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Friends in the deer business

Boyhood buddies become keepers of giant buck

By Thomas Phillips
LONE STAR OUTDOOR NEWS

Jeff Dean and Brad Sullivan grew up together and never grew apart. They met when they were 6 and lived next door to each other in Winnsboro, La. Both had older brothers, who were also the same age.

"No matter what season it was, that was what sport we played," Dean said. "And it was always big brothers against little brothers."

The little brothers' competitive drive eventually caught up to the older brothers' dominance. But even though the younger Dean and Sullivan children started winning, their drive for supremacy didn't stop.

Today, they co-own one of the biggest white-tailed deer in Texas: Maxbo 727, a giant of a buck. His antlers scored about 265 as a yearling. This year, Dean estimates the 2-year-old to be 330.

"Brad's competitive nature is wanting to be the best at whatever he puts himself into," Dean said.

After college, Sullivan moved to Dallas and found a job. When he moved out of a cousin's home and into an apartment, he told Dean to move in.

Sullivan, the type-A personality of the pair, later started a successful mortgage company. He hired Dean,

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BREEDER BUCK: With an estimated score of 330, Maxbo 727 is the biggest deer at Jeff Dean and Brad Sullivan's Montague County ranch. But the most significant aspect of the ranch is the men's friendship that built it. Photo by David J. Sams, LSON.

No place like home for Guad bass

Native bass largely sedentary, study says

By Thomas Phillips
LONE STAR OUTDOOR NEWS

A new study recently determined that Guadalupe bass are similar to smallmouth bass and other stream-dwelling fish: They stay close to home until it is time to spawn.

The study, conducted by Joshua S. Perkin and others at Texas State University, tracked Texas' state freshwater fish in the South Llano and Pedernales rivers in 2008.

The study looked at movement and microhabitat used by Guadalupe bass in the rivers, and it was Perkin's master's thesis.

The researchers learned that Guadalupe bass move more and can be found in a wider variety of habitats during their spring spawning months from March



TEXAS BASS: Guadalupe bass, like other riverine bass, do not generally move far in a river or stream. Photo by Thomas Phillips, Lone Star Outdoor News.

through June.

The distances they move, however, are not great.

More than half of the fish in the study stayed close to home,

within the same pool or run, Perkin said, during the period of study. Six moved upstream an

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Trappers still going despite low fur prices

Several factors influencing market

By Ralph Winingham
FOR LONE STAR OUTDOOR NEWS

Without a cold winter and better economic conditions — in China and Russia — Texas trappers and fur hunters are facing a depressed market for hides and furs that have been part of human attire since time began.

"The main thing that hurts fur values is the economy — not here, but in China and Russia, where we see our main market," said Dan Hepkor of Bastrop, who is a member of the Texas Trappers and Fur Hunters Association. "We all

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CONSERVATION

New plan to boost quail research

Tech, partners will cast wide net to gather more data

A new research program will unite 38 Texas counties in a push to collect data on quail.

The Quail-Tech Alliance's research area will be in west-central and northwest Texas, which covers more than 22 million acres.

Within each of the counties, one ranch will be designated as an anchor ranch to serve as a field research or demonstration site for five years. Each of the anchor ranches will host a specific research or demonstration project during one year of the five-year period.

"This five-year initiative will produce one of the largest collections of quail data ever generated in a program of this kind," said Charles Hodges, one of the founders of the Quail-Tech Alliance.

The Quail-Tech Alliance is a partnership between Texas Tech's Natural Resources Management Department and Quail First, a nonprofit that advocates for the birds.

Among the historic ranches already on the list are the Pitchfork Ranch, W.T. Waggoner Ranch, Mill Iron Ranch in Collingsworth County, George Allen's Circle A in Archer County and Phil Guitar's Grissom Ranch in Callahan County.

