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Professor of Archaeology Robert Neilly gives insight into the Prescott Culture at the April 5, 2014 Rededication.

## Rededication of the Ruins at Willow Lake

The City of Prescott is dedicated to properly maintain and preserve Arizona's designated archaeological sites within its jurisdiction. After three months of painstakingly hard work, preservation of the archaeological ruins on display at Willow Lake was celebrated with a rededication ceremony on April 5, 2014.

The work was accomplished with the help of the Prescott Chapter of the Arizona Archaeological Society and the City's Community Restitution Program. The ruins on display under the two large ramadas were further preserved by removing debris that had accumulated since its inception. During the process the ruins were more well defined.

Through the years it was thought that this area was of minor archaeological significance. In the early 2000s the

City planned an expansion of the Willow Lake amenities and investigated the site. To their surprise the site was found to be of major importance and excavation of the area was undertaken. To preserve the ruins, the City's plan was significantly modified taking into account the locations of the ruins. Thousand of artifacts, now housed at Sharlot Hall Museum, were found as well as the skeletal remains of some of the inhabitants. The remains were relocated with a burial ceremony provided by the Yavapai-Prescott and Hopi tribes.

During the rededication, Fred Kraps from the Prescott Chapter of the Arizona Archaeological Society, who led the volunteer project, along with Greg Brown and Robert Neilly, Ph.D. of Logan-Simpson Design in Tempe, who completed the original excavation, spoke giving the attendees further insight and information regarding the site, its importance and the culture residing there. Predominantly occupied between A.D. 900 and A.D. 1100 it housed a distinct

civilization known as the Prescott Culture with up to 800 residents, and is a great example of the Hohokam influence on the peoples of the Prescott region.

Attending the event was Mayor Marlin Kuykendall and his wife Tana. Also in attendance were Councilmen Charlie Arnold and Greg Lizzell, as well as Judge Arthur Markham (representing the City's Community Restitution Program.)

To read more about pre-historic sites within the City of Prescott see pages four and six.

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Touring the ruins at the Rededication.

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Joe Baynes

City of Prescott

Recreation Services Director

## The Parks - Stricklin Forest Park

After a neighborhood campaign provided matching funds, in 1989 the City of Prescott purchased 4.4 acres along Sherwood Drive. Contributions ranged from \$5.00 to \$2,000 from individuals, businesses, and organizations including Howard Stricklin and Prescott Audubon Society. Designated an open space natural parkland, this little oasis became Stricklin Forest Park in 1992 after Howard Stricklin, who was instrumental in the effort to obtain the land, suddenly died in 1990.

The park has no developed facilities. Instead it is a neighborhood open space oasis with habitat for people, birds, and native plants. A good example of a creekside riparian area, Butte Creek flows under large cottonwood trees in a meadow, with huge ponderosa pines on the hillside. Although intermittent, the creek contains enough water to support the trees, plants, birds, and wildlife in the area. It also serves as the trailhead for Butte Creek Trail (*see page four*).

Prescott Audubon Society adopted the park in 1995 and began improvements. Troon Corporation was developing the Hassayampa golf club project south of the park, and agreed to donate a number of large boulders they had unearthed to them. PAS commissioned environmental sculptors Rebecca Davis and Roger Asay to use the boulders in a number of ways, the most striking of which is the sculpture/seating area (*pictured below*.) Other flat boulders were placed along the path for visitors to sit and reflect.

PAS's maintenance and plans for the park continues. This year they have organized an effort to clean and gently improve the park. With the help of Prescott Recreation Services Department and volunteers, including neighbors and Over the Hill Gang, they are clearing monsoon debris and making enhancements to water channels for monsoon waters. Other improvements will include new signage, rerouting of the Butte Creek trailhead to reduce erosion, a new and safer bridge over the creek, as well as other general maintenance issues. Work should be completed by the end of the summer.

Stricklin Forest Park is an excellent example of all of the City of Prescott's residents working together to preserve and maintain a very special place for future generations.

*(Contributor: Prescott Audubon Society)*



*(Photo courtesy of Nancy Nesbit)*

The Prescott Audubon Society and Over the Hill Gang take a break during their workday at Stricklin Forest Park's Stone Circle, Butte Creek. The day's activities included cleaning up the park and rerouting trail access from Stricklin Forest Park to Butte Creek Trail.

The Prescott Audubon Society was involved with the park from its inception as a major contributor towards the purchase of the park's land in 1989. They used the park for many birding excursions and decided to give back. In June 1995, Prescott Audubon Society signed an agreement with the City of Prescott to adopt the park. Over the next four years PAS committed thousands of dollars and hundreds of man-hours to clean up, restore, and enhance the park. Their efforts were made possible by large bequests to the society from members Arthur and Clara Nagel and Hugh Graham who wanted the money to be used "for the good of the people of Prescott."

