

2009 JUNIOR ELK HUNT CAMP UNIT 6A

This years youth hunt camp will be in Hunt Unit 6A. The event will take place Oct. 15th – 19th.

WHEN: OCTOBER 15, 16, 17, 18th.

WHERE: HAPPY JACK LODGE AND RV PARK, at the Ramada just past the lodge and restaurant, next to the baseball field.

DIRECTIONS: From PHX. Take I17 north to Hwy 260 (at Camp Verde) Go East 36 miles to Hwy 87 turn North (left) 11 miles to Lake Mary Road, just past Clint's Well (FH-3), turn left go 2 miles to Happy Jack Lodge on left.

CAMPING: The Happy Jack RV park is next to the ramada. Spaces with full hookup are \$30 a day. Call 1-800-430-0385. They have tent camping also for \$12 per day.

There is National Forest camping all around near the Lodge.

The Arizona Elk Society will be using the Ramada and BBQ set-up at the Happy Jack Lodge and RV Park.

The AES will provide hamburgers and hot dogs on Thursday evening to youth hunters and their parents. Hunters and their family are welcome to stop by at noon each day for lunch and refreshments. We will be in camp available throughout the weekend, you can ask for help locating, or retrieving downed elk. There will be an archery range setup for the kids to learn about bow hunting and practice shooting the bows.

Please remember that time is of the essence when retrieving downed animals. The quicker you get the hide off and the meat to the processor the better your meat will be and the more meat you will save.

The AES will be holding a seminar for youth hunters and their parents on Thursday evening at the Ramada at 6-6:30pm after the meals. Representatives from the AZG&F as well as the Coconino Forest Service will be on hand. Arizona Game & Fish officers will give a presentation on hunting safety. A representative from Four Peaks Processing will also give a short seminar on meat care and preparation. Local guides will talk about locating elk and answer questions. The Arizona Elk Society with sponsorship from Arizona Game & Fish, 4 Peaks Processing, Sportsman's

Warehouse, Bass Pro Shops, Cabela's and Primos will have door prizes and give-a-ways for the youth hunters participating in the seminars.

SEMINAR:

- **Safety while in the field hunting. Wearing of orange is recommended**
- **ATV or OHV rules and regulations and safety issues**
- **Information from the AZG&F and USFS about hunting rules and regulations**
- **Proper meat care, gutting and skinning techniques**
- **Locating elk in the field, proper use of elk calls**

Four Peaks Game Processing will have Storage trailers and skinning racks at Happy Jack Lodge trailer storage on the East side of the Hwy. For processing questions please call John or Jennifer at (602) 375-1646.

**Contact Steve Clark if you have any questions.
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