"We plan to use cutting-edge science to attack the problem of quail decline," said Brad Dabbert, research project director and associate chairman of Texas Tech's Department of Natural Resources Management, voicing the need for a much



better understanding of the multiple factors that influence quail population growth. "Our goal is to increase the acreage of suitable quail habitat throughout the region."

The Quail-Tech Alliance will conduct research and demonstration projects on an array of topics, including:

- Investigating effects of supplemental feeding.

- Understanding factors that influence over-winter survival of adults and summer-to-fall survival of the brood.

- Refining the way prescribed burning, brush modification and livestock grazing are used as tools of habitat management.

Separately, research results will be relayed to each anchor ranch immediately, and a "Quail Management

Manual" is to be printed at the end of each five-year project cycle.

Quail numbers across the state are down, primarily because of disappearing habitat and land fragmentation.

Dabbert said the broad research area was specifically designed to study multiple areas with diverse weather patterns and habitat characteristics. And by working with the ranchers to develop customized research projects, the needs of the individual ranch operations will be better served.

The research program begins Jan. 1, though the group indicated that it will enlist ranches and personnel this fall. As part of the project, several Texas Tech graduate and undergraduate students will be employed.



WIDE RANGE: Above, Sean Yancey holds a bobwhite quail before it is banded and released back into the wild at Matador Wildlife Management Area. Left, Yancey locates quail wearing radio transmitting necklaces. Researchers will track quail during the Quail-Tech Alliance project, which will start during January. Photos by Texas Tech University.

"This project provides a very exciting opportunity to study the decline of bobwhite and blue quail populations and their habitat requirements," said Ron Sosebee, a professor emeritus with Texas Tech's Department of Natural Resources Management. "The diverse environmental conditions throughout the Rolling Plains of Texas provide excellent conditions for detailed field research and demonstration projects."

At the end of the multi-year project, the Tech researchers hope to have a better idea of how to increase and sustain quail populations.

"The opportunity to increase quail populations and improve their habitat is exciting and has great promise," Sosebee said.

— Texas Tech report

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HUNTING

E-mails spreading (mostly) false gun rumors

One bill would require owners to register firearms; odds of passing are nil or next to it

By Mark England
LONE STAR OUTDOOR NEWS

Ted Novin of the National Shooting Sports Foundation has two words for people riled after receiving a couple of recent e-mails. The e-mails proclaim that, thanks to Senate Bill 2099, they must list all guns on their 2009 income tax, pay a \$50 tax, then brace for another bill aiming to let the government enter homes to verify residents' guns are stored safely. Novin's words: "urban legends."

"There are a number of urban legends concerning gun-control-related bills that are resurfacing throughout the country," said Novin, director of public affairs for the NSSF.

He quickly shot down talk of S. 2099. "As the trade association for the firearms industry, the National Shooting Sports Foundation wishes to be perfectly clear: There is no such bill," Novin said.

There isn't, but there was — nine years ago.

As with many Internet rumors, this one

contains a tinge of truth. In 2000, Sen. Jack Reed, D-R.I., introduced S. 2099. It would have imposed a one-time \$50 tax on the manufacture of all handguns. The bill also would have required handgun owners to submit their photograph and fingerprints on a firearms application. However, the bill would not have required them to list their guns on their income tax forms.

The bill died a quiet death in the Finance Committee, never even drawing a vote.

Brooks Jackson, director of FactCheck.org,

said the rampant e-mail referring to S. 2099 conflates it with a current bill, the so-called Blair Holt's Firearm Licensing and Record of Sale Act of 2009. Officially called H.R. 45, the bill honors a 16-year-old Chicago honor student who died in a drive-by targeting a school bus when he shielded a girl from bullets.

H.R. 45, submitted by Rep. Bobby Rush, D-Ill., would prohibit the possession of a handgun or semiautomatic weapon that accepts

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Close counts for this coyote hunter

Archer City man returns home to his roots, becomes hunter

By Bill Miller
FOR LONE STAR OUTDOOR NEWS

The gagging screech of a distressed rabbit drifted from the 30-foot mesa where Abby Abernathy and Marvin Henry, his varmint-hunting mentor, were watching for coyotes.

