Nightcrawlers and salmon eggs have been bringing in some fish as well. The U.S. Forest Service has made Oowah a fee area (\$5.00 per night). Day use is still free. Anglers are encouraged to pack out their trash as well as that left by others. We can keep the lakes clean, if everyone pitches in.

Warner: Fishing was good with traditional baits and spinners. The campground features lots of empty spots that are available most of the time. Escape the heat of the valley and go camping; you can enjoy lots of shade and cooler temperatures!



LOWER FISH CREEK: Fishing was best at daybreak with a caddis fly or a blue-winged olive.

MILLSITE STATE PARK: Fishing was slow. Luck will favor the angler who fishes from a boat at first light. Better patterns include a woolly bugger and a grasshopper.

PETES HOLE: Restocking occurred two weeks ago. Good fishing is expected.

POTTERS PONDS: Fishing success was sporadic, ranging from hot to not. Trout are pan-sized and consist of rainbows, albinos and tigers.

SCOFIELD RESERVOIR: Fisheries Technician Bob Olson reported that fishing pressure has dropped off, and angler success was variable. Bob noted that some anglers leave the reservoir without catching a fish. Others limit out. Bob indicates that the average bank angler takes two fish home, compared to the average boat fisherman, who catches 3–4 trout. Boaters will have the best luck by anchoring near the island and still-fishing with worms and marshmallows, suspended just off the bottom. Most fishing action occurs between 6 and 9 a.m. Conservation Officer Ben Riley checked anglers over the weekend and characterized fishing as slow. Flycasters should try a size 10 olive-colored leech or a size 10 Canada blood leech. The

abundance of insects in the water competes with angler offerings, reducing the catch.

WILLOW LAKE: Slow fishing was reported.

WRIGLEY SPRINGS RESERVOIR: Slow fishing continues.

BIG SANDWASH RESERVOIR: Anglers report fair to good fishing for rainbows. The trout have moved deeper to find cooler waters, so anglers should plan on fishing deep or during the cool hours. In the early morning and evening hours,



try fishing top-water flies and lures, and use either a bubble or floating baits to clear the submerged vegetation and boulders. As the water warms, go deeper and use a floating bait or marshmallow to float your offering above the rocks and moss. The water is being drawn down, but there is still plenty of good fishing.

BULLOCK / COTTONWOOD RESERVOIRS: The few reports we get indicate slow fishing for rainbows and fair success for warm water fish at Bullock. Few tiger muskie are being taken.

Remember the special regulation on tiger muskie: you may keep one fish that's 40 inches or over; anything under 40 inches must be released. Division biologists recently moved smallmouth bass into Cottonwood to supplement the breeding population, which was decimated when the reservoir was drained. If you catch a smallmouth bass, please release it quickly. Small boats can be launched from undeveloped sites near the dams. The reservoirs are located approximately five miles north of the town of Gusher.

BROUGH RESERVOIR: Fishing was fair to good in the early morning and slow during the heat of the day. Fish have moved deeper to avoid the warm surface waters. Catch rates on this "trophy" fishery will be slower than normal because to get large fish, management has to restrict the population numbers. To get to Brough, take State Route 88 south from US Route 40 (Ouray Road). Turn west at the second dirt road past the high power lines; it should be signed. Follow this road approximately two miles and pay attention to the signs. The road can be quite rutted.

BROWNIE / SPIRIT LAKE: You'll have an easy time accessing both Brownie and Spirit; the roads are dry and in good shape. Recent reports from Brownie are of slow to fair fishing during the day with faster fishing in the early morning and evening. Success was fair to good at Spirit throughout the day. Stream fishing in the area is also good. **Warning:** whirling disease was found in this area. Please make sure you clean, dry and sterilize waders, livewells and other fishing gear before venturing to another water. Do not move fish or fish parts from one area to another. **Cleaning fish:** Biologists now believe the disposal of fish parts, especially the head and skeleton, is one of the primary reasons whirling disease has spread to new waters. To avoid moving whirling disease and other undesired organisms, you should clean fish at home and send the parts to a landfill. If that isn't possible, please clean the fish and bury the parts at least 100 yards away from the water's edge.

CALDER / CROUSE RESERVOIRS: Anglers report slow to fair fishing for some nice-sized, heavy fish. Recent surveys indicate a healthy population of fish survived the winter in Calder. Crouse was a complete kill, but it was restocked with catchable fish. The winterkill will only accelerate the Calder fishery change to trophy management. Under the previous management scenario, the water was stocked with considerably more fish to provide faster fishing for smaller fish. Calder has special regulations: you may use flies and lures only, no baits; all fish under 22 inches must be released immediately; the bag limit is one fish over 22 inches.

CURRENT CREEK RESERVOIR: Recent reports from anglers are of fair to good fishing. Anglers who fish nearby streams also report good catch rates.

EAST PARK / OAKS PARK: The roads are open to East Park and Oaks Park. Anglers report slow fishing during the day and faster fishing in the cooler hours. Reports indicate most lures and baits are working; no particular technique is outfishing the others.

FLAMING GORGE: Surface water temps range from 68–71° F. Please be sure your boat and equipment are free of aquatic invasive species before you launch in the reservoir. With the recent spread of quagga and zebra mussels in the West, it is important that you do not transport these destructive species into new waters.

Lake trout fishing: Anglers continue to report good to excellent fishing for 16- to 24-inch lake trout in the canyon. Areas to try are points next to deep water in Sheep Creek, Red Canyon, the Skull Creeks and Jarvies Canyon. Lures to try include tube jigs in white, chartreuse, glow or brown—all tipped with a small chunk of sucker or chub meat. Airplane jigs and jigging spoons are also working well. No-stretch line will help anglers feel strikes and set the hook better. Use a graph to see suspended fish and put your jig right in front of them. If trolling, use downriggers to get lures like needlefish, other spoons and Rapalas down near the bottom. Try and keep the lure within 10 feet of the bottom unless you are seeing suspended fish on the graph. If you are seeing suspended fish, raise the lure to the correct depth. Fishing is usually best early in the morning or later in the afternoon. Unlike their larger relatives, the smaller lake trout are excellent table fare when grilled. There's an overabundance of lake trout under 28 inches in the Gorge, so do your part to help the fishery and keep a limit of eight fish. Larger lake trout fishing was fair to good at traditional structure spots from Big Bend south to Sheep Creek Bay. Big lake trout eat big food, so lures and jigs should be big also. Try larger tube jigs and jigging spoons, or if you're trolling, use large plugs, spoons or flatfish on a downrigger. Remember, only one fish over 28 inches may be kept.

Kokanee fishing: Anglers report good fishing around the Pipeline, Sheep Creek and Jarvies Canyon. For the month of July, fish in depths of 40–55 feet or anywhere you see fish on the graph. Downriggers, long lining, lead weights and planer boards can get the small spoons like needlefish, triple teasers, or other erratic-moving lures down to the right depths. Troll at speeds from 1.5–2.5 miles per hour. Kokanee will move deeper as water temperatures warm. Once the

surface reaches 70° F, the fish will be in more than 45 feet of water, so look for them on your graph.



Rainbow fishing: There's good fishing on most areas of the reservoir. Almost 400,000 rainbows were recently stocked here. These fish are about eight inches long and can be caught easily by casting from shore or trolling spoons, pop gear and spinners in shallow water. Anglers can use marshmallows and worms, flies such as woolly buggers, minnow-imitation plugs, spinners and jigs to

catch fish from shore. If you're fishing from a boat and looking for larger fish, try fishing in 30–40 feet with downriggers. Don't be afraid of harvesting some rainbows, as they are really tasty from the cold waters of the Gorge.

