



# September 2024 NEWSLETTER

## Arizona Tumbleweed 2024 Muster Schedule:

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Oct 13<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> Double Adobe Camp-  
ground & Shotgun Sports  
McNeal, AZ  
Nov 14<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> Still working on  
December 9<sup>th</sup> **HOLD THE DATE**  
Holiday Luncheon at local  
restaurant

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### Words from our President,

#### Rich Caruso

Dear S\*M\*A\*R\*T Arizona Tumbleweeds  
Members:

Holly and I hope that all of you had a great summer with friends and family. I want you to know that 5 of your Tumbleweeds Chapter members went to the Y'all Come Muster in Breaux Bridge, Louisiana. Holly and I met up with Julio Nieves at Davis Monthan AFB in Tucson. From there we followed Julio to El Paso TX to meet and have dinner with his wonderful family. Then we continued on our destination, spending three more nights in TX. In Louisiana, those SMART Cajuns welcomed us with open arms and already there we two more of our chapter members present, Joe Padberg and Diane Pepperell.

As fall is fast approaching, I wanted to let you know that our chapter would not be having a September muster. Some of our members traveled to the National Muster in South Carolina.

So, for fall, we have 10 sites reserved for us at the **Double Adobe Campground and Shotgun Sports**, 5057 W. Double Adobe Rd. McNeal, AZ on Oct.13-18. The cost for this is \$43.00 per night for FHU. If you have Passport America, it is good for 2 nights only at \$27.50 per night. A 25.00 non-refundable deposit will be taken when you make your reservation 520-364-4000.

This is a 5 night muster, based on our survey a lot of you said that you wanted to stay longer if you had to drive further. Of course you don't have to stay all 5 nights, that is totally up to you. But it would be great if you came for the first three nights if you can.

So with that, I hope everyone had a great summer traveling down the roads.

Safe travels, everyone.  
Rich Caruso – President

**SIGN UP FOR ALL NATIONAL and Chapter MUSTERS ON THE SMART WEBSITE [smartrving.org](http://smartrving.org)**

**Welcome to our newest Tumbleweed Chapter Members:**

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Nov 6-15, 2024

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Feb 8 – 17, 2025