### Howard B. Stricklin

1907 - 1990  
Superintendent, Grand Canyon National Park  
1965-1969

After a long career with the National Park Service, Howard Stricklin and his wife moved to Prescott upon his retirement in 1969.

A civic leader in Prescott, he alerted the community to development plans in the rocky, forested land where he and his grandchildren walked, and a favorite area for hikers and equestrians.

Mr. Stricklin inspired others to join him and they led an effort to preserve the land. Stricklin Forest Park was preserved and is a result of their efforts.

#### Stricklin Park

1751 Sherwood Drive, Prescott, AZ

#### Summer Hours

*(Memorial Day through Labor Day)*

5:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

#### Winter Hours

5:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

#### Free Parking

Visit us online through the city site under city services at: [www.cityofprescott.net](http://www.cityofprescott.net) or [www.cityofprescott.net/services/parks/](http://www.cityofprescott.net/services/parks/)

## The Lakes - Willow Lake Willow Lake's North Shore

If you like to hike, picnic, or go boating and fishing, then Willow Lake's north shore has it covered. An archaeological site is also located here (*see page one*).

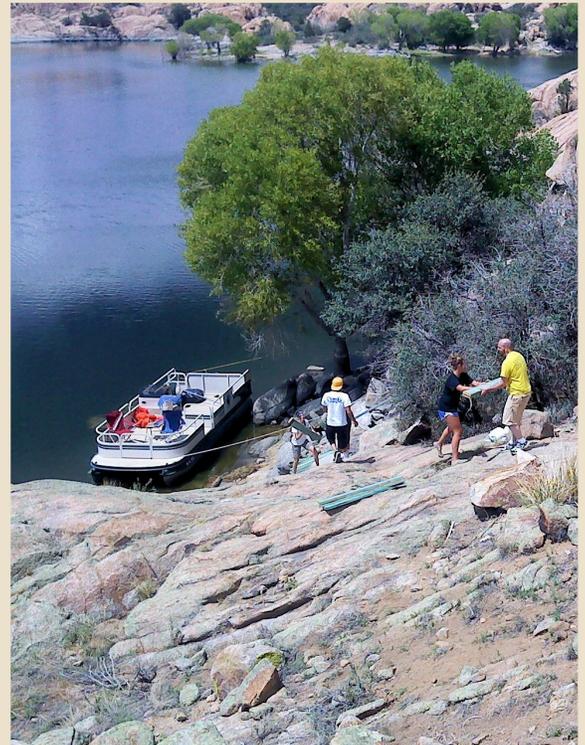
**Picnicking:** Five small ramadas overlook the lake on the north shore and have a barbecue and picnic table for small groups of up to 10 people. They are offered on a first come, first served basis. The two large ramadas are designed for larger groups, with a capacity of 150, and are available for rent.

**Boating:** A no wake lake, kayaking and canoeing are popular on this lake, although electric motors are permitted. The north end of the lake is covered with the boulders of the dells. The south end is part of the IBM (Important Bird Area) and is rich with migrating as well as resident water birds.

**Fishing:** Fishing at Willow Lake is best by boat. The lake has largemouth bass, crappie, sunfish, catfish (channel) and bluegill. Fishing for bass is especially good in the spring since this shallow lake warms up early, before the other lakes.

**Hiking:** The northshore trailhead is located at the east side of the courtesy dock boat ramp parking area, and is a leg of the 5.7 mile loop trail around Willow Lake. Elevations are from a low of 5073 feet to a high of 5225 feet. It has great sweeping views and consists of technical rock hopping and steep steps. This portion of the trail is best suited for hiking.

(Contributor: Nancy Nesbit)



(File Photos)

(Above) Parks staff delivers timber and lumber to Over the Hill Gang to build a bridge on Northshore Trail.

(Below) One of five small ramadas that overlook the lake.

(Bottom) The courtesy dock and boat launch at Willow Lake's north shore.

### AMMENITIES

- Boat Launch (*no gasoline motors*)
- Courtesy Dock
- Five Small Picnic Ramadas
- Two Large Ramadas (*available for rent*)
- Two Restrooms
- Archaeological Site
- Multi-use Trail around the lake

For parking passes and park information visit us online through the city site under city services at: [www.cityofprescott.net](http://www.cityofprescott.net) or [www.cityofprescott.net/services/parks/](http://www.cityofprescott.net/services/parks/)

For rentals information visit us online at: [www.cityofprescott.net/services/parks/rentals](http://www.cityofprescott.net/services/parks/rentals)

You may also telephone us at (928) 777-1122 or visit us at our office located at 824 E. Gurley St., Prescott, AZ 86301

### HOURS

Summer: 6:00 am—10:00 pm (*Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend*)

Winter: 7:00 am—Sunset

**PARKING FEE \$2.00**

(Watson, Willow, Goldwater Lakes and Peavine Trailhead)

One Day Pass Good At All Four Locations.