Burbot (Ling) fishing: There have been reports of good fishing from a few anglers. They specifically targeted burbot and fished at night off points in Wyoming. For those interested in fishing for burbot, try the following techniques. Go out at night or early in the morning and fish waters from 30–50 feet. Try off the points in areas like Antelope Flat, Linwood Bay or Sheep Creek in Utah and Firehole, Lost Dog, Sage Creek, Confluence, Buckboard, Holmes Crossing, Anvil Draw, Skunk Cliffs and Marsh Creek in Wyoming. Use glow tube or curly tail jigs that are two to three inches in size and about 1/8 to 1/4 ounce in weight. Jigging spoons and jigging Rapalas also work well. Tipping with sucker or crayfish meat and using smelly jelly or similar scents in crayfish also seems to help. These fish are in depths from 40–90 feet but seem to be caught in 40–60 feet, mostly in the Wyoming end of the reservoir. During the day, these fish will move deep (70–100 feet), so jigging in deep water may produce some fish during the day. Netting in the Wyoming end of the reservoir has shown a large increase in the number of burbot present. Larger fish are 30 inches and up to four or five pounds. These fish must be harvested if caught in Utah to help control their population. They were illegally introduced to the upper Green River drainage and could have a major impact on other fish species. There is no limit on burbot. You cannot waste the burbot in the Wyoming end of the reservoir, and they can be released there. However, please don't release any of these fish. They have been eating large amounts of crayfish and are also consuming kokanee salmon, smallmouth bass and critical food sources for other fish species. They could have an extreme impact on the reservoir fishery and should be removed by fishermen whenever possible. Burbot are an excellent eating fish with white, flaky flesh that is similar to a perch. They can be breaded and fried, or boiled and dipped in melted butter.

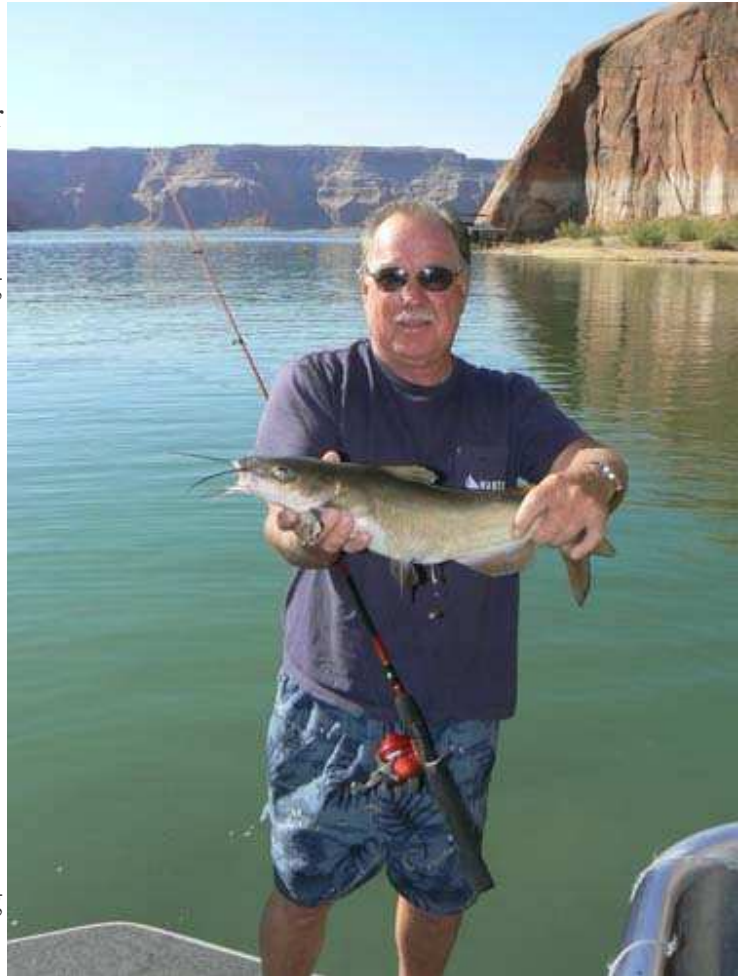
Smallmouth bass fishing: Smallmouth fishing was very good for the last couple of months. Small fish can still be found near the surface, and the larger fish have dropped down to deeper structures. Fish early in the shallow, rocky areas where crayfish will be and then move deeper as the surface waters warm. Use twist-tail grubs on lead head jigs or try small plastic worms, sinkos, twitch and crankbaits in about 5–20 feet of water off rocky shorelines and points. Crayfish-imitation colors will work the best. Drop-shot techniques will also work. If you're fishing in the canyon, keep a limit of 10 fish smaller than 10 inches to help thin out the population and increase growth on remaining fish.

GREEN RIVER (UPPER): The flows on the river have returned to normal with an average of 1,500 cfs with one peak per day. Visit the Bureau of Reclamation Web site at www.usbr.gov/uc/water/crsp/cs/fgd.html for the latest information on flows. Anglers are reporting good to excellent fishing in most sections of the river. Of course, the 25,000 rainbows stocked earlier this summer are greatly helping the catch rates. Please remember the slot-limit size range has changed from 13–20 inches to 15–22 inches to make regulations more consistent statewide. Grasshoppers and other top-water imitation fishing lures work well. Also, try match the insect hatches, including baetis, midges and flying ants. Be aware of what's emerging and adjust accordingly. Nymphing is still a good technique, and streamers are also working. Try size 2–4 buggers such as Goldilox and patterns in olive, pink and white. Spin fishermen should try small Rapalas (floating, countdown and husky jerk); small spinners; black, brown or olive marabou jigs; and small plastic jigs. Please check to see that your tube jigs do not contain fish-

attracting scents; they are illegal to use in the river. New Zealand mudsnail densities have dramatically increased in several localized areas near Little Hole, and have been documented in most areas of the river. Please thoroughly clean mud and vegetation from waders, boats and fishing gear. If possible, completely dry equipment before leaving the area. A hot water bath (120° F) will kill mudsnails, and spraying equipment with 409 or a similar soap solution before drying will increase effectiveness. Anglers also need to be aware of those floating the river and not block the passage of their boats by standing in the deepest passages. A little courtesy can go a long way to stopping a potentially hazardous encounter for both anglers and boaters.

GREEN RIVER (LOWER): The water level is going down. There haven't been any recent reports from anglers. Should be fair to good for catfish.

MATT WARNER RESERVOIR: Anglers report fishing was much slower than usual, although the fish seem to be larger. Exactly why the fishing was slow is yet another fishing mystery. Spring netting indicated a healthy population of fish survived the winter, and the population was recently supplemented with catchable rainbows.



MOON LAKE: The newest reports indicate fair to good fishing success. Moon Lake contains a variety of trout and kokanee, and fishing for all of these species should continue to be fair to good, especially in the cooler hours.

MOOSE POND: Moose Pond was drained to make some much-needed enhancements. The goal is to create a walking/fishing structure along the north end to provide safe access and places to fish. Eventually, visitors won't have to use the highway as a path. Part of this new walkway will be accessible to people who are physically disabled. Also, the inlet and outlet structures will be rebuilt; the pond will be made deeper (by dredging in some areas and stabilizing a crack in the bottom to create better fish habitat); and a nature/access trail will be created to the south. If

everything goes as planned, the new Moose Pond access should be ready, the pond filled

Figure 1

and the fish stocked again by early next summer.

PELICAN LAKE: Anglers continue to report fair to excellent fishing for bass and bluegill. The fish are moving deeper, so it's generally a matter of finding the schools.

