

High Desert Pod News Letter



The Arizona State Men's & Women's Open Championship

11th Annual Paul's Pub Chili Cook-off

High Desert Pod hosted the Arizona State Men's & Women's Open Championship at the 11th Annual Paul's Pub Chili Cook-off on April 30th, 2011. Greg Monger, with the help of the whole pod, The Kiwanis, Just for Kids Foundation and pub owner, Jim Kuriger, put on a great cook-off! Besides both chili championships participants competed in salsa, ribs and Spam.

Friday night High Desert Pod served hamburgers and hot dogs with sides provided by cooks and beer provided by Jim Kuriger. The cooks ate, socialized and enjoyed each other's company into the evening. Bright and early Saturday morning cooks began set up and sign in. The first judging began at 10am for salsa and judging continued every hour until 3pm.

Winners were announced in the late afternoon with everyone ready after a long day in the sun with a steady breeze. Congratulations to Roy Fisher, 2011 Men's State Champion & Denise Cabello, 2011 Women's State Champion!!!

Arizona State Women's Open Championship Winners

- 1st- Denise Cabello of Tucson, AZ (**Qualified for Terlingua**)
- 2nd – Kathy Tomlin of Sierra Vista, AZ (**Qualified for Terlingua**)
- 3rd – Sandy Garner of Mesa, AZ (**Qualified for Terlingua**)
- 4th – Patti Kunstman of Sierra Vista, AZ
- 5th – Trina Cabello of Marana, AZ
- 6th – Linda Johnson of Casa Grande, AZ
- 7th – Penny Dunn of Sierra Vista, AZ
- 8th – Genee Jolliffe of Tucson, AZ
- 9th – Nancy Klug of Gold Canyon, AZ
- 10th – Kim Dunn of Sierra Vista, AZ

Arizona State Men's Open Championship Winners

- 1st- Roy Fisher of Sierra Vista, AZ (**Qualified for Terlingua**)
- 2nd – Tom Klug of Gold Canyon, AZ (**Qualified for Terlingua**)
- 3rd – Dimas Cabello of Tucson, AZ (**Qualified for Terlingua**)
- 4th – Jim Tomlin of Sierra Vista, AZ
- 5th – Mack Borker of Sierra Vista, AZ
- 6th – Sonny Rivera of Marana, AZ
- 7th – Jay McCleery of Peoria, AZ
- 8th – Dave Garner of Mesa, AZ
- 9th – Tom Edwards of Sierra Vista, AZ
- 10th – Myrl Coultas of Tucson, AZ

Men's Show

- 1st – Ted Fichtl – Kokopili Chili
- 2nd – Travis Tonzi – Cowboy Chili
- 3rd – Leo Lemelson – Chili Bear

Women's Show

- 1st – Sunny Fichtl – Kokopili Too
- 2nd – Linda Johnson – Big Bang Chili
- 3rd – Denise Cabello – Hot Mama

Salsa Winners

- 1st – Myrl Coultas of Tucson
- 2nd – Nancy Coultas of Tucson
- 3rd – Penny Dunn of Sierra Vista

Ribs Winners

- 1st – Penny Dunn of Sierra Vista
- 2nd – Larry Rau of Hereford
- 3rd – Sunny Fichtl of Sierra Vista

Spam Winners

- 1st – Patti Kunstman of Sierra Vista
- 2nd – Tom Edwards of Sierra Vista
- 3rd – Sunny Fichtl of Sierra Vista
- 4th – Steve Sigler of Apache Junction
- 5th – Kim Dunn of Sierra Vista



Denise Cabello – 2011 Arizona Women’s State Champion!!!



Roy Fisher – 2011 Arizona State Men’s Champion!!





Dimas Cabello 3rd place Men's chili, Denise Cabello 1st place Women's chili, Kat Tomlin 2nd place Women's chili, Sandy Garner 3rd place Women's chili, Sunny Fichtl 1st place Women's show (Back Row) Roy Fisher 1st place Men's chili, Tom Klug 2nd place Men's chili and Ted Fichtl 1st place Men's show.



Leo Lemelson, Jim & Kat Tomlin enjoying victory!



Line dancing for the Kokopili Too show....looks like fun!



Jim Kuriger, our host from Paul's Pub

Chuck Dugan's Memorial – We miss you Chuck!!!



The Just for Kids & Kiwanis getting trophies ready!

24th Nick's Place St. Patrick's Day Cook-off Winner's

- 1st - Denise Cabello of Tucson, AZ
- 2nd - Myrl Coultas of Tucson, AZ
- 3rd - Tobie Brown of Sierra Vista, AZ 85635
- 4th - Susan Weber of Livingston, TX
- 5th - Nancy Coultas of Tucson, AZ
- 6th - Carson Smith of Tucson, AZ
- 7th - Roy Fisher of Tucson, AZ
- 8th - Lynette Land of Sierra Vista, AZ
- 9th - Dimas Cabello of Tucson, AZ
- 10th - Tom Edwards of Sierra Vista, AZ

Show Winners

- 1st - Que Chili - Penny Dunn of Sierra Vista, AZ
- 2nd - Voodoo Chili - Carson Smith of Tucson, AZ
- 3rd - Professor Meager - Greg Monger of Sierra Vista, AZ



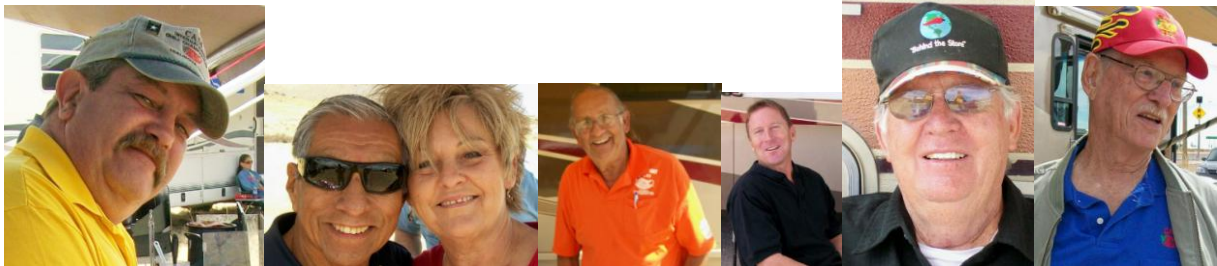


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Trudy Berry, Ron Phillips and Jessie, owner of Nick's Place bar handing out trophies.



Nick's Place winners!!!



Faces from Nick's Cook-off

In Memory of
Benjamin (Ben) Berry
December 12, 1943 to April 4, 2011
You will truly be missed!!!











May 23rd, 2011 pod meeting at the Elk's Lodge at 6:30 pm, Please Come!!!

Visit our website at www.highdesertpod.org

Thank you Gail for the photos! More photos can be viewed on our website!

Up comings

May 29th - Tombstone - Wyatt Earp Days CCO

June 4th - YCS Pod in the Park, Cornville, AZ

July 4th - 19th July 4th Celebration, Sierra Vista, AZ

July 16th - 13th Chili Cook in the Pines, Pinetop, AZ

August 6th - Tombstone Vigilante Days CO