*Parking is free on Wednesdays.*



## The Trails - Butte Creek Trail

Located in the pines on the west side of Prescott, Butte Creek Trail (Trail #321) was the first trail within the City trail system to work hand-in-hand with private residents to provide hikers and equestrians a trail (with easements) through private property, and the second trail constructed by the City Volunteer Trail Crew (i.e. before they merged with Prescott National Forest's Over the Hill Gang many years later.) Visitors are required to stay on the trail.

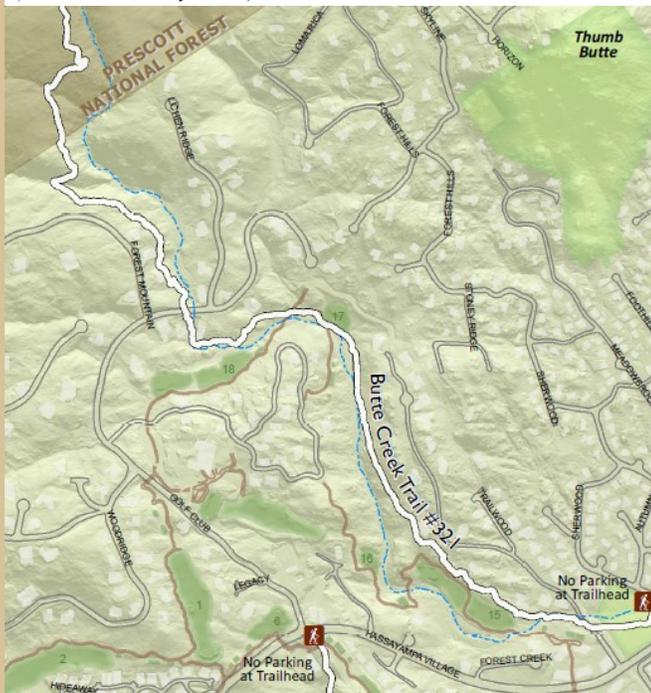
The City portion consists of the first 1.3 miles from Stricklin Forest Park (see page 2). This westbound trail runs parallel to Butte Creek to the Prescott National Forest. The trail climbs toward the Sierra Prieta Mountains and gives hikers grand views toward Thumb Butte and down into Butte Creek gorge.

The trail continues on through the Prescott National Forest and connects to other trails which are included in a larger trail system, some connecting to the 50-mile Prescott Circle Trail.

The City portion has an elevation change of 280 feet. A primitive trail with uneven rocky ground the level of technicality is a three out of four.

*Watch for extremely old junipers along the trail, and use caution when in proximity of the golf course.*

(Contributor: Nancy Nesbit)



**Length:** 1.3 miles (City portion, one way)  
**Elevations:** 5508' (Low) - 5788' (High)  
**Activities:** Hiking, Horseback Riding  
**Access:** Stricklin Forest Park on Sherwood Drive, free parking.

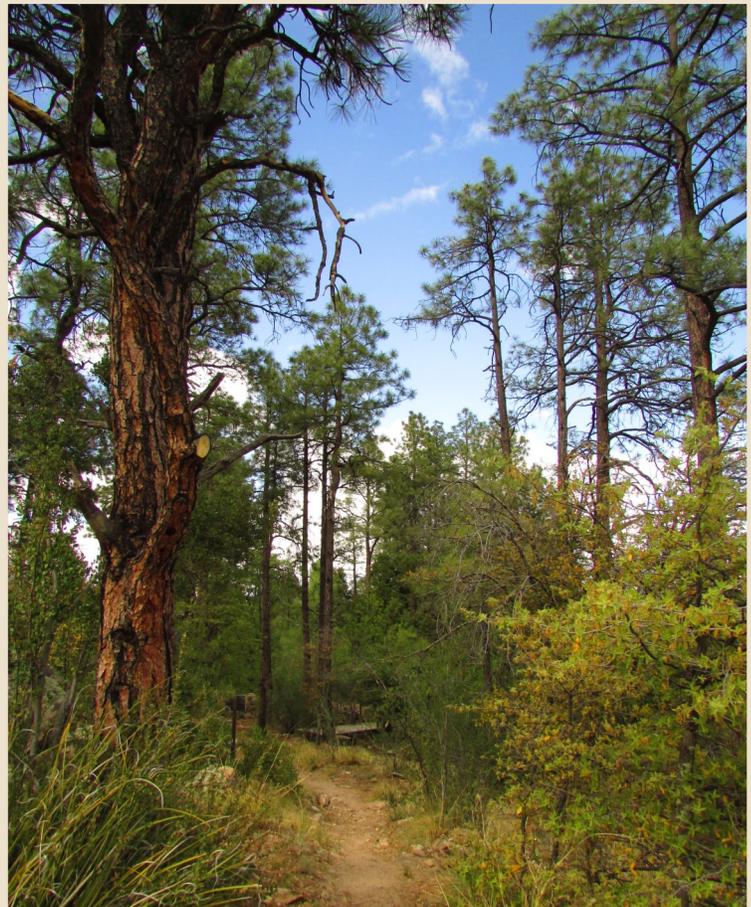
*This and other trail maps are downloadable at the city website under city services at: [www.cityofprescott.net/services/parks](http://www.cityofprescott.net/services/parks) or [www.prescotttrails.com](http://www.prescotttrails.com)*



