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Summer Time Fun

It was almost June and the days were running a good 75 degrees. Then all the sudden at the end of may comes the clouds then some snow. Yes, I said snow, at the end of may. And with the snow came the strategic attempts to save the gardens and cover everything that could freeze. I think our attempt at the garden was successful. The tomatoes are still alive st least.

And now back to sunshine. Although there is a bit of wind, it doesn't discourage our weekend Bar B Q's up at the ranch. And if you read our last issue "Recipe of the Month", and actually tried making the Cattle Drive Cornbread, you would know what we have every Cookout. As may ends and June comes forth, again this final weekend we are cooking and hanging out up at the ranch. The kids ride horses, us adults just sit around and tell lies about the old days. All about just hanging out with family and enjoying time.

Our cookouts are just about every weekend. If you are up in the mountains or live up here and have nothing to do, give us a shout or check our website, I will be posting what we'll be doing. You better bring your appetite and best cowboy or hunting story, because with all the bull shoveled up here you'll need some good ones.

C.W.

Special points of interest:

- Trapper Days
- Camping Fun
- Get ready
- Classical War Leo

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National Day of the Cowboy.....

Now that the weather is getting at it's best, Watson Cattle Company is going to try and get some events together. Thanks to J88 Arena, a roping will be held in July for the National Day of the Cowboy. Which has passed another year in the house to be recognized as a national holiday. Also, throughout the summer, we are hoping to get some trail rides scheduled as well.

All these events are fundraisers for the "National Day of the Cowboy". Why are we involved with this holiday you may ask? Well, we at Watson Cattle Company believe that all the cowboys and Cowgirls in this country should be recognized for what they have contributed towards building America. And getting the word out about this National Holiday is what we are trying to accomplish.



So if you are ready to do some riding, roping or maybe in the future some barrel racing, keep in touch with what we have going on. Either give us a shout or check our website periodically and see what's going on. If you want to get involved, contact us and we will get you going on some events. Hope to hear from you soon!!

C.W.

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Trapper Days

It started with biscuits and gravy donated by Arby's early Saturday morning. A trail ride about to be in progress just west of Taylor. With a little guitar from Gary and some harmonica Jim Ballard, the mood was set. After some music and some food the riders saddled up and took about a 2 hour ride.

To continue the day, at the Taylor Arena, a Pit Bull show. And watching a 80 pound dog pull 5000 pounds is truly a site you can't refuse. After the dog bull, a pit bull judging event. Owners showing off there prized possessions to win points and prizes.

Old tractors also showed for a vintage tractor parade. Owners also showing of their pride and joy. You had a chance to look at these beauties up close. You also had the opportunity to ask the owners some questions. A site they were lined up on the arena fence.

And if you didn't have a papered dog or vintage piece of equipment, you could enter your mutt dog in the Mutt Show Contest, where a 3 year old judge made the final decisions on which dog took home the ribbons. And when it was all done, a barrel racing event to finish off the day. A truly fun day for the whole family to enjoy. This will be our 4th year attending and a 5th year will be in the future!! C.W.



Classical War Leo

Classical War Leo is a paint stallion we purchased a few years back. We did a little breeding a few years ago but due to moving North and trying to make a living, we slacked a bit on keeping up with the breeding seasons.

Well this year we are getting him back to work. We have bred a few of our own mares and now are offering back to the public to get some color out in the equestrian world. And if you have ever seen him you will know he is just that, full of color. Probably a true Quarter Horse style of animal, he isn't 16 hands high or way 1200 pounds, but his temperament is that of a gelding and a gentle breeder.

If ya have a mare out there and wanna try to get some color out of her, bring her up and let Leo do his job. I am definitely hoping to get some color out of my mares. And if you don't get the color you want just bring that Colt or Philly back and we will breed her up again. I guess that's our color guarantee we can offer to all those who wanna breed for color.

C.W.

When times are tough and reality is hard, saddle up and take a ride!!

C.W.

Maverick Magazine

Ever so often we get a little chance at being know. And in the June addition of "The Maverick" we get our little bit of spotlight action. Amy from the magazine "The Maverick" came to visit us on our ranch a few weekends back to see what was up with the ranch life and what effect it's had on our family.

