

**Wildlife Techniques Workshop**  
**Hosted by The Arizona Chapter of The Wildlife Society**  
**sponsored by the Arizona Game and Fish Department**  
**April 25, 2015**

The Arizona Chapter of The Wildlife Society is excited to offer the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Wildlife Techniques Workshop which will be held April 25, 2015 at Horseshoe Ranch. We have developed a wide variety of classes that will offer you a great opportunity to learn from professionals in the field on techniques that are commonly used in the field. We encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity and enhance your skills which will make you better prepared for a career working with wildlife. We look forward to seeing you at the ranch and please read the details below so you are prepared for the event.

Where: Horseshoe Ranch

I-17 Exit 259 (Bloody Basin Road) and go east about 5 miles. This exit is approximately 1/2 hour north of Phoenix, north of the Sunset Point Rest Area and south of Cordes Junction. You will drive approximately 15 minutes to the entrance for Horseshoe Ranch. Please follow the driveway to the ranch house where you will find designated parking areas. Entrance to the ranch includes a low-water crossing of the Agua Fria River which should present no problem for pretty much any vehicle.

When: Regular classes will be 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM. Please arrive at 7:15 AM to check-in, receive your group assignment, and listen to introductions. **CLASSES WILL BEGIN PROMPTLY AT 8:00 AM!!!** There are four classes that are not part of the regular class schedule and are optional: The Rocket Net demonstration will only be on Saturday night at 4:40 PM, Small Mammal Trapping and Herpetofauna+ Trapping and Handling demonstration will be at 5:30 PM, Bat Mist Netting will begin at 7:00 PM Saturday night, Geocaching will begin at 6:30 AM Sunday morning, and Small Mammal Trapping and Herpetofauna+ Trapping and Handling will begin at 7:00 AM. Participants are able to arrive at the ranch anytime after 1:00 PM Friday afternoon and are allowed to stay the entire weekend if you would like.

Who: There are 60 participants separated into 4 classes of 15 participants. All are welcome to participate in the rocket nets, geocaching, and bat mist netting regardless of which day you are signed up. You are also welcome to participate in the small mammal and herpetofauna trapping and handling but you will have to choose which to attend and will not be able to attend both.

What you need to bring: The ranch will have port-o-potties available for your use. There is no potable water so plan to bring a sufficient supply of water for drinking and cooking. You will need to bring food and snacks for yourself for the time you will be staying at the ranch. If you need to cook, please bring a camp stove and fuel. Please remember a chair to hang out in during lunch and dinner. Please be prepared for all types of weather. Bring lots of layers of clothing, sunscreen, and a hat. Also please be prepared to pack out your own trash as the facilities are limited on the ranch.

Suggested items to bring:

Food/Snacks	Sleeping Bag	Notebook	Chair	Warm Clothing
Water	Sleeping Pad	Pen/Pencil	Camera	Head Lamp/Flashlight
Cook Stove	Tent	Sunscreen	Eating Utensils	Flashlight
Fuel	Pillow	Hat		

Agenda:

Friday April 24th	
PM	Instructors set up stations.
1:00 PM	Saturday Students Arrive

Saturday April 25th	Animal Tracking & Remote Cameras	CODA Net Gun/Vegetation Sampling	Mobile Device Applications	Capture Techniques	Telemetry
Instructors	Brit Oleson	CODA Net Guns, Paul Sitzmann	Dean Pokrajak	Dustin Darveau, Chris Carillo	Scott Sprague, Bill Burger
7:30 - 7:50 AM	Introductions and group assignments				
8:00 - 9:20 AM	student group 1	student group 2	student group 3	student group 4	BREAK
9:30-10:50 AM	BREAK	student group 1	student group 2	student group 3	student group 4
11:00 - 12:20 PM	student group 4	BREAK	student group 1	student group 2	student group 3
12:20 - 1:30 PM	LUNCH				
1:30 - 2:50 PM	student group 3	student group 4	BREAK	student group 1	student group 2
3:00 - 4:20 PM	student group 2	student group 3	student group 4	BREAK	student group 1
4:40 - 5:15 PM	Rocket Net Gun				
5:30 - 6:30 PM	Herpetofauna Trapping and Handling, Small Mammal Trapping				
5:30 - 7:00 PM	DINNER				
7:00 - 10:00 PM	Bat Mist Netting				

Sunday April 26th					
6:30 – 7:30 AM	Geocaching				
7:00 - 8:00 AM	Herpetofauna Trapping and Handling				
7:00 – 8:00 AM	Small Mammal Trapping				