(Photos Courtesy of Nancy Nesbit)

Located on the north side of the trail just above Stricklin Forest Park are ruins indicating the existence of pithouses and pueblos which date from approximately AD 750 to AD 1300.

Working with the Prescott Chapter of the Arizona Archaeological Society, Prescott Audubon Society (see page two) developed this site for its educational value to the community.



# Sports Page - 2014 Senior Olympics August 1<sup>st</sup> thru August 23<sup>rd</sup>

Join us for the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Senior Olympics hosted by the City of Prescott Recreation Services Department. These games are offered to "Young at Heart Seniors" aged 50 and above as of December 31, 2014. Participants travel from all over Arizona for these events. Team events usher in participants from California, New Mexico, Nevada, and in the past few years Ohio, Missouri, Michigan, and Maryland. Registration began June 2<sup>nd</sup>. To be added to the mailing list or for more information, please call Michelle Stacy-Schroeder with Prescott Recreation Services Department at: (928) 777-1552.

*Events are held at various venues in the City of Prescott area. Schedules giving event locations, dates and times are available at the Recreation Services Department office, online or by phone.*

*The 2014 Calendar of Sports Events for all tournaments was published in our Spring Newsletter and the schedule is available online or at the Recreation Services Department office (listed below.)*



(Photos courtesy of Nancy Nesbit)

In 2013 women's softball included teams from across the country including Skormor, a team comprised of players from Arizona and California (above).

2013 men's volleyball was held at the Prescott High School gymnasium (left).



## Events

### Individual and/or Partner Events

Pickleball, Tennis, Shooting, Swimming, Track and Field, Bowling, Horseshoes, Golf, and Pool Shooting (new this year).

### Team Events

Volleyball and Women's Softball



### Contact Information

To enter teams or leagues  
telephone (928) 777-1557  
or email:

rick.hormann@prescott-az.gov

Our calendar of sporting events is available at our Parks and Recreation Department office located at the Grace Sparkes Memorial Activity Center  
824 E. Gurley St.  
Prescott, AZ 86301  
Telephone: (928) 777-1122

Visit us on the City's website at:  
[www.cityofprescott.net/services/parks](http://www.cityofprescott.net/services/parks)  
There are links to both adult and youth sports.

### Spotlight On Cal Cordes

Extraordinary volunteers like Cal Cordes are instrumental in putting on events such as Senior Olympics. Cal has been a Commissioner for bowling and horseshoes Senior Olympics events since it began 15 years ago. A friend of our first director A.C. Williams, he has been involved in many sports, in various capacities, within the Recreation Services Department since 1959. A member of Mile-Hi Horseshoe Club, Cal was also instrumental in developing the horseshoe complex at Watson Lake. Born in Prescott, Cal grew up in Cordes, Arizona (near Mayer) and Wickenburg, where he graduated from high school. Graduating from college in 1952, he eventually returned to Prescott in 1959. With a Masters degree in physical education, he mainly taught PE and coached sports at various Prescott schools.

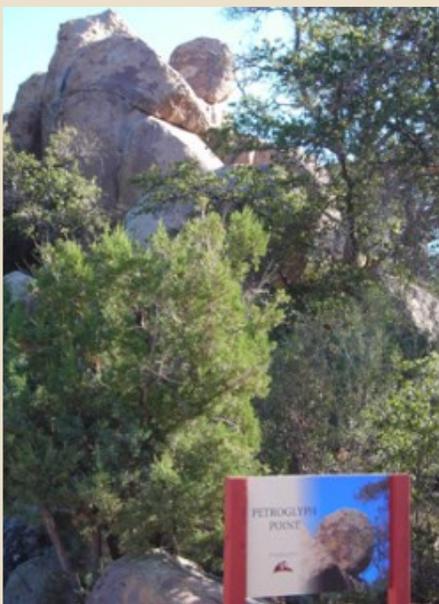
Cal has been a sports announcer and spotter for over 25 years at Prescott High School, and their press box bears his name. Cal's volunteerism is broad and in 2005 he was named National Volunteer of the Year by the Good Samaritan Society. A fixture at the Recreation Services Department, Cal continues to be involved and engaged in our community and its activities.