RED FLEET RESERVOIR: Anglers are reporting fair to good fishing for trout, bass and bluegill, although it looks like the fish are moving into deeper waters. Try fishing off rocky points, moss beds and other structures. Rainbows are also near the structure, but you should try fishing on the outside edge and in deeper waters. Note: During the warmer hours, there was an increase in waterskiing, wake boarding and jet ski activities this summer, so be prepared for large waves.

STARVATION RESERVOIR: Anglers have been reporting mostly good fishing for walleye, bass and yellow perch. A few rainbows and browns have also been reported. Try fishing off the walls and points for bass and walleye, and near the moss beds for yellow perch. You'll find the best fishing during the cooler hours.



STEINAKER RESERVOIR: Anglers report fair fishing for rainbows and good fishing for small bass and bluegill. Try fishing in about 20 feet of water near rocky structures for bass and bluegill, and use bottom-fishing baits for trout. Note: During the warmer hours, there was an increase in waterskiing, wake boarding and jet ski activities this summer, so be prepared for large waves.

UINTA MOUNTAIN LAKES AND STREAMS: The mountain trails are accessible, and fishing success is usually good. Fishing on mountain lakes and streams can be spotty, so if one isn't producing, try moving to another. With over 400 managed fisheries on the South Slope alone, it's easy to find a new place to fish. Bright shiny lures and dry flies have been producing well. Always go prepared for serious weather, as the Uinta Mountains are well known for frequent, unexpected storms and high winds. The Uinta Mountains have a four-trout limit,

with a bonus of four more brook trout (see the [2008 Fishing Guidebook](#) for details. **BENSON MARINA:** Conservation Officer Matt Burgess reports fishing is good for channel cats and carp. He recommends using orange marshmallows and a nightcrawler.

BLACKSMITH FORK RIVER: Dedicated Hunter Brandon Larsen reports low pressure for flyfishing. One angler caught three browns using a yellow attractor bug on top and trailing an orange San Juan worm about 18 inches below his surface fly. He caught fish that were between 10 and 14 inches long.

ECHO RESERVOIR: Dedicated Hunter Scott Houston reports most anglers had some success early in the day (right after sunrise). Rainbows caught were between eight and 14 inches.

HIGH UINTA MOUNTAIN LAKES AND STREAMS: You'll find some of the year's best fishing during the fall months in the Uintas. Check out the video clip that spotlights the Bear River Drainage at utahwildlifevideos.blogspot.com. The *Lakes of the High Uintas* booklet series is available online at <http://mapstore.utah.gov/dnrpages/wildlife.htm>.

LOGAN FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD DAMS: Dedicated Hunter Brandon Larsen reports anglers are having success catching 8- to 10-inch rainbows using salmon eggs, worms or hamburger.

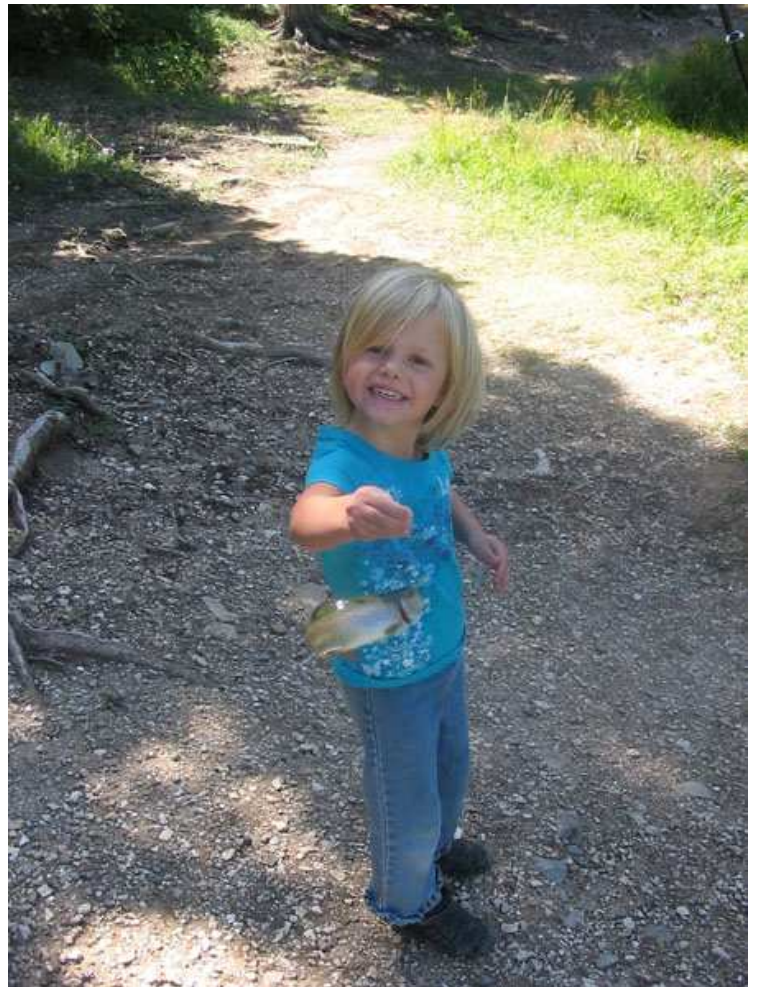
LOGAN RIVER: Conservation Officer Matt Burgess reports fishing is excellent using dry flies.

MANTUA RESERVOIR: Dedicated Hunter Spencer Staples reports anglers had success catching bluegill, largemouth bass and perch. Anglers used jigs and nightcrawlers with a bobber. Most of the fish were smaller in size.

MIRROR LAKE: Lieutenant Scott Davis and Dedicated Hunter Kevin Brown report fishing was excellent. Fishermen caught a lot of small- to medium-sized brook trout and larger rainbow and albino trout. Many of the albino trout were at least 12 inches long and comparatively larger than the stocked rainbow trout. Anglers used PowerBait and a water bubble.

MOOSEHORN LAKE (UINTAS): Dedicated Hunter Kevin Brown reports anglers' success catching rainbows when they used PowerBait with an egg sinker and cast out a long way.

NATURALIST BASIN LAKE (UINTAS): Lieutenant Scott Davis reports fishing was good for 8- to 10-inch brook trout. Successful anglers used a bubble with a small hook (#12) and black gnat and renegade flies.



NEWTON RESERVOIR: Conservation Officer Matt Burgess reports the reservoir is full of crappie, bluegill, perch and bass. Worms are the best bet with small jigs and a float. The water is very murky and there is a low catch rate on muskie.

PASS LAKE (UINTAS): Dedicated Hunter Kevin Brown reports fishermen had great success casting PowerBait with a sliding egg sinker from the north bank. Fishing was steady for 12-inch rainbows. One fly fisherman was even getting in on some great action using a woolly bugger.

PINEVIEW RESERVOIR: Dedicated Hunter Spencer Staples reports fishing is slow. Anglers didn't land many fish.



ROCKPORT STATE PARK:

Dedicated Hunter Scott Houston interviewed one fly fisherman who caught two cutbows on dry flies. Other anglers reported having a few bites on worms, salmon eggs and PowerBait.

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RESERVOIR: Conservation Officer Bruce Johnson reports fishing is fair. He suggests using worms. The dam is not accessible at this time. Repairs are being made to the dam and there is **no foot or vehicle access** to the dam area.

TRIAL LAKE (UINTAS): Dedicated Hunter Kevin Brown reports fly fisherman had success catching rainbows. They used black #10 woolly buggers and mosquitoes, and cast about 16 feet from shore. Other anglers had success using rainbow PowerBait.

WEBER RIVER: Conservation Officer Bruce Johnson reports fishing between Wanship and Coalville is good. Waters

levels are above recent levels. Water quality is good.