But there was no rabbit; Henry was using a mouth call because in the 1980s, varmint calls had not yet gone "digital."

"Then we heard a noise from above," said Abernathy, a fifth-generation Archer County rancher. "Marvin was, from his vantage point, able to see the coyote standing on top of a large flat rock, looking for that distressed rabbit. I was right under the rock he was standing on."

"He was so close, all I saw was hair. I turned and shot him."

"I had heard about taking 200-yard shots (at varmints), but from then on, I wanted them in my lap."

It's the story Abernathy, 47, tells when asked to describe the moment he realized varmint hunting was not just a tool to mitigate depredations on his family's historic ranch near



Abernathy

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NATURAL FOODS: Acorns fell early in some areas around Texas, giving deer an alternative to eating at feeders. Photo by David J. Sams, Lone Star Outdoor News.

Some deer, but it's still early

Mostly young bucks, does seen around state for bow season opener

By Thomas Phillips
LONE STAR OUTDOOR NEWS

From some reports, it might seem like Kyle Tomek was the only bowhunter to shoot a deer opening weekend in Texas.

Tomek, hunting in Jackson County, shot an

eight-pointer, his largest buck and his first deer killed with a bow. Other hunters around the state reported seeing few mature deer.

Tomek was happy to have his first bow-harvested deer. He had seen the deer running with a bachelor group of about five bucks before the season began.

The Saturday of opening weekend, Oct. 3, the deer was with a 10-point that had a smaller body and narrower inside spread.

"It's not the biggest buck, but I am thrilled to have my first bow kill and biggest buck to date," Tomek said. "The only downside is that my season is basically already over! I could have waited

to better my chances at a bigger buck, but my gut told me to take this solid deer and wait for a bigger one next year."

Hunters elsewhere decided to wait.

Gary Crouch passed on eight young bucks and more than a dozen does opening weekend.

"We had a lot of doe and young buck activity," Crouch said.

Two of the bucks were 3 1/2-year-old eight-points, Crouch said. He's holding out for deer that scores 140 to 160.

Two falls ago, he harvested one that scored 157.

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New products bring predator hunting to cutting edge

Sport involves more than a call, a coyote and an clear shot

By Mary Helen Aguirre
LONE STAR OUTDOOR NEWS

Don Steele is owner and chief guide at Abilene-based Lone Star Varmint Hunts. Since the early 1980s, Steele has been guiding hunters looking to bag a gray fox, a bobcat and that wildest of predators, the coyote. Steele, whose clients usually opt for two- or three-night hunts, goes out an hour before sunset and usually stays out

until an hour past sunrise.

He has spent many a freezing winter night in his modified Jeep Wrangler waiting for his prey.

"We do well after bad weather," he said. "They start moving because they've missed out on their food, and they're hungry."

His most important gear for his hunts: "a good rifle, good lights and good calls," he said.

He favors a .223-caliber custom-

made AR with a hair trigger; a handheld light that's not so bright that predators will spot him before he spots them; and an electronic call or hand call, depending



with warmth and comfort in mind. The goal should be to blend into the night as much as possible.

"You don't want to wear something bright," said Steele, who usually wears camo because he's out before sunset and after sunrise.

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Hunting News in Brief

Deer gores worker, 27, at Y.O. Ranch to death

A Kerr County man working at the Y.O. Ranch died Oct. 1 when an exotic buck deer gored him, according to the *Kerrville Daily Times*.

Brandon Buchi, 27, of Mountain Home suffered two punctures, to his abdomen and thigh, from the deer's antlers. The deer, a barasingha or swamp deer, is a native of India and can grow to 400 pounds. It is closely related to elk.

Buchi was unloading the deer from a trailer when the incident occurred. The barasingha pinned him on the ground and gored him, witnesses told sheriff's investigators.

Witnesses were unsuccessful at trying to pull the deer off of Buchi.