## Our History Pre-Historic Destinations

Arizona has a rich pre-historic history that includes cliff dwellings, pueblos, pithouses, and petroglyphs, to name a few. Close to home, Prescott is included in that history and has several destinations for residents and visitors alike. The pueblos and pithouses of interest are the archaeological site at Willow Lake (*see page one*) and the small site located on Butte Creek Trail at Stricklin Park (*see page four*). Included in this pre-historic history are two petroglyph sites accessible to the public, Prescott Lakes Petroglyphs, and Petroglyph Point-Indian Rock Petroglyphs. To learn more about the City of Prescott's history visit the city website at: [www.cityofprescott.net/history/](http://www.cityofprescott.net/history/)

### Prescott Lakes Petroglyphs

Numerous petroglyphs are located throughout the Prescott Lakes area, with some accessible via the trail system originating at Vista Park that leads to the highest mesa, offering the visitor 360° views. Once on the highest mesa, a trail system leads to the petroglyphs (i.e. some that have been relocated), and some excellent interpretive signs. Petroglyphs are also found in seven pocket parks throughout the Prescott Lakes Master Planned Community.  
**Vista Park - 1684 Sarafina Drive**



### Petroglyph Point-Indian Rock Petroglyphs

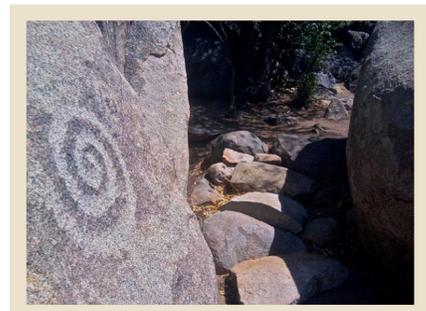
Originally the Dalke Property, and now part of the Enchanted Canyon Subdivision, the rock outcropping featuring the Indian Rock Petroglyphs and associated open space were dedicated to the City as part of the subdivision process. The prominent granite outcrop contains over 100 petroglyph elements, with a nearby public trail. The site has been a popular picnic spot since the 1800s and contains the names and dates of those early visitors, as well as, a beautiful array of pre-historic elements.

To access the site, travel west on Iron Springs Road 1.9 miles from the Miller Valley/Willow Creek Road intersection, and turn left on Siery Peaks Drive. Proceed 1.7 miles to Ridgewood Drive and turn left, proceed .3 mile and turn left onto Enchanted Canyon Way. Proceed 200 feet and park on the right, and look for the sign "Petroglyph Point". You can see the petroglyphs on the highest point of the boulder outcropping. The public trail mentioned above begins just 40 feet south of the Petroglyph Point sign.

#### **Enchanted Canyon Subdivision**

The Petroglyph Point-Indian Rock Petroglyphs also became accessible via Centennial Trail, completed in 2012. The petroglyphs are located in the western boulders section of this rugged trail. Free parking is located on Kile Street half way between the two trail sections, which are a two mile out-and-back in either direction. At times challenging, hikes on this trail are rated a 2.5 out of 4.

#### **Kile Street off Iron Springs Road**



## Our Activities and Volunteers Over the Hill Gang

Not only does Over the Hill Gang contribute by building new trails, they also help maintain, reroute and add to existing trails. Over time erosion, overgrowth, and hazards crop up. Some of the older trails may have long standing problems that need correction. Also, existing trails are often enhanced with the expansion of systems within a park.

Although the 50-mile Prescott Circle Trail has been their main focus recently, Over the Hill Gang has also expanded the trail system at the Community Nature Center by adding another 0.9 miles. They constructed 1.5 miles to the new Granite Gardens Trails system in March 2013. Recently they rerouted the Butte Creek Trail access from Stricklin Forest Park (see pages 2 and 4), due to a water runoff problem on a portion of the existing trail.

*Below left: Moving Boulders  
Below Right: Hiking to the Trail*

*Photos taken April 25, 2014 on the Butte Creek Trail access rerouting at Stricklin Forest Park.*

*(Photos Courtesy of Nancy Nesbit)*

It is amazing to see how quickly and efficiently they work, while taking care to make sure the natural look and feel of the environment is kept. They also seem to really enjoy moving boulders.

*(Contributor: Nancy Nesbit)*



The Over The Hill Gang completes two to three-tenths of a mile of trail during each three hour session. Working two mornings a week they complete approximately six to 10 miles of trail per year. All ages are welcome. The size and scope of our trail system is in large part due to the hard work volunteers who contribute to our city and the Prescott area in general.

