

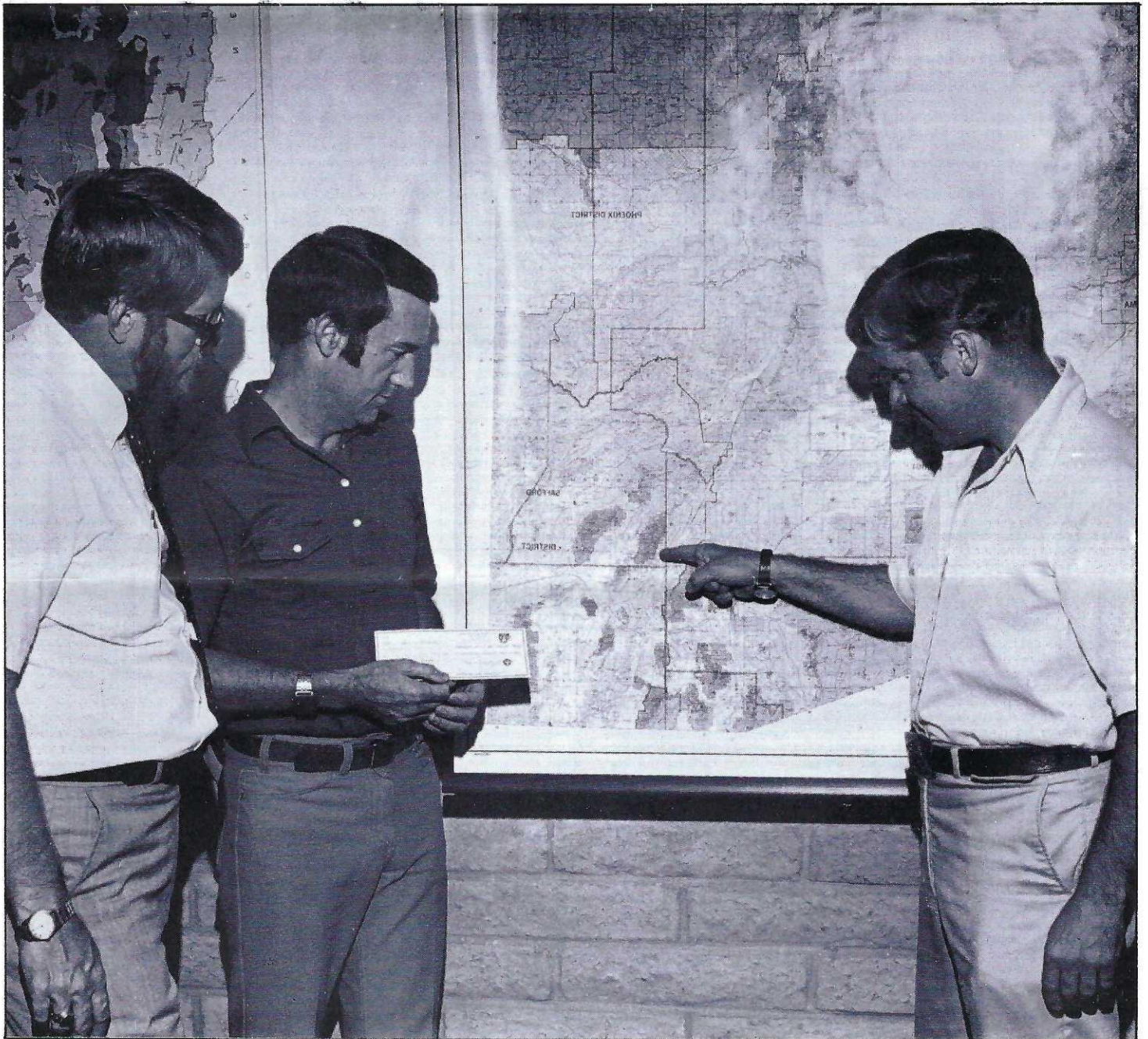
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# Annual Membership Meeting

On September 21st the Sheep Society held its yearly membership meeting at the Camelhead Granada Royale on 44th Street and McDowell.

The evening's agenda included the election of new officers for the coming year. Also, a proposal to amend the bylaws to include three new membership categories was voted on and passed. The new categories are Youth Member, Regular Member, Sustaining Member and Life Member.

The highlight of the evening was our guest speaker from the Pinetop office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department, Jack O'Neil. Jack gave an exceptional presentation on the Rocky Mountain sheep inhabiting the eastern portion of the state, along with many slides illustrating the terrain the sheep reside in. Jack and his wife Mary deserve a healthy thank you for coming to Phoenix and being our guests.