WHITNEY RESERVOIR: Lieutenant Scott Davis reports fishing is slow. A few tiger trout and catchable rainbows were caught on the shoreline with traditional baits.

WHISKEY ISLAND LAKE (UINTAS): Fishing is poor for grayling.

WILLARD BAY STATE PARK: Dedicated Hunter Spencer Staples reports a few anglers had success catching catfish between 10–14 inches using nightcrawlers. Another group of anglers had success catching crappie and bluegill using jigs and nightcrawlers.

Winchester Repeating Arms Announces Classic Limited Edition 1886 Deluxe Takedown Rifle

In 1884, John M Browning designed, and sold to Winchester, the 1886 lever action rifle. It was said that he received as much money for this design as existed in all of Ogden, Utah at the time.



Today, this legendary masterpiece is once again available on a very limited basis. Davidson's Gallery of Guns, in a cooperative effort with Winchester Repeating Arms, proudly offers some of history's most wonderful firearms designs and now you can own a recreated part of history for a whole lot less than what existed in Ogden back in 1884.

Features include:

- 26" half round, half octagonal barrel
- High polished blued metal
- High grade (III-IV) wood
- Checkered pistol grip and forearm
- Special serial numbers
- Unique box sleeve
- Letter of authenticity
- 45-70 caliber
- Full-length magazine tube
- Only 501 produced

The MSRP is \$2079.95 and the SKU is #534143142.

Visit www.galleryofguns.com for purchase details.

Elk Hunting Attracts Greater Percentage of Women

MISSOULA, Mont.- New research on hunter demographics shows more women per capita are attracted to elk hunting than most other kinds of hunting, according to the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

More than 60,000 elk hunters today are female. Though still predominantly a male pursuit, new data show that women compose 7.6 percent of all elk hunters. That's greater representation than in turkey, duck, goose, dove, quail, pheasant, rabbit or squirrel hunting. In fact, among America's most common game species, only deer hunting has a greater percentage of female participation.

"It seems a bit counterintuitive because elk hunting can be the quintessential 'roughing it' hunt. But, obviously, women are not intimidated by rugged country, large rifles, unpredictable weather and pursuing animals several times larger than they are," said David Allen, president and CEO of the Elk Foundation.

The Elk Foundation's membership magazine, "Bugle," has long carried a regular feature titled Women in Elk Country. Articles explore many reasons why women hunt, from pure adventure to providing meat for their families. A special feature in the upcoming Nov./Dec. issue will profile hunting gear and clothing made for women.

A basic Elk Foundation membership, which includes a subscription to "Bugle," is \$35. Visit www.rmef.org or call 800-CALL-ELK. Membership also supports the Elk Foundation's mission to ensure the future of elk, other wildlife and their habitat.

Research data are based on the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's "2006 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting and Wildlife-Associated Recreation," prepared for the National Shooting Sports Foundation's "Industry Intelligence Reports" Vol. 2, No. 9, 2008.

New Bushnell Videoscope Lets You Relive The Thrill Of Your Hunt

Overland Park, Kan. — Sharing tales of the hunt is a favorite pastime among sportsmen, and the new VideoScope from Bushnell provides an accurate and vivid recreation of any hunt. This compact, lightweight video camera with a 1.5" color display for preview and playback is designed to mount on top of a riflescope so users can digitally record the images and activity they see through the riflescope. The VideoScope will record up to 30 minutes of VGA quality digital video with its 1GB internal memory and rechargeable lithium-ion battery.



The VideoScope is the perfect accessory for deer and turkey hunters. The rugged, waterproof camera is designed to withstand the recoil of .375 H&H rifles and 12 gauge shotguns. It can be quickly attached or removed from the riflescope. Weighing under 8 ounces, and less than 7 inches long, it will not affect the balance of the firearm. The 5x lens brings the action up close and the 5-way button pad provides easy operation.

The VideoScope comes with a USB cable for transferring videos to a PC or Mac, and no special software is required for downloading-it works just like a "flash drive". It also includes AC and DC adaptors for recharging the battery, and 1" mounting rings for convenient attachment to most

riflescopes. It is available at Bushnell dealers nationwide. Suggested retail is \$249.

For more information about the Bushnell VideoScope, visit www.bushnell.com.

TRCP and NAGP Commend New BLM Sage Grouse Protections in Wyoming

Efforts attempt to conserve the popular upland game bird in Wyoming's Powder River Basin

WASHINGTON – In response to actions that could significantly benefit both wildlife and sportsmen, the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership and North American Grouse Partnership today praised the Bureau of Land Management for its recently announced efforts to conserve sage grouse habitat in northeastern Wyoming's Powder River Basin. The temporary measures affect approximately 1 million acres of sage grouse habitat where recent studies show dramatic decreases in populations of the bird and include limits on the density of oil and gas wells in these areas.

The federal move is important for the future of sage grouse in the Powder River Basin and could prevent further declines in population that would necessitate increased regulation. Sage grouse

are being considered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for listing as a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act.



The BLM action follows a formal request to the Secretary of the Interior by the TRCP and NAGP to undertake landscape conservation measures for sage grouse habitats on federal public lands administered by the BLM. The sportsmen's groups want the BLM to better manage sage grouse and their habitats during public-lands energy development to avert the need for Endangered Species Act protections for the popular game bird. A threatened or endangered listing would affect sage grouse hunters first and foremost due to the

possible elimination or restriction of hunting opportunities – actions already proposed due to decreases in bird numbers. It also would affect farming and ranching operations across the West where sage grouse occupy public and private lands.

“Sportsmen support the BLM decision to embrace actions that should help maintain sage grouse and avoid an endangered listing,” said TRCP Energy Initiative Manager Steve Belinda, a former federal biologist. “Logically, though, we also must ask, ‘What’s next? And what about the rest of the Wyoming?’ Obviously, the BLM must undertake additional and wider-ranging conservation measures if we hope to sustain secure populations of sage grouse into the long-term future.”

“We genuinely appreciate the BLM action on behalf of sage grouse populations in northeastern Wyoming,” said Ralph Rogers, executive director of the NAGP. “A review of past trends and

declines in sage grouse population numbers points to one, unqualified certainty: What we have been doing to conserve this species is not working.”

The scope of the BLM guidelines generally corresponds to areas of core sage grouse habitat designated by Wyoming Gov. Dave Freudenthal in an executive order earlier this month. Sage grouse are listed by the Wyoming Game and Fish Department as a “species of special concern,” and currently the BLM is required to pursue actions that help conserve species identified by the state. A proposal to change this requirement is being drafted by the BLM in its revision of its Sensitive Species Manual.

“The BLM must use this new information and current science to guide its future management of sage grouse and their habitats in the Powder River Basin and beyond,” said Dr. Terry Z. Riley, TRCP vice president of policy. “Local populations of grouse should benefit as a result of these new guidelines, yet numerous sites in Wyoming and across the Rocky Mountain West demand similar conservation measures if we’re going to uphold hunting opportunities and sustain a future for this bird on public lands.

“Sage grouse are not the only game species affected by energy development,” continued Riley, a former federal and state wildlife biologist. “Better management actions like these are needed to protect other grouse species such as the lesser prairie-chicken, which, in addition to being threatened by energy development in Colorado and New Mexico, already has been identified by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as warranted for listing under the Endangered Species Act.”

“This one localized action is not going to prevent a listing for sage grouse,” concluded Belinda. “Much more action is required by the federal government – and on a much broader scale – to ensure that public-lands energy development doesn’t continue to threaten the bird’s existence. Willingness by the BLM to engage in decisive and conscientious management of our nation’s natural resources will result in fishing, hunting and outdoor recreation being maintained for future generations to enjoy.”