To volunteer for Over the Hill Gang visit the Prescott Trails website at:  
[www.prescotttrails.com](http://www.prescotttrails.com) (click on the link at Help Build Prescott's Trails System.)



### Pulling Double Duty Mark Carpenter and Jim Lohay

The City of Prescott is full of volunteers, and many volunteer with more than one organization who work within our Recreation Services Department. Such is the case with both Mark Carpenter and Jim Lohay. Both volunteer with Over the Hill Gang and the Volunteer Park Rangers.

Mark Carpenter (and his wife Kathy) have made it their mission to keep our map boxes stocked. Mark also assists by installing many (if not most) of our trail signs. Mark joined the Over the Hill Gang in April 2012 and both Mark and Kathy joined the Volunteer Park Rangers in January 2012.

Although Jim Lohay only recently joined the Volunteer Park Ranger program, he has been a volunteer with Over the Hill Gang since 2012. "Go outside and play" is the slogan on a bench honoring Jim on his birthday in 2013. It sits by a small tree atop Stairway Loop Trail (pictured left) in the Granite Gardens Trail System and was donated by Jim's family.

Mark and Jim may be the focus in this issue, but others pulling double duty with both groups include Carolyn Marsh and Dale Kime.



**Mark Carpenter (left) and Jim Lohay (right)**

## Projects

### Bocce Ball Court Renovation at Watson Lake

Projects within the Recreation Services Department are not always about adding new facilities, it is also about maintaining and renovating existing areas needing attention. Such was the case with the bocce ball court at Watson Lake. A local enthusiast, who wishes to remain anonymous, noticed that the court was no longer up to standards for serious players. Taking matters into his own hands he walked into the Recreation Services Department's office and offered to pay for a renovation of the facility. An agreement was reached, and with matching funds from the department, the project began on April 2, 2014 and was completed at the end of May 2014. The wood borders were removed and replaced with new concrete borders to create a better playing area, while requiring less maintenance. New bumpers were placed on the concrete walls to lessen the impact and damage to bocce balls.

Partnering with Prescott Recreation Services Department, Prescott Bocce Ball Club helped provide the courts at Watson Lake which opened for play on September 27, 2008. The three courts are 72 feet long by 10 feet wide.

With a great view overlooking the south end of the lake, the courts are in close proximity to restrooms, the disc golf course, small picnic ramadas, the Fishing/Lakeshore Trail, and the lakes south courtesy dock and boat launch.

Drawings of bocce ball courts were discovered on the walls of Egyptian tombs and pyramids and is believed to be the oldest game in existence. Today it is the second most popular game in the world (next to soccer).



*(Photo courtesy of Nancy Nesbit)*

**Bocce ball courts under renovation.**

### Brad Ziegler Field - the Project

When the economic downturn hit in 2007, expansion plans for Kuebler Field were delayed. After hearing of the Yarnell Fire tragedy the Diamondbacks Foundation contacted Prescott Little League in the Summer of 2013 and informed them that Prescott had been selected as the preferred location to construct a baseball field as part of their grant program. With Kuebler Field chosen as the logical site, expansion was reinvigorated although in a slightly different direction.

Once all the details and legalities were finalized, including a new Intergovernmental Agreement with Yavapai County, whereby the County agreed to pay for the water for turf irrigation, ground breaking took place on March 19, 2014. The whole project was completed in less than a year.

The donation included all design and engineering, grading, irrigation, fencing, sod, dugouts and bullpens, bleachers, and ballfield lighting, all at a value of over \$400,000.00.

Although this field does not entirely complete the expansion at this complex with multi-use fields forthcoming, the new field sets a new standard for area Little League fields.

*For more detailed information on the Diamondbacks Foundation, entities involved and the process, see our Spring 2014 newsletter, page 9, available online at:*

**[www.cityofprescott.net/services/parks](http://www.cityofprescott.net/services/parks)**

*(Contributor: Eric Smith, Special Projects Administrator)*



*(Photo courtesy of Nancy Nesbit)*

**Brad Ziegler Field, dedication day May 16, 2014.**

## Something New Brad Ziegler Field Dedication

Friday morning, May 16, 2014 the bitter sweet dedication of Brad Ziegler Field took place. The number 19 is located on the center field fence in memory of Prescott's 19 Granite Mountain Hot Shots who lost their lives in the Yarnell Fire on June 30, 2013. Relief pitcher for the Arizona Diamondbacks, Brad Ziegler was looking for a project to sponsor through the Diamondbacks Foundation. Given his interest in our veterans and first responders, sponsoring the little league field in Prescott was a perfect fit.

According to the Diamondbacks, Zeigler joined the team in 2011 and became a key community leader. He heads up his own foundation, Pastime for Patriots, which is a certified 501(c)3 non-profit that supports servicemen and women and their families by offering them opportunities to attend Major League Baseball games, providing educationally-based financial assistance to military children and family-friendly activities for military members and their families.