Everyone had all the right answers, well, until she pulled out the recorder. Then the silence began. She asked us if any of us thought we was cowboys and no one said yes. I guess when you think of a cowboy you think of someone who ate dirt and beans out on the range, not no one that roped in an arena.

So the questions flew, the recorder rolled and I think maybe if she would of pulled out a branding iron we may of started talking. But she got to hang out and see what freeze branding was about. And she got to watch a roping without the arena. And when you add rocks and cedars, the roping experience becomes a whole new event.

C.W.



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Elk Report

This year we tried our luck at the depredation hunt over near Holbrook. Not a big effort on our part, yet we did a little road driving and killed a few coyotes. Tracked some Elk here and there then called it a day.

Our luck at Elk meat though came to us by road form. A nice cow Elk hit on the 60 outside of town. A friend of ours gave us a call one morning asking if we wanted some meat and of course we jumped on the offer. After waiting a bit the Game and Fish officer showed up and wrote us out a salvage tag and off we went. We loaded her up and headed home to get her hung.

There was some bad news to all this. When we gutted her she was close to having her a calf. Unfortunately we couldn't save the calf due to time limits and not being able to gut her in the city limits. Regardless of that situation we continued to dress her out and what a cow she was. No damage from being struck from a vehicle left us with a nice amount of clean meat. So after hanging her to bleed for a few days we spent the next 2 days after work butchering her out. And for the offer our friend had him a steak to beat all, it had to be a square foot of meat and I thing he started on it but his wife finished it off. Being a bit pregnant and all her appetite is quite the sight to watch!!



Coming up camping trips

.For Fathers Day Outlaw Customs. Watson Cattle Company and Mountain Pass Builders, Inc. are headed to Apache Lake for some summer time boating adventure fun. We plan on having 4 boats there. Whether not we have them all up and running by that time may be questionable. Either way we are headed down to enjoy some lake partying.

We are shooting for Upper Burnt Corral Cove. Although it will be a holiday weekend so getting a good spot will be tough. I am sure we can squeeze in somewhere though. We will try and throw some signs out this time for those who come in late. Last year we had tons of fun running the new Sanger we got together. The Tahiti is up and running once again. The Cheyenne is in the works with a fresh 327. The 24' Cabin Cruiser is about to be in the works and this year we have a new one to run. Another V-Drive of course.

So if you wanna join us for fathers day at Apache Lake give us a over at the office at 928-367-5662 or email us at info@mountainpassbuilders.com or info@watsoncattlecompany.com

If you find yourself in a bad spot, just smile softly while you reach for your pistols!

C.W.

Better Grab it up

I am sure you noticed that the price of EVERYTHING has went up more then we want. That definitely includes oil prices. From what I hear China is keeping all the rice now. And even honey is about to go up. Wheat is already higher then it needs to be, and the price of milk....very questionable.

Now most all of what I write is just my opinion, and you can take it to heart or just skim over and ignore it, but do yourself the favor of stocking up on EVERYTHING. Canned goods, honey, dry milk, wheat, rice, beans and anything and everything else you can get your hands on. It will do you great good in the future. And keep your emergency supply up.

I have a feeling that prices will sky rocket to extreme cost for food in the next few years. So learn your-self now to grow a little garden and try some canning. It will give you and your family something to do as well as save your life someday!!

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"Range Stories"

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"If you think you can ride, Saddle Up!"

If you have something you want to put in this newsletter then let us know. You can e-mail it to info@watsoncattlecompany.com or mail it to 518 W. White Mountain Blvd., Lakeside, AZ 85929. I am going to try and get these out once a month. Don't know how successful I will be

with it, but with your help it may be possible. So no matter what you have to print get er' to us. Recipes, stories, announcements. Let us



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"Recipe of the month"

Mexican Cowboy Stew

- 4 tablespoons shortening or bacon grease
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1 1/2 pounds cubed beef
- 1 small can stewed tomatoes
- 2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
- 2 tablespoons hot chili sauce
- 4 tablespoons molasses
- 2 small cans mushrooms
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper



Pour bacon grease into large skillet. Add onions and meat and then brown. Add remaining ingredients and cook for 1 1/2 hours over low heat.

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Spring Time Special

Classical War Leo

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