The TRCP believes that to better balance the concerns of fish and wildlife in the face of accelerating energy development, federal land management agencies must follow the conservation tenets outlined in the [FACTS for Fish and Wildlife](#).

Inspired by the legacy of Theodore Roosevelt, the TRCP is a coalition of organizations and grassroots partners working together to preserve the traditions of hunting and fishing.

MR. HEATER LAUNCHES NEW LINE OF OUTDOOR COMFORT PRODUCTS BaseCamp™ Pro Series Line to Include Propane Gaslights, Compact Indoor Safe Radiant Heater, and Portable Hot Water Shower

CLEVELAND, OH (August 11, 2008) -- Mr. Heater Inc., a manufacturer of consumer heating products and accessories, has announced the launch of its new Mr. Heater® BaseCamp Pro

Series™ line of products for the outdoor recreation market. The introduction this year includes indoor propane gaslights and a new compact indoor-safe portable radiant heater. A portable hot shower system and other new products are planned for 2009.

"We're dedicated to making the outdoor experience more comfortable," states Jeff Mack, President and COO of Mr. Heater.

"We're also testing these products with professional outfitters to obtain valuable feedback so that we can bring our customers the quality, performance and durability that's demanded by the pros."

Recently introduced, the BaseCamp Pro Series **Indoor Propane Gaslights** provide up to 11 hours of light per pound of propane with the brightness of a 70-watt light bulb. Available in classic polished brass and neutral gray finishes, the gaslights are designed for permanent structures like cabins, lodges and ice shanties as well as mobile installations such as RVs, campers and mobile homes. The gaslights will have both soft and hard mantles included and can be converted to natural gas with a separate conversion kit.

Other available accessories include a three-in-one chandelier light kit, replacement mantles and globes. Replacement parts can also be used for all Humphrey™ and Paulin™ lamps and can be ordered directly from Mr. Heater. The suggested retail price for the gaslight is \$65.00.

Mr. Heater's BaseCamp Pro Series **Compact Radiant Heater** is designed for safely heating small

spaces like tents, hunting blinds, truck caps, campers and ice shanties. With 3,800 BTUs per hour of radiant heat, the Compact Radiant Heater is CSA-certified indoor safe and features a low-oxygen shut-off system (ODS) and tip-over safety shut-off system. It operates using a 1-lb.



propane tank, providing 5 1/2 hours of continuous heat. The heater is planned for distribution in September with a suggested retail price of \$65.

"We already see a high demand for the compact heater among the outdoor enthusiasts we have met with," says Dennis O'Toole, Mr. Heater's Vice President of Marketing. "These guys wanted a heater that works effectively in small structures like hunting blinds and ice shanties. We were able to design all of the safety and radiant heating performance features of our popular Buddy® heaters into a smaller, more compact product."

About Mr. Heater. Headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. Heater Inc., a subsidiary of Enerco Group, Inc., is a leading manufacturer of gas-fired portable heating products, propane hose connections, fittings and accessories.

For more information about Mr. Heater's BaseCamp Pro Series products, please contact Dennis O'Toole at 800-251-0001 or visit www.mrheater.com.

NEW DOE/NATIONAL ENERGY TECHNOLOGY LABORATORY GRANT AWARDED TO THE UTAH GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Salt Lake City, Utah -- The Utah Geological Survey (UGS) has received a three-year, \$800,000 grant from DOE/NETL to research water-related issues affecting conventional oil and gas recovery and potential oil shale development in the Uinta Basin, Utah.

The study is a collaborative effort with the University of Utah, Colorado School of Mines, and several industry partners operating in the Uinta Basin. This multi-faceted, interdisciplinary research will:

- 1) investigate saline water disposal problems that hinder oil and natural gas development,
- 2) assess how saline water disposal from conventional petroleum development might create technical and economic hurdles for a prospective oil shale industry,
- 3) collect much needed baseline surface- and ground-water information which could be used by oil shale development companies, and
- 4) analyze water produced from simulated in-situ oil shale extraction technologies and measure its potential affect on Uinta Basin aquifers.

Each part of this study will provide information needed to achieve our two goals: alleviating problems associated with produced water as a means to facilitate increased conventional hydrocarbon production and resolving environmental barriers to possible oil shale development.

The Utah Geological Survey provides timely scientific information about Utah's geologic environment, resources and hazards.

FISHING TIPS FOR SOUTHEASTERN UTAH

GENERAL: Due to the statewide commencement of the general season deer and elk archery hunt on August 16, conservation officers and biologists have turned their attention to hunter and harvest monitoring. Consequently, fishing reports have fallen by the wayside.

Despite the lack of specific fishing tips, a few general principles may be useful. Due to the first



autumn chill, trout are becoming more active. Although they continue to spend the majority of the day in deep water, trout are venturing into shallow water with increasing frequency. Diminishing daylight and dropping water temperatures stimulate feeding activity.

Right now, trout are feeding during nighttime hours to a larger extent, because of the full moon. This makes angling less productive. Come Labor Day weekend, however, this will change with the new moon phase. In fact, Labor Day will be a good time to fish for those planning some outdoor recreation.

Presently, fishing during morning and evening hours will still produce more fish for the creel. Fishing deep water from a boat or pontoon will be much more productive than shoreline angling. That trend will change in the next month or so as water temperatures in lakes and reservoirs become more homogenous, due to autumn cooling. Although most sportsmen focus on hunting at this time of year, fall is one of the best times of the year to fish.

Three Ogden Schools Awarded \$470,000+ For Energy Retrofits

Salt Lake City, Utah -- Three Ogden schools have become the first to receive awards from the Energy Efficiency Loan Fund, established by the Utah State Legislature in 2007. The Utah Geological Survey's State Energy Program announced the award of \$471,000 in interest-free loans to Ogden City School District for the energy retrofit of three schools. Highland, Mound Fort, and Mount Ogden Junior High Schools will each replace antiquated lighting with premium efficiency lamps and ballasts coupled with conservation boosting occupancy sensors.

These loans facilitate conservation retrofits and high performance new construction in Utah's public school districts. The revolving loan fund was allocated five million dollars to pay for efficiency projects. "Once the interest-free principal is repaid through the energy cost savings, school districts retain the rest of the savings for the life of the project and the loan fund can redistribute the original money to another deserving school efficiency project," said William Chatwin, UGS Energy Efficiency Specialist.

Energy Manager Darwin Smith has spearheaded Ogden City School District applications and several ongoing initiatives. Ogden School District has a performance management contract, which guarantees cost savings from behavior monitoring, and facility retrofits. Because of the high-level commitment by district leadership, the district will be able to recoup its initial investment in the lighting design, improve the learning environment for hundreds of students, and cut the energy consumption from the lights in the retrofit areas by more than 70 percent.

Additional points of interest regarding the loan awards are:

- Total amount for all three loans: \$471,051.88
- Total annual energy cost savings: \$47,284.49 per year
- Total number of fixtures: 3,186 existing lights removed, replaced with 3,024 new fixtures
- Annual savings: 715,679 kWh = electricity for ~72 average homes in mountain census region (or 2660 homes unplugging their TV's forever as long as the new lights stay in the retrofitted schools).

All school districts throughout Utah are encouraged to contact the State Energy Program to begin applications for the next review period, which occurs every three months.

The Utah Geological Survey provides timely scientific information about Utah's geologic environment, resources and hazards.