Brad Ziegler indicated that having his name attached to this field with the number 19 in center field is really special. Derrick Hall indicated that this field was the Diamondbacks effort to help Prescott heal as a community.

With over 100 in attendance, the Diamondback organization sent many representatives including Derrick Hall, President and CEO, as well as D-backs broadcaster Jeff Munn, who emceed the ceremony, and Diamondbacks Foundation President Mike Kennedy. Other dignitaries included Don Brandt, APS Chairman, President and CEO, Arizona State Senator Steve Pierce, Prescott Mayor Marlin Kuykendall, City Councilmen Chris Kuknyo and Steve Blair, and Yavapai County Supervisor Rowle Simmons.

It seems appropriate that the field sits next to Kuebler Field at Pioneer Park since Judge Robert Kuebler, who died in 2001, was a baseball enthusiast and bought season tickets to the Diamondbacks' Triple A predecessors. Kuelber family members also attended.

Brad Ziegler Field is the 34th field dedication for the Diamondbacks Foundation and the first in 2014.

The City of Prescott, Prescott Little League, and partner sports organizations wish to thank the Arizona Diamondbacks Foundation, Inc. and for this generous donation.

*(Contributor Nancy Nesbit)*



*(Top)* Prescott area little leaguers pose for a photo with Brad Ziegler.

*(Above Right)* The scoreboard unveiling.

*(Left)* Michelle Stacy-Schroeder with Recreation Services hosted as a driver for Derrick Hall and Brad Ziegler *(right)*.

*(Right)* Pictured left to right are Derrick Hall, Mayor Marlin Kuykendall, Brad Ziegler, Councilman Chris Kuknyo and Joe Baynes, Director, Prescott Recreation Services Department.

*(Photos courtesy of Nancy Nesbit)*





(Photo Courtesy of Steve Mancha)

AZGFD relocating bass to Upper Goldwater Lake.

## Fishing Report - Fish Prescott

Arizona Game and Fish Department (AZGFD) and Prescott Recreation Services Department are working to enhance the fishing experience for anglers in Prescott. For about a week and a half in April 2014, Recreation Services transferred 16,498,800 gallons of water from Lower Goldwater Lake to Upper Goldwater Lake. The level of Upper Goldwater Lake was raised by three feet.

In May 2014 Arizona Game and Fish Department moved eight bass, averaging four to five pounds, from the lower lake to the upper lake, hoping they will provide spawning for future bass in the lake. Anglers are reminded that the limit for bass at Goldwater Lakes is one per day per angler (minimum size 13 inches.)

AZGFD is also increasing their presence in, and support for, fishing in Prescott. They will have an expanded presence at Prescott's Great Outdoors event at Watson Lake in October 2014. They have also embarked on a "Fish Prescott" campaign, promoting fishing at all the lakes in the Prescott/Prescott Valley area. For more information on "Fish Prescott" visit their webpage at:

[http://www.azgfd.gov/h\\_f/fishPrescott.shtml](http://www.azgfd.gov/h_f/fishPrescott.shtml)

For information on licenses and general information on fishing and hunting visit their main website at: [www.azgfd.com](http://www.azgfd.com)



(Contributor: Nancy Nesbit with information provided by Steven Mancha, Assistant Superintendent-Lakes, and Eric Smith, Special Projects Administrator)

### 2014 Summer Trout Stocking Schedule, weeks of:

	July	August	September
Goldwater Lake:	7	11	1, 8

The trout stocking schedule dates listed represent the Monday of the week the stocking will occur.

These schedules are tentative and subject to change due to weather conditions at the sites.

Consult the Weekly Fishing Report before you go at: [www.azgfd.net/artman/publish/FishingReport/](http://www.azgfd.net/artman/publish/FishingReport/)

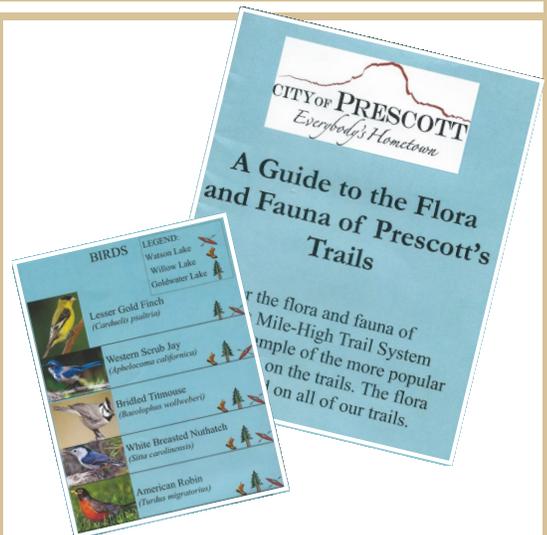


Kalliea Ross  
Intern

## Spotlight On ... Kalliea Ross

Prescott Recreation Services Department has provided internship opportunities for college students majoring in Parks and Recreation. Kalliea Ross was the 2014 intern for the department from January through May. She graduated in May from Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, with a Bachelor's degree in Parks and Recreation with an emphasis in Hospitality.