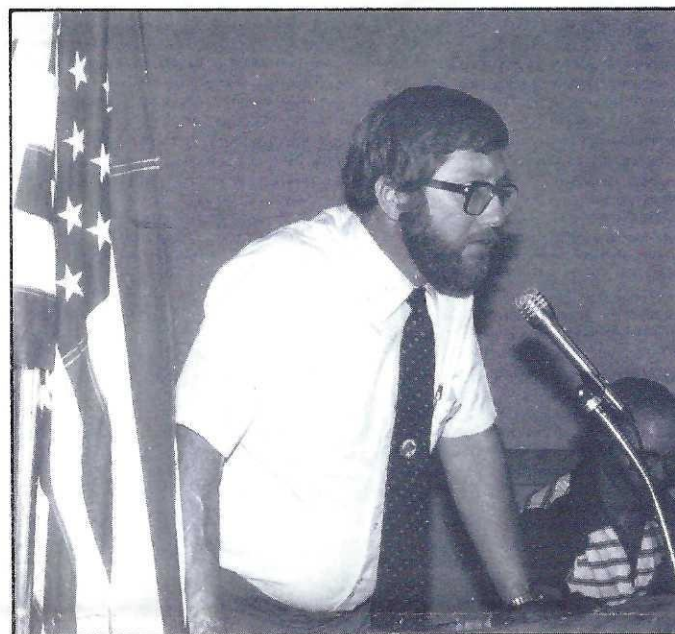
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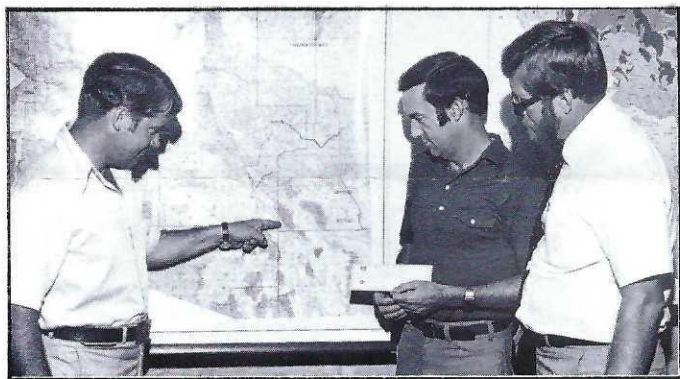
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Jack O'Neil talks about Rocky Mountain Bighorns.



Don Johnson reviews this year's activities.



## Cover Picture

The Society recently presented the Arizona Game and Fish Department with a check for \$28,140.00 to cover the costs of the Redfield Transplant and a portion of the Pusch Ridge collaring and survey project. Tom Boggess points to the Redfield Canyon area in the Galiuro Mountains as Department Director Bud Bristow holds the Society's check. Looking on is Don Johnson of the Society. This presentation was made possible by the generous donations of over two hundred Society members. We thank you for your support.

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# Mohawk Waterhole Project

On February 20 and 21 Society members found themselves in the Mohawk Mountains near Tacna, Arizona. We developed two water sources in an area where previously there had been no permanent water. The Mohawk Mountains are utilized by sheep when there is sufficient water and food and as a migratory route. With these permanent water sources they will now support a herd of sheep. Talk about habitat development!

Saturday morning the Society was divided into two work parties. As usual the Game and Fish Department had all the materials flown in by helicopter. The lower pothole is named Dominy Tank after charter member Wade Dominy. It is a typical pothole and dam construction. We removed a small amount of gravel and rocks from the pothole and sealed it. A dam three and a half feet high and nine feet long was constructed. Dominy Tank will hold approximately 900 gallons when filled. The location of the pothole is such that the surrounding mountains protect it from the direct sun so evaporation will not be a concern. With the amount of usage it will hold water year round. It was felt a diversion dam was not necessary as the water flow will flush the tank clean.

The upper development, named Mohawk Mountain catchment, was an interesting project. Neither the Game and

Fish Department or the Sheep Society has constructed anything like it before. However, with expert guidance from Don Balknap and help from the Department's Development and Maintenance work crew all went well. The development consisted of a small dam to stop the flow of water and a filter and pipe system that transported the water to fiberglass tanks. The two fiberglass tanks act as the storage tanks and from there the water flows into a small drinking tank containing a float valve. A shade was constructed over the storage and drinking tanks to reduce evaporation. The total capacity is 4000 gallons and will provide another permanent water source. This was a major project and we were unable to complete it by Sunday afternoon. The Department's work crew stayed behind and completed the project.

Many thanks to all members, friends and the Department's crew for helping on such an important project. Also Tim Blank and Alex Holgin, our cooks, did it again — thanks alot for another fine meal.

**WATERHOLE UPDATE:** Richard Remington has informed the Society that Dominy Tank has filled, went dry, filled again and now is half full. Apparently there is a leak. We will correct that this spring. Mohawk Mountain catchment has not filled as yet, a result of no major runoff.



Southern Arizona Sheep going to water.

# Redfield Canyon

The Redfield Canyon transplant is progressing well. Recent field investigations have documented that several of the sheep that were released have had lambs. All of the sheep that were released appear to be in excellent physical condition. One of the major use areas is in and around the junction of Swamp and Redfield Canyons. One of the exciting aspects of this release is that sheep from the Muleshoe enclosure have joined with sheep at Redfield. This will probably enhance expansion of sheep use into the areas between the two release sites.