Buchi, a manager at the ranch, died there though a firefighter performed CPR. The deer later died because of stress.

Buchi is survived by his wife, Erin; a brother; his parents; and other family members. Funeral services were to be held Oct. 5.

According to his obituary, Buchi "was living his dream and doing what he loved to do."

— Staff report

New iPhone apps cater to hunters, anglers

Two new iPhone applications let hunters and anglers receive weather forecasts directly on their mobile phones.

HuntCast and FishCast, written by Datasport, allow users to select a date from a calendar and view the forecast graph for that date. The graphs predict "excellent" "good," and "fair" hunting times.

"Most people check the forecasts on a daily basis, either the night before or the morning of their outdoor trip," said app developer Matt Livingston. "But it's not always easy to memorize the times on the charts. HuntCast and FishCast offer quick access, allowing people to view the charts without ever having to leave the woods or the boat."

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FISHING

Corky lures sold to MirrOLure maker

Texas founder will still be involved with quality control

By Thomas Phillips
LONE STAR OUTDOOR NEWS

B&L Manufacturing Co. recently sold the rights to its popular Corky lures to L&S Baits, the maker of MirrOLure brand lures, the owner of B&L said.

L&S will now manufacture the Corky Regular, Floaters, Devils, Fatboys and Devil Floaters, said Paul Brown.

Brown and his wife have been manufacturing Corky lures for 21 years, he said, and he will still be involved with

them. L&S will manufacture the lures at its plant in Costa Rica, and Brown was to travel there to help set up the operation.

"I never wanted to be the best lure in town or have a lure in every shop," said Brown, 74. "MirrOLure's gonna do that."

Brown will help with quality control and research and development for new lures, said Mike Haring, a regional sales representative for MirrOLure.

"Paul will be making several trips to Costa Rica," Haring said.

Neither Haring nor Brown will disclose specific terms of the sale. Brown will collect royalties from L&S based on sales of Corky lures, and Brown received a base amount of money for signing the deal, said Haring, who helped introduce Brown and MirrOLure representatives to

each other.

MirrOLure gained exclusive rights to the five Corky models, and it intends to reproduce Brown's lures to his standards, Haring said. The same materials, from the same suppliers, will be used to make the L&S version. One slight change, however, will be in the design of the Corky head, Haring said.

"The consumer is not going to be able to tell the difference," Haring said.

Brown and his wife will continue to manufacture other lures in their home. They still own rights to 13 other lures, including Brown's first, a shrimp tail he started making in 1974.

Brown also said L&S will faithfully reproduce his Corky.

"This is not a knockoff," Brown said. "It's the original Corky."



HOT ITEM: Brandon Fredrick looks over the thin stock of Corky lures last month at the Tackle Box bait shop in Victoria. Buyers scrambled to buy Corkies when news broke that the company had been sold. Photo by David J. Sams.

Reasons abound for Rockport's trout drop

Anglers report fewer fish biting

By Craig Nyhus
LONE STAR OUTDOOR NEWS

It's been a long summer for Rockport-area trout anglers. Veterans who go back to the killing freeze of 1989 say this season's fishing has been the worst since then. Most trout anglers have been making the run — or the drive — down the coast south of the JFK Causeway and to Baffin Bay or beyond.

The reasons for the tough angling conditions spur debate.

Some blame the high salinity levels caused by an extended drought, only slightly relieved by recent rains. Others say it has been the extremely low tides and warm water temperatures. And still others say it's simply a matter of trout numbers being down from poor spawns in past seasons.

Texas Parks and Wildlife biologist Mark Fisher believes several years of poor spawns are the culprit.

"Current conditions have nothing to do with the fishing now," Fisher said. "Trout numbers are down from a three-year run of low recruitment. It takes two years to grow a legal-sized trout. The trout can handle high salinity levels."

Salinity levels were at near all-time highs this summer, and the recent rains only helped slightly.