AUTUMN AT DEER VALLEY RESORT:

BEAUTIFUL SCENERY AND FALLING LODGING RATES

DEER VALLEY RESORT, PARK CITY, UTAH (August 19, 2008) – Autumn at Deer Valley Resort means clear, crisp days; colorful fall foliage; and falling lodging rates that entice guests to enjoy a luxury getaway at affordable prices. Deer Valley Resort's owned and operated Central Reservations offers the widest variety of area lodging options at special affordable prices during the fall season.

"Autumn is a beautiful time to visit Deer Valley Resort and our charming town of Park City. The season is a bit quieter, with fewer visitors, and it's a wonderful time to take in the gorgeous foliage of the Wasatch Mountains, enjoy a scenic chairlift ride (until September 14th), enjoy a warm meal by a roaring fire, unwind and relax," says Dirk Beal, Resort director of sales. Since it's not our high season, we're able to offer extremely affordable rates in our lodging properties. Fall is the time to enjoy a special getaway at down-to-earth rates."

LODGING PACKAGES

Deer Valley Central Reservations offers some of the most affordable lodging packages in town. Fall lodging parties will receive a complimentary ride on Deer Valley's® Silver Lake Express chairlift when purchasing lodging through Deer Valley Resort's Central Reservations during the

summer chairlift operation (*open daily through Labor Day then weekends only in September through the 14th, weather and conditions permitting*).

Fall/ 2008 lodging packages include:

Kimball Junction Hotel Package includes a standard hotel room with complimentary continental breakfast and Silver Lake Express chairlift vouchers. Lodging is convenient to Tanger Outlet Mall and the Redstone Center for shopping, dining and entertainment. The package is offered for \$89 per night at the Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites or \$95 per night at the Hampton Inn & Suites. These lodging rates are offered through 11/26/08; lifts close September 14th.

The Deer Valley Hotel Package includes one night's lodging in a hotel room at The Lodges at Deer Valley, conveniently located in the Snow Park base area of Deer Valley Resort and in close



proximity to Park City's Historic Main Street and the Silver Lake Express chairlift; which transports summer guests to the mid-mountain area for mountain biking, scenic chairlift rides, hiking and dining. The price of this package is \$129 per night and

includes the above referenced chairlift ride vouchers for each person in the lodging party. This package rate is valid through 12/07/08; lifts close September 14th.

Deer Valley Condominium Packages offer three options for a fully furnished Deer Valley Resort

area condominium which includes vouchers for rides on the Silver Lake Express chairlift which runs through Labor Day, and then weekends only through September 14, 2008, weather and conditions permitting. (*Minimum stay requirements must be met for lodging discount and are two nights unless otherwise noted.*)

Packages include the **Mont Cervin Plaza & select Royal Plaza Condominiums** with two-bedroom units for \$249 per night or a three-bedroom Penthouse (*three nights required*) for \$349 per night (*checkout by 11/30/08*). **Select condominium at a savings of 10%** - choose from a selection of Deer Valley Resort area condominiums at 10 percent off the listed price (*checkout by*

12/07/08). **Stay two nights and get the third night free** at a selection of Deer Valley Resort area condominiums (*checkout by 12/07/08*).

The Mountain Romance Package for \$398 includes one night's lodging in a suite with a king size bed at the Goldener Hirsch Inn, gourmet three-course dinner in the hotel restaurant (excluding alcohol and gratuity), European style breakfast buffet, chilled champagne or sparkling cider and chocolate dipped strawberries in the guest's suite. This package is available through 9/30/08.

Lodging tax and surcharges are in addition to listed rates unless otherwise noted. All accommodations are individually owned and rented through property managers. Services and amenities vary by unit, complex and property manager. Packages are subject to availability and some restrictions may apply. All rates are subject to change without notice. All of these packages are available through Deer Valley's owned and operated Central Reservations, a full-service department providing one stop vacation planning and assistance.

For more information on Deer Valley's affordable Fall Lodging Packages, please contact Resort Communications Manager Erin Grady at 800-424-DEER (3337) or 435-645-6522. For the most up-to-date lodging packages and "hot deals," guests should visit the Resort website at www.deervalley.com.

ROCK CLIFF RECREATION AREA HOSTS TRIATHLON

Heber- Rock Cliff Recreation Area at Jordanelle State Park hosts the 10th Annual Jordanelle Triathlon Saturday, August 23. Due to heavy bike and pedestrian traffic, Rock Cliff campground is closed to camping Friday, August 22 and the area is closed to day-use visitors Saturday, August 23.



For triathlon information, please visit www.triutah.com. For park information, visit www.stateparks.utah.gov or call (435) 782-3030 or (435) 649-9540.

BOATING SAFETY TIP OF THE MONTH REGISTER FOR UTAH'S PERSONAL WATERCRAFT COURSE

With an ever-increasing demand on Utah's lakes, reservoirs and rivers, boaters have the responsibility to learn, practice and advocate safe, courteous and ethical use of our waterways. Responsibilities include learning and obeying boating safety laws and rules, being environmentally conscious, and sharing the waterways with other boaters, swimmers, and anglers.

Recent surveys indicate that more than 80 percent of Utah's registered boat owners have not completed a boating safety course. This implies that a vast majority of Utah's boaters are unaware of the basic safety equipment and navigation rules needed to operate a boat. Not only

will successful completion of a boating safety course increase knowledge and participation of boating safety, it can also reduce boat insurance premiums.

For more information about boating safety courses in Utah, or for a free copy of Utah's Boating Course, visit www.stateparks.utah.gov or call (801) 538-2628 within the Salt Lake calling area or 1-800-743-3792 from outside the Salt Lake calling area.

Salt Lake City -- With plenty of warm days left this summer, Utah's boating officials remind boaters to include plans for Utah's personal watercraft education course. Classes remain available statewide.

Utah law allows youths 12 through 17 to operate a personal watercraft (PWC, i.e. Sea Doo, Jet Ski, and Wave Runner) if they meet the following conditions:

1. Those 12 through 17 must successfully complete Utah's PWC Education Course and carry a certificate while operating a PWC.
2. Youths, ages 12 through 15, must be under direct supervision of a person who is 18 years of age or older.
3. PWC operators who are less than 18, who have not met the above requirements, may not operate a PWC unless a person who is at least 18 years old accompanies them on board the PWC.

"Many people call less than one week before their trip, hoping to get their child into one of Utah's PWC education classes," said Boating Education Specialist Chris Haller. "By planning ahead, they can avoid disappointment."

The course is designed for home and classroom study. The 1.5-hour classroom portion includes instruction and review of important Utah boating laws and rules, a PWC safety video, common boating courtesies, identification of buoys and hazards and a written test. Upon completion, PWC operators are better prepared to safely enjoy Utah's waters.

To register and enroll in Utah's PWC Education Course, or to take a safe boating course, contact the Utah State Parks and Recreation Boating Hotline at 801-538-BOAT (2628) from within the Salt Lake calling area or 1-800-RIDE-PWC (743-3792) from areas outside of the Salt Lake calling area, or visit www.stateparks.utah.gov.

EDGE OF THE CEDARS HOSTS WEAVING CLASS

Blanding -- On Friday, September 19 and Saturday, September 20 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Edge of the Cedars State Park Museum, master weaver Clotilde Barrett of Torrey leads a two-day workshop on how to weave a traditional native sash belt. Tuition is \$100 and includes all materials and use of looms.

The hand-woven sash belt has been an important item of apparel around the world for thousands

of years. The sash belt remains a critical and necessary component of traditional dress and ceremonial attire for native people of the Four Corners, and holds a special place in women's well being.

Registration is required and the class is filling quickly. Please call (435) 678-2238 to register or for more information.