For her senior internship project she created a flora and fauna guide for the Prescott Mile-High Trail System (inset). Kalliea's education has also included two study abroad trips to Belize studying sustainability and cultural diversity.



A new (free) guide to flora and fauna along Prescott's trails is now available in the trail register boxes. Developed by intern Kalliea Ross, it provides a sampling of the different plants and animals found along the Mile-High Trail System. Donations are needed to assist with future printings when current inventory is depleted.

A native Arizonan from Mesa, her dad is an archaeologist. She grew up camping and doing a variety of outdoor activities. She has a four year old daughter Violet and is also a certified dog groomer. Kalliea has worked as a tour guide doing Hummer tours of the Sonoran Desert, a concierge for the Four Seasons Hotel in Scottsdale, Arizona, and as a lifeguard on the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

Kalliea remarked that her hands on experience working in the Recreation Services Department was quite different than that in the class room, and was surprised at how much is involved. She especially enjoyed working with Prescott's special needs citizens while helping out with the monthly dances held by the Department's SNAP program.

"Spotlight On" periodically features a different Parks and Recreation Department employee.

## Activities - Contract Instructors



Lynn Greiger, Certified Running Coach and Personal Trainer, and Patrice Nissen, Fitness Instructor from the YMCA, in collaboration with Prescott Recreation Services Department are offering a new beginners running club for women. The club's name says it all, this program is designed for women who want to run, but struggle, think they are too slow to run or have not run in a few years.

With over 50 plus years of combined running experience they offer the newcomer information on running safely without injury and want participants to have fun. The club will meet at various locations in Prescott.

- Non-intimidating/Non-judging
- Set modest/realistic goals
- Group Support

For information email:

[backofthepackclub@gmail.com](mailto:backofthepackclub@gmail.com)

or call: Lynn Geiger, 802-688-4511

Patrice Nissen, 928-308-2705

- 3x per week run/walk or run training for the Groom Creek 10K, or half-marathon - social events and fun!

- Cost is \$90 per person

- Requirements: comfortable sneakers and an honest desire to give running a try - we're all in this together!



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## Art Classes With Niki

Drawing classes for adults and youth (accompanied by a parent)

Wednesdays, 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Acrylic for Adults

Wednesdays, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

4 week program

Minimal supplies are required and instructor recommends affordable options

\$40 for 4 classes (per person) not including supplies



Pet portraits by Niki Nicklin

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To Register contact:

Prescott Recreation Services Department  
Grace Sparkes Memorial Activity Center  
824 E. Gurley St., Prescott, AZ 86301  
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# Prescott's Great Outdoors Outdoor Recreation Festival & Expo October 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014

## Ready for something different?

First envisioned in 2011 in an attempt to create an event different from all others, this family-oriented event at Watson Lake Park, highlights the outdoor recreation opportunities, retailers, organizations, resources, and equipment in the Quad-Cities area and beyond. It is both fun and educational, and designed to expose attendees to a whole spectrum of enjoying the great outdoors conducted in partnership with Arizona Game and Fish Department on the Columbus Day holiday weekend, the two-day event features live music, food, organized activities, gear displays, and information booths all in the scenic surroundings of the Granite Dells. The campground is also available for the weekend.

## Already confirmed for 2014!

Live music on the lawn with the talented Mogollon, Groove Merchants (who entertained at AZ Best Fest Centennial Celebration), Ashley Wineland, and Big Daddy D and the Dynamites; the 300-foot fly-wire (zip-line) and climbing wall; many great displays and exhibits by Arizona Game and Fish Department, to include creatures from the Adobe Mtn. Wildlife Rehabilitation Center; food vendors plus many organization and business booths; an expanded two-day fishing component; Prescott Astronomy Club and telescopes for Saturday evening's night-sky program; Adventure Recreation by Tierra Wild; an expanded Expo with the latest in watercraft, ATVs, bikes camping gear, and much more; and canoe and kayak rentals, camping, boating, disc golf, and a few surprises.

Sponsorship opportunities are available for organizations and businesses seeking greater exposure. For more information, and sponsorship, booths and volunteer opportunities please contact Eric Smith, [eric.smith@prescott-az.gov](mailto:eric.smith@prescott-az.gov) or Kelly Tolbert, [kelly.tolbert@prescott-az.gov](mailto:kelly.tolbert@prescott-az.gov), Recreation Services Department, 928-777-1122.



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