"The rains have dropped the salinity a little bit, but there hasn't been a lot of runoff," Fisher said. "But at least it's starting to look more normal."

Longtime guides, though, think salinity levels are factors.

"Part of it is salinity, tidal movement, Cedar Bayou being closed, boat traffic and lack of rain," said guide Brent Hopkins.

Tides this summer were unusual, Hopkins said.

"On July 1, the water fell out and stayed out," he said. "That doesn't equate to good trout fishing — I like a high tide for trout. The deeper shell was not holding a bunch of fish, and they never showed up in the surf either."

Hopkins said the trout fishing has been down for several years, causing him to change his focus.

"I've switched to redbait; the fishing has been good," he said. "I'll wait

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Temp drops, tarpon turn on

Bite is hot this autumn on the Texas coast

By Danno Wise
FOR LONE STAR OUTDOOR NEWS

Port Aransas fishing guide Capt. Frank Sifuentes hasn't been able to resist spending time chasing tarpon over the last few weeks instead of bay redbait, his usual target.

"We've been going out tarpon fishing almost every night," said Sifuentes, who's boated a few fish over 100 pounds in the past couple weeks. "About six weeks ago, we started seeing 3- to 4-footers showing up at the jetties. Then, about two weeks ago, we started seeing some monster tarpon show up. Ever since the big ones have shown, we've been fishing as often as possible, because you never know how long they're going to hang around."

For the most part, Sifuentes' fish have been biting at sunset.

"When we were fishing for the smaller fish, we were drifting ballyhoo," he said. "But since the bigger fish have moved in, we've switched to horse mullet. We're finding most of the fish right at the tip of the north jetty. But, as it gets darker, the bait moves shallower, so we have to drift a little closer to the beach to stay with them."

At the Texas-Mexico border, anglers can usually expect to see tarpon a little later in the year. However, this year the fish were a little



SILVER KINGS: Tarpon are biting on the Texas coast in strong numbers this fall, several guides said. Photo by David J. Sams, LSON.

late in showing as well, so the season seems a lot shorter than usual for most fishermen.

"After the winds stopped blowing so hard at the end of August, I made a few trips to the jetties, and it was pretty dead," said fly fisherman Cruz Lamas. "But, starting a few weeks ago, there have been a lot of fish between the jetties. Talking to friends who've been going

up to Mansfield, they've been seeing a lot of fish around those jetties as well. So hopefully we'll see plenty of fish for the rest of the month."

Galveston guide Capt. Mike LaRue says his tarpon year has been average so far, but over the next few weeks he'll be following the fish as they start moving south.

"In the next couple weeks, we'll

be all but done in Galveston," LaRue said. "But we've got some fish below us at Freeport, and I fish trips around Port O'Connor later in the month."

The fish at Port O'Connor usually stay around longer, LaRue said.

"You can generally catch fish there up until Halloween and

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Laguna Madre fishing club rolls up the beach

Anglers pile into 4-wheel-drives for annual fishing trip

By Shannon Drawe
FOR LONE STAR OUTDOOR NEWS

The loose caravan hadn't gone more than a mile when a Jeep slid to a stop. Fishermen bailed out of every door, throwing their rods together and running their lines through the guides on their fly rods — all while on the move. In less than 2 minutes they were casting into bait visibly breaking in the first cut between the shore and the first sand bar.

Within 10 minutes, a fight broke out between a speckled trout and a fly-fisherman with an eight-



INTELLIGENCE GATHERING:

An angler cruises for tarpon on the beach at South Padre Island. The technique is popular for many anglers, including members of the Lower Laguna Madre Fishing Association.

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BASS BOSS: Bass purchased from Harrell Arms tended to grow to trophy size, perhaps not so much because of genetics but because of Arms' wealth of knowledge passed on to customers.

Fish Man's legacy is his wisdom, not sales tactics

Supplier did more than stock fishing ponds, buyer says

Murray Stacy built a small lake in Central Texas a few years back and, like many avid anglers, wanted to take advantage of a clean slate to maximize his odds for big bass and a well-managed fishery. Once the lake had filled to about the halfway point, he began researching fish providers.