The Pusch Ridge project is also progressing well. To date we have radio-collared a total of 10 sheep in this study area. The data that we have collected are providing valuable insight into management practices that will benefit this herd. We have also completed preliminary testing on a method to estimate sheep populations that appears very promising for being able to very accurately estimate numbers of sheep in a

particular mountain range. This method was developed using Pusch Ridge data.

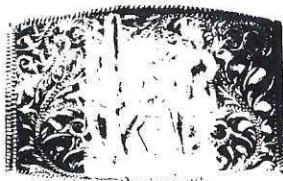
The \$2,500.00 committed by the Society for this project was expended during the capture of the sheep. As a result of this funding we are able to fly nine hours and capture six sheep.

I would like to express the sincere appreciation that the Department has for the continued support that you and your organization have shown for the sheep management program in this state. It must be pointed out that without your financial support for these two projects, they would not have taken place this year.

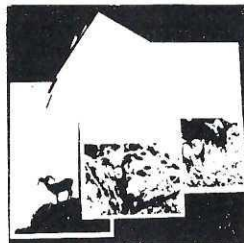
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Bud Bristow, Director

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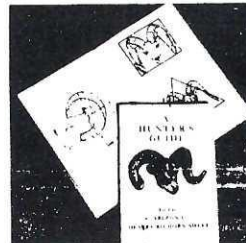
## The Following Items Are Offered For Sale In Consideration Of Minimum Donations As Specified:



A limited edition, individually numbered, hand finished bronze logo on silver. 3 1/2" x 1 1/2".



Note cards and envelopes reflecting a variety of super sheep pictures.



Guide — A collection of facts and articles by knowledgeable sheep hunters.



T-Shirts in Blue, Tan with Society Emblem. (S, M, L or XL)



Lightweight Outdoor Caps. Blue & White, Yellow & White



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CAPS: Specify color and size.

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# Society Members Visit Lazarus Again

As reported in the last Ram's Horn (June/July) the Game and Fish Department, BLM and Society members used water tankers and fire fighting equipment to put 5,000 gallons of water into lower Lazarus Tank. It was hoped this would carry over until the summer rains arrived. Well, the summer rains came but not in the Lazarus drainage. With Lazarus almost dry we could wait no longer. So we set out to do it all over again. This time we had all the problems worked out and we were able to pump over 12,000 gallons into Lazarus in less time than it took to pump 5,000 gallons the first time.

The Society wishes to thank the Game and Fish Department, the BLM and the members who turned out for this project.

# ADBSS Library

Yes, we do have a library and the material is for our enjoyment. We are missing several books and any help in locating them would be appreciated as we are in the process of organizing and cataloging all the books and publications. Please call Louie Coor, 265-9121, if you have a book.

Also, think about donating some books to the Society. Most of us read a book once or twice and never open it again, and other people may enjoy them. We have the need for all types of hunting publications so if you want to help the Society with our library please call Louie Coor and make arrangements. A tax deductible receipt will be provided to acknowledge your contribution.

When the library is organized we will publish a complete list in the Ram's Horn.



Here's the next item to be used for Fund raising — more will be written on this in the future, but for now save a few of those pesos for some Raffle Tickets!

# Speaker's Bureau

Several of the Society's members have given presentations to sportmen's and civic groups about our goals and activities. If you would like to have a slide/talk presentation at your organization's meeting call our administrative office at 274-9069. We also have a fourteen minute videotape of the Redfield Canyon transplant available. Call the office to make arrangements.



## 1983 Waterhole Projects

Mark your calendars now to reserve the following weekends for the 1983 waterhole projects:

**January 14-16**

Coppers and Mohawks

**February 4-6**

Little Horns

(With Foundation for North American Wild Sheep)

**February 25-27**

Kofa

**March 18-20**

Gilas

**April 8-10**

undecided

**May 13-15**

Kofa

### MEMBERSHIP INVITATION

*Individuals who are interested in promoting the welfare of the Desert Bighorn Sheep and desire to affiliate with an organization dedicated to this purpose may do so by joining the Arizona Bighorn Sheep Society, Inc.*

*The membership roster of the Society includes conservationists, sportsmen, professional wildlife managers, educators, biologists, photographers and just plain folks all interested in the Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep.*

*The Society undertakes an annual program of several (usually 5) major habitat improvement construction projects in cooperation with and under the direction of the State and Federal agencies responsible for management of the Desert Bighorn Sheep.*

*One of the more important projects of the Society is the conduction of the annual Sheep Clinic training program.*

*In addition to projects, members of the Society participate in other conservation and game management activities; a special legislative committee of the Society closely watches legislation that may affect the sheep or its habitat and general welfare.*

*While the opportunities for active participation are numerous, such participation is not a prerequisite for membership. All interested persons are encouraged to join, the Society needs and welcomes your moral and financial support.*

### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

I hereby make application for membership in the Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society, Inc., and enclose my membership donation. DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

Annual Minimum Donation Is \$25.00

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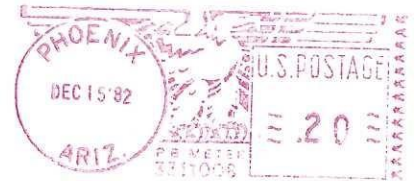
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