UPCOMING UTAH STATE PARKS EVENTS

August 19 – January Edge of the Cedars State Park Museum - Blanding

Art Exhibit: Canvas and Clay is a selection of Blanding resident and artist Mary Anne Scott's watercolors, pastels, bold acrylics and oil paintings. Also view whimsical sculptures and figures created from clay. (435) 678-2238

August 22 Bear Lake State Park – Garden City

Star Party: Join members from the Salt Lake Astronomical Club beginning at 8 p.m., at the amphitheater for a 45-minute presentation on star finding, followed by a viewing of the night sky using a telescope. (435) 946-3343

August 26 Escalante Petrified Forest State Park - Escalante

Birds of Escalante: Learn fun avian facts while watching for birds at the park. Get a closer look with binoculars and a spotting scope. Meet at the visitor center at 9 a.m. (435) 826-4466

August 27 Escalante Petrified Forest State Park - Escalante

Backcountry Hike: Join the park naturalist on a guided three-mile hike at Bailey's Wash. Meet at the visitor center at 9 a.m. Bring water, a snack, and a sense of adventure! (435) 826-4466

August 28 Escalante Petrified Forest State Park - Escalante

Geology Hike: Travel back in time 150 million years! Discover the park's unique geology on this guided hike to the Petrified Forest. Meet at the visitor center at 9 a.m. (435) 826-4466

August 29 Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse

Bat Netting Research: Join local biologists on a survey of the park's bat population from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Sign up quickly as space is limited. (801) 721-9569

August 29 Escalante Petrified Forest State Park - Escalante

Star Gazing Program: Marvel at southern Utah's dark skies and search for planets, constellations and other celestial wonders. Meet at the visitor center at 9 p.m. (435) 826-4466

August 29 Goblin Valley State Park - Green River

Armchair Astronomy: Ever wonder how city lights affect our night sky? What is the sky like without nearby lights? Join park staff from 8:30 to 9:15 p.m. and take a deeper look at Goblin Valley's night sky. Meet at the Observation Point above the Valley of the Goblins. Bring a lawn chair and wear warm layers. (435) 564-3633

August 30 Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse

Junior Ranger Program: Learn the art of identifying birds by their songs. Participants should wear sturdy shoes, bring plenty of water, sunscreen, bug repellent and meet at the ranch at 10 a.m. This activity is intended for children ages six to 12, however everyone is welcome. (801) 721-9569

August 30 Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse

Industry on Great Salt Lake Program: Collecting brine shrimp cysts, salt and other minerals from Great Salt Lake has proven very profitable for many Utah businesses. Join the park naturalist for a closer look into these industries. Meet at the visitor center at 3 p.m. (801) 721-9569

August 30 Escalante Petrified Forest State Park - Escalante

Junior Ranger Program - All About Birds: Join the park naturalist for a fun birding adventure. Explore the lives of birds through games and activities, and learn how to use binoculars and a spotting scope. Meet at the visitor center at 9 a.m. (435) 826-4466

August 30 Goblin Valley State Park – Green River

Junior Ranger Program: Who are the predators and who are the prey at Goblin Valley? How do they survive in this harsh environment? This program is geared toward children six to 12, but everyone is welcome. Earn a Junior Ranger badge and have fun! Meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Observation Point above the Valley of the Goblins. (435) 564-3633

August 30 Goblin Valley State Park - Green River Bats! Bats aren't creepy, crawly pests, they're fascinating animals that play a big role in Goblin Valley's ecosystem. Join park staff at 8:30 p.m. to learn about these important, misunderstood critters. Meet at the amphitheater just past the campground. (435) 564-3633

August 30 Wasatch Mountain State Park - Midway

The Orchard - A Rich and Unusual History: Tour historic Huber Grove from 10 to 11 a.m. Visit this beautiful, peaceful area and learn about the rich and unusual history of the 100-year-old apple orchard, which is still largely fruit bearing. Huber Grove is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. (435) 654-1791

August 30 – September 1 Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse

Labor Day Weekend Activities: Join park staff in celebrating Labor Day at historic Fielding Garr Ranch. Learn to make pioneer handkerchief dolls, pick up a needle and quilt, dip candles and make a pioneer lantern. Participants need to bring an empty vegetable or soup can to make their own pioneer lantern. These activities are available all day.

On Saturday, September 1 at 2 p.m., join the park naturalist for a Junior Ranger Program. This program is geared for children age six to 12, but everyone is welcome. (801) 649-5742

August 31 Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse

Hike with Naturalist: Bighorn sheep roam through remote rugged landscapes. Join the park naturalist on a guided hike to the top of Frary Peak and learn more about the park's bighorn sheep. This is a seven-mile, six-hour hike is of moderate difficulty. Participants should bring sturdy shoes, water, bug spray, sunscreen, snack and meet at the Frary Trailhead at 8 a.m. (801) 721-9569

August 31 Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse

Lake Affect: Take a closer look into the ecosystem of Great Salt Lake while viewing the movie Lake Affect. (801) 721-9569

Ogden Nature Center's 23rd Annual Wildwoods BASH Slated for Saturday, September 13, 2008 / 5:00 pm

Enjoy a fabulous evening outdoors and help raise funds for the Ogden Nature Center and its many programs at the 23rd Annual Wildwoods BASH. This fun, casual event held in the glen behind the Visitor Center will include a feast fit for hungry bears, foxy music by the Keipp Quartet and the Nature Center's signature auction of nature and outdoor-inspired items.

This year's auction will include an original watercolor by Julie Lewis, a touring kayak by Necky, a Sesna airplane adventure, nature-themed art, a bicycle, outdoor getaways both far away and close to home, an hors d'oeuvres party in a treehouse, pottery, a hand-knit treasure by Richard White, the latest in outdoor gear by Salomon and Suunto, and much more.

Dinner will be catered and donated by our outstanding local chef, Pete Buttschardt from Roosters Brewing Company, along with help from his colleagues at Bistro 258, The Artisan Grille, The Athenian, The City Club, Great Harvest Bread Company, Grounds for Coffee, Maddox, Peddlers, Sandy's Fine Foods and Union Grill.

The Wildwoods BASH is made possible through generous support of our many sponsors, lead by the Goddard Family Foundation. All proceeds support the Ogden Nature Center's award winning nature education programs, care for injured wild birds and the Nature Center's beautiful, 152-acre nature preserve.

Tickets are \$60 per person or \$1000 for a reserved table of 10. For more information or to reserve tickets, please call the Nature Center at 621-7595 or send an email to info@ogdennaturecenter.org.

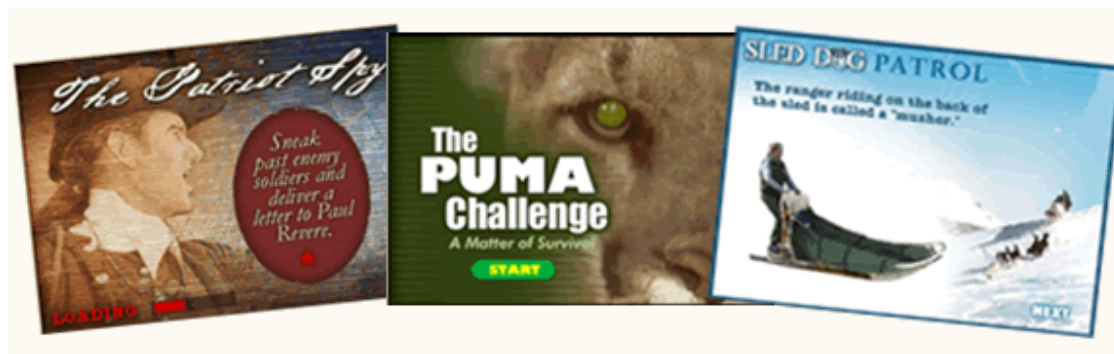
The Ogden Nature Center is located at 966 W. 12th Street in Ogden. Our mission is to unite people with nature and nurture appreciation and stewardship of the environment.