He had spoken to several in the area. All were consistent in their management approach and recommended stocking quantities. He then took the advice of a friend.

"You just need to call this guy named Harrell Arms, and he'll tell you what you need to know," a friend told him several years ago.

And that was how his relationship with the walking encyclopedia of all things "bass ponds" began.

Arms took a different approach to pond management than others, Stacy said. He did not play the salesman and try to convince a potential customer that more is better, Stacy said.

"Honestly, if I could sell you one female and one male largemouth bass, and if you could assure me they would survive, your lake would be fully populated in three years," Stacy recalls Arms saying in their first conversation.

His stocking recommendations were conservative, Stacy said, and he continued at

length, sharing his decades of experience on such things as bottom structure, aquatic vegetation, cormorant control and, of course, fish.

"I was scribbling notes as fast as I could while he talked," Stacy said.

He took Arms' stocking advice, and continued to work with him over the years.

"He always took the time to share his insights even though such conversations seldom generated any sales or income for him," he said. "And as a result of his guidance and assistance, I am blessed with a wonderful trophy bass fishery today."

"I have since referred Harrell's services and consultation to other friends who own and manage freshwater fisheries around Texas, each wanting to know who my 'Fish Man' was."

Stacy will have to find a new friend in the fish business, however. Arms died Sept. 17 at a Fort Worth hospital. He was 65.

No cause of death was given in his obituary.

Stacy had called Arms shortly before his death to ask about removing smaller bass to relieve food competition for the big fish. A few days later, Arms' assistant, Steve Bardin, called to say Arms had died.

Arms' nephew, Darrell Arms, will continue to operate Arms Bait Co. and Fish Farm in Proctor.

On hearing the news, Stacy went fishing to honor his friend's memory.

"I spent Saturday afternoon fishing on our small lake, reflecting on the blood, sweat and



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He always took the time to share his insights, even though such conversations seldom generated any sales or income for him.

— Murray Stacy, customer of Arms Bait Co. and Fish Farm

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Tournament trails wrapping up seasons

Bass Champs, Wal-mart league host championships

Two championship bass tournaments were held the first weekend in October, one in East Texas, the other in West Texas.

At the Wal-mart Bass Fishing League Louisiana-Texas Division two-day Super Tournament, Danny Iles of Hemphill won with a two-day total of 10 bass weighing 39 pounds.

Fishing Oct. 4 at Sam Rayburn Reservoir, Iles said he caught his keepers by targeting grass in various spots with a 1-ounce jig.

Rounding out the top five anglers were Chris McCall of Jasper (10 bass, 36 pounds, 1 ounce), Todd Castledine of Nacogdoches (10 bass, 31-10), Matt Byrd of Kingwood (nine bass, 29-12) and Bradley Stringer of Huntington (10 bass, 29-9).

Bobby Barreraz of Center caught the biggest bass of the tournament with a 7-pound, 13-ounce fish.

At the Bass Champs 2009 North and South Regions Championship on Lake O.H. Ivie, Spike Stoker and Justin Stone claimed the crown.

The pair had a late start and were not at their target destination until 8 a.m. on the first day.

By 9 a.m., they had caught 32 pounds of largemouth bass. Stoker, of Stephenville, and Stone, of Hamlin, won the tournament with a total weight of 58.36 pounds.

Stoker and Stone began their championship run in an area with a drop-off from 17 to 22 feet. They positioned their boat at 24 feet and threw up to the 17-foot area with jigs, spinnerbaits and soft-plastic jerk baits.

The colors that were working best for them were purple haze and bluegill.

With that setup, the bite was fast and furious. With 32 pounds by 9 a.m., they went to

weigh in at 11 a.m. so none of the fish would die.

Stoker had caught all of their fish Saturday, putting them in a strong position going into the second day.

