## Prescott Creekside E-News June 2020

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Hello Friend,

We're pleased to present to you this June edition of the Prescott Creekside E-News. Despite these troubling times, Prescott Creeks is focused on its mission to achieve healthy watersheds and clean waters in central Arizona. Connection with, stewardship of, and appreciation for our creeks are essential components of Prescott Creeks' work. May and June are interesting and busy seasons here. Rising temperatures usually result in decreased flow in the waterways and blooming flowers continue the lifecycle of native vegetation. While not a native species, we noticed the blanket flower shown below close to the Preserve entrance. You'll see them on the side of Hwy 89 north of Prescott between the Granite Creek bridge and Watson Lake.



### **Virtual Granite Creek Cleanup Wrap-Up**

Thank you! The Virtual Granite Creek Cleanup was an online campaign in May to connect people making a difference with creeks. The Virtual Cleanup kicked off in alignment with Giving Tuesday Now on May 5. It was a leap of faith and a first for Prescott Creeks to hold a Cleanup in this manner. Since so many of our community members were already out on the trails and waterways, through the Virtual event, we urged them to help. Many responded with what they saw and what items they picked up. We even had people from other states participate! Ten participants won prizes — like Jeremy Oxley (below with Executive Director Michael Byrd) who won the Tote-Bag prize package including a muq, logo cap, and t-shirt.



# STAGE II FIRE RESTRICTIONS

Effective June 3rd, 2020 at 8 a.m. until rescinded, the Central AZ Fire and Medical Authority and Prescott Fire Department Jurisdictions have implemented Stage II Fire Restrictions. Please adhere to restrictions and protect wildlife and plants in Prescott. Keep our community safe from wildfire.

Additional information available at the <u>Prescott Creeks website</u>

## We're NOW on Instagram!



Prescott Creeks began its social media presence with Facebook back in 2010. We quickly added Twitter and more recently included Youtube as a way for you to connect with Prescott Creeks. Now, we are pleased to announce Prescott Creeks is now on Instagram! If Instagram is your platform of choice join us in exploring our local creeks through photos. Your comments are welcome!



Participants said it felt great to be useful during the Pandemic, and how grounding and calming it was to engage with the waterways. As a result of the campaign awareness of Prescott Creeks has peaked, and many followers interacted on <a href="mailto:social">social</a> media. Check out the full list of winners at the <a href="Prescott Creeks">Prescott Creeks</a> website and view images on <a href="mailto:social media">social media</a> by searching using <a href="#wVirtualGraniteCreekCleanup">#VirtualGraniteCreekCleanup</a> and <a href="#prescottCreeks">#PrescottCreeks</a>.

Our local creeks got the attention they deserved, despite the COVID-19 disruptions. Thank you!

Save the Date for the rescheduled event:

Granite Creek Cleanup September 19th, 2020 | 9 AM – Noon Granite Creek Park



Prescott Creeks is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with a mission to achieve healthy watersheds and clean waters in central Arizona for the benefit of people and wildlife through protection, restoration, education, and advocacy.

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