National Park Service unveils new website for children

WASHINGTON, DC – The Kids Zone, a new addition to the National Park Service's website, <http://www.nps.gov>, contains more than 50 interactive activities designed to connect children

with the people, places, and events commemorated in the country's 391 National Park Service sites.

Starting August 25, children visiting the website can learn about Mitsy, a nine-year-old Border Collie who performs an important job at the Statue of Liberty or little Lula McLean's rag doll which is a witness to history at Appomattox Courthouse or how Thomas Edison changed their lives.



“The Kids Zone, launched on the 92nd anniversary of the National Park Service, introduces the next generation of park stewards to the fascinating stories

told in national parks,” said National Park Service Director Mary A. Bomar. “The website will enable young people to actively explore parks without leaving home but, hopefully, will also inspire them to visit these special places in person.”

The website includes information on the 325 in-park Junior Ranger programs where young visitors complete booklets on park resources and earn certificates, patches, or badges. In 2007, more than 440,000 children participated in Junior Ranger programs nationwide.

Other features on the website include stories by children who live in national parks, biographies of dogs who work in national parks, and an expanded WebRangers page. Children can continue to earn a WebRanger patch after completing exercises that include decoding a secret message from George Washington, helping endangered turtles get to the sea, setting up a ranger station, tracking animals, and learning how to survive in the desert.

The Kids Zone “hot button” on <http://www.nps.gov>, the National Park Service homepage, will provide a direct link to the expanded children's website starting on August 25, 2008.

PARK CITY MOUNTAIN RESORT HOSTS WORLD PREMIERE FOR “I RIDE PARK CITY”

Park City, Utah (August 19, 2008) – Park City Mountain Resort hosts “I Ride Park City” world premiere on Tuesday, August 26, 2008 at the Town Lift Plaza in Park City, Utah.

“Park City Mountain Resort is thrilled to premiere its second feature film, ‘I Ride Park City,’ on the mountain, under the stars with special guests Shaun White and the Park City All-Stars,” said Jim Mangan, director of action sports marketing for Park City Mountain Resort and director of “I

Ride Park City." "It's a privilege to have made this movie with so many talented riders and to see the Resort's best terrain on the big screen."

"I Ride Park City" features some of the top riders in the world including Shaun White, Torah Bright, Torstein Horgmo, Eero Ettala, Aaron Bittner, Heikki Sorsa, Dan Brisse, and Erin Comstock. "I Ride Park City" is the only movie that Shaun White has participated in this year. Park City Mountain Resort was the only resort filmed in the movie with top terrain locations highlighted such as the terrain parks, the Eagle Superpipe, legendary Jupiter Peak, out of bounds locations and historic mining buildings. The town of Park City was prominently featured in the movie as tribute to its rich mining history and distinguishable landmarks. The movie's unique camera angles and movement were enabled through the longest cable cam available, which stretches for more than 2,000 feet. As well, helicopter follow shots created a distinct look and feel to the action sports film. Attributed to the exciting visuals, Video Action Sports is distributing "I Ride Park City" as one of their top films for the year.

The "I Ride Park City" world premiere will begin at 8:00 pm at the Town Lift Plaza, located directly off of lower Main Street. Events are as follows:

- 8:00 pm: Autograph signing with Park City All-Stars, including Shaun White.
- 9:00 pm: World Premiere of "I Ride Park City."

Admission to the event is free. Several prizes will be given away including Park City Mountain Resort season passes, autographed Shaun White snowboard and gear from DC, Quiksilver, Roxy and Burton. An after-party will be hosted at Harry O's on Main Street for those who are 21 years of age and up.

"I Ride Park City" follows in the success of its movie predecessor, "City. Park City.," which was the first 16 mm snowboard movie to feature only one resort (Park City Mountain Resort) and was nominated in two categories at the 2007 X-DANCE Film Festival. Both movies are directed by Park City Mountain Resort's director of action sports marketing, Jim Mangan, who designs and implements the award-winning terrain parks.

New Elite 6500 Riflescope Selected As "Best of the Best" **By *Field & Stream* Editors**

Overland Park, Kan. — *Field & Stream* magazine has recognized the Elite 6500 2.5-16x42mm riflescope from Bushnell Outdoor Products as of the "Best of the Best" for 2008 in the riflescope optics category. Each year, field editors from *Field & Stream* magazine test hundreds of new products and recognize those that they feel represent innovation, quality and performance for their readers. Winners in the hunting category were presented in the September issue of the magazine.

New for 2008, the Elite 6500 series features a 6.5x magnification range — one of the widest in the industry. The Elite 2.5-16x42 is a versatile scope that can be used in the brush as well as the wide-open prairie, from the Georgia pine forests to the high peaks of the Rockies. The field

testers liked the push/pull turrets with resettable zero, the 60 inches of travel on both windage and elevation travel, and .25 MOA quick adjust clicks. This scope is constructed with a one-piece, 30mm tube to deliver plenty of light for those perfect shots right before legal shooting ends. It's available with either a fine Multi-X or Mil Dot reticle to accommodate any shooting style.

FoxFury's Fan Light Enhances User Visibility

FoxFury's Fan Light adds unique visibility to Search Teams, Fire Fighters, Law Enforcement Officials, and Recreational Users!

The 4 LED / 2 Color light is available with White LEDs, and 2 custom Red and Blue color inserts. Various combinations of Blue, Red, and/or White aid in user visibility more optimally than any other light colors!

Additionally, FoxFury's Fan Light offers 4 modes. Uniquely, the first three modes are activated by motion. For example, the light will shift from one color to the next in response to arm movement. The light's final automatic mode is a simple flashing sequence between the two colors.



The Fan Light is designed to slide around a user's wrist, but could be easily attached elsewhere on a person or on gear.

It is powered by 2 AAA batteries, offering up to 40 hours of light output. The light weighs 1.9 oz, is water (weather proof) and impact resistant.

Originally created for use by Fans at Professional Sports Games (such as baseball or football) to show team spirit, the Fan Light colors can be selected accordingly to fit a specific team's colors!

Additional insert colors to be released by the end of 2008. This will aid in the identification of various teams or individuals on a scene.

MSRP \$24.99 http://www.foxfury.com/products/fan_light_series/index.htm

NEW CLASSIC MARKS ROGER TORY PETERSON'S BIRTH CENTENNIAL Peterson Revolutionizes Field Guides Again Using Video Podcasts

In celebration of Roger Tory Peterson's birth centennial (8.28.08) comes a historic collaboration among renowned birding experts and artists: the PETERSON FIELD GUIDE TO BIRDS OF NORTH AMERICA. This new book combines the "Peterson Field Guide to Eastern Birds" and "Peterson Field Guide to Western Birds" into one volume for the very first time. It includes fully

revised text, forty new paintings, all-new range maps, and more than three hours of video podcasts to introduce a whole new generation to the wonder of birds.

When Roger Tory Peterson first wrote and illustrated his pocket-sized guide for bird watchers, publishers questioned whether Americans would be interested in learning about bird life. At least four publishers turned down *A FIELD GUIDE TO THE BIRDS* before Houghton Mifflin took a chance on the then-unknown Peterson. Published in 1934, its 2,000-copy first printing sold out in just two weeks. Today, published in five editions, *A FIELD GUIDE TO THE BIRDS* has sold 8,000,000+ copies. *Time Magazine* called Peterson "the world's most famous birder and the man who single-handedly opened up ornithology to the masses."