For day two, they returned to the same spot. Within a few minutes, they had lost a big fish, and then Stone caught two 10-pounders.

They stayed there a few more hours but had no more bites. They moved to another spot and sat in 47 feet of water and threw to 35 feet with frogs.

They boated a few keepers there but only ended up with four to weigh in. Their two-day total came to 58.36 pounds and was more than 10 pounds better than second place.

Chris Jaynes and Tim Reneau took second though they struggled Saturday, they said. The team had no fish in the boat until 12:30 p.m.

Using a 1 1/4-ounce jig in the grass and fishing water 8 to 12 feet deep, they found the quality bass they were after. On Sunday, they resumed the working pattern to end up with a two-day weight of 48.32.

Jose Jimenez caught the biggest bass of the tournament — and the biggest bass of his life.

"My partner (Rene Meza) and I were working a grass bed about 6 feet to 10 feet deep," Jimenez said. "We only had a couple of small ones in the boat (until) around 10. I looked around and saw a solitary clump of grass out by itself and threw a 10-inch blue fleck Berkley power worm across it."

He felt a small bump but wasn't sure if it was a fish. He reeled in the slack, and it felt heavy. Jimenez could feel it move a little and told his partner he had a big one.

"But he didn't believe me," Jimenez said. "I had thought I had big fish before, then they turned out to be 3- or 4-pounders."

At the weigh in, the fish tipped the scales at 13.08 pounds.

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URBAN MOUNTAIN LIONS CAUSE A STIR

A mountain lion was spotted behind an El Paso County hospital adjacent to Franklin Mountain. It was "just sitting there" and would not leave, a caller reported. El Paso Game Warden Ray Spears enlisted the assistance of Game Warden Mike Legarretta, and they arrived to find not one but two mountain lions (perhaps a mother and a large offspring). With the hospital on one side, houses and businesses close by, the roar of a college football game not far away and bystanders watching, they were formulating a plan when the two cats wandered down into nearby brush. The wardens geared up and made their way down into the area where the cats were last seen only to find they were gone.

DEER EVIDENCE FOUND ON ATV

Jasper County Game Warden Chris Fried was patrolling a hunting club when he heard a shot. He traveled to the location where he had heard the shot and saw an ATV cross the highway and pull into the front yard of a house. When Fried arrived at the house, he noticed the ATV had blood and deer hair on it. The person riding the ATV ran out of the house and was later found hiding under a mobile home. Fellow Jasper County Game Wardens Morgan Inman and Justin Eddins arrived at the house and helped locate an antlerless deer. Charges pending.

BAITED DOVE FIELD DISCOVERED

During the special white-winged dove season, Game Wardens Bubba Shelton and Ram Coronado were patrolling the Duval-Webb county line when they heard shots at a distance. Once the ranch where the shots were coming from was identified, they both went in. Two different groups were hunting on the ranch; corn was dis-

A caller reported people spearing snook at the jetties on South Padre Island. Game Warden Libby Balusek spoke with the caller, who said three people were keeping the fish in an ice chest. Balusek spoke with the people, who had snorkeling gear, a spear gun and an ice chest full of undersized snook with holes in them. After asking if they had been fish-

No spears for snook

ing, two of them said they were only swimming. When asked who caught the fish, one said the fish had been given to him. Balusek told him she had seen him fishing and that she would appreciate some honesty. He then changed his tune and said he had caught all the fish.

After carrying the ice chest to her truck, Balusek found 19 un-

dersized snook, the largest one measured 19 1/4 inches long, and the smallest measured 11 1/2 inches. Citations were issued for possessing undersized snook and for taking game fish by illegal means and methods. Warnings were given for no fishing license and exceeding the daily bag limit for snook. Civil restitution was filed for all 19 fish.

was camping about 100 yards behind where they were hunting. After checking all of the guns, licenses and doves, Bayless issued citations to each individual for exceeding the daily bag limit. The two gentlemen had 45 doves over their bag limit with 75 doves killed total between the two of them. Bayless and Jones then went to the camp, where another individual was cited for no hunter education and having 18 doves over the bag limit. The group of 10 hunters had 63 doves over the bag limit.

covered on the ground where the hunters were shooting doves. Cases pending for hunting over bait.

DEAD MULE DEER REPORTED; SHOOTER CHARGED

A landowner reported a mule deer carcass found north of Midland on the Midland-Martin county line. The deer's head and backstraps had been removed. The landowner told Midland County Game Warden Brooks Yeates and Howard County Game Warden Matt Woodall muddy tire tracks were found leaving the property and leading to a nearby residence. The wardens obtained a search warrant for the residence. With help from Game Warden Capt. Scott Davis, Sgt. Alan Thompson and investigator Beau Estes with the Midland County Sheriff's Department, the officers found evidence of the deer killing at the home. After questioning, the male suspect confessed to shooting the deer. The man then led the officers to where he had buried the head near his home and where he had killed the deer. One charge of felony hunting without landowner's consent is pending.

WARDENS TAKE THE BAIT BEFORE TEAL

One man was found with a sack of milo poured out in the field in front of him while trying to shoot teal at Lake

Gilmer. The man admitted placing the bait to Upshur County Warden David Pellizzari and Wood County Warden Derek Spitzer. Charges pending.

CHILDREN TEASING CRITTER IN LAREDO

Webb County Game Warden Michael Hummert responded to a call from Laredo police of a baby hog in a northern Laredo neighborhood. Once on the scene, Hummert realized the baby hog was actually a full grown and angry javelina. The javelina had been chased around by neighborhood children, and now the children's parents were afraid the javelina might pose a safety risk to the children. With the assistance of Webb County Game Warden Colt Gaudlen, the javelina was moved to a nearby brushy area. The members of the neighborhood who were present at the scene were also told not to chase wild animals.

WRONG LICENSE FOR SELLING SHRIMP

A would-be businessperson needed more than a recreational fishing license to resell shrimp in Aransas County. Game Warden Danny Flores cited the person, who bought a large amount of shrimp from a commercial shrimp boat captain and set up shop down the street to resell the shrimp for a profit. As Flores approached, the

person asked him if he would like to purchase some shrimp. Flores replied, "No, but I would like to see your license." The person handed Danny a recreational fishing license. A citation for no retail truck dealer's license closed the "shop."

LARGE HUNTING PARTY WAY OVER LIMIT

Region 6 Game Warden Shaun Bayless and Capt. Bill Jones were on patrol for dove hunters in Gaines County when they came across a group of hunters at the end of the day. While checking the hunters, Jones and Bayless heard more shots about 200 to 300 yards down the same road. Bayless was writing a citation for an unplugged shotgun when Jones said he would walk down the road to watch the other group hunting. Bayless finished up with the first group and made his way down to the second group and noticed that Jones had made contact with the two men who were hunting. When Bayless pulled his patrol vehicle to the location where the two men were hunting, he noticed many doves lying all around the subjects. Jones walked around the whole area and picked up several more doves out of the weeds and brush surrounding the area. Bayless asked them if they had any other people hunting with them, and they said the rest of their group

KNOW YOUR RECORD BEFORE RUNNING

While patrolling Lake Newcastle, Young County Game Warden Brent Isom made contact with three people who were drinking beer along the bank. During the contact, one person ran into the brush. Another person had warrants for his arrest. The man with warrants was secured while a perimeter was set up to begin the search for the person who fled. Once the perimeter was set, a search ensued into the thick brush along the lake. A sheriff's deputy with a tracking dog was assisted by Throckmorton County Game Warden Shea Guinn and Albany County Game Warden Brian Huckabee. They picked up the trail of the individual and pushed him out of the brush where Isom and Chief Deputy Carl McGee were waiting to make the arrest. The suspect had a history of armed robbery and ran because he thought he had outstanding arrest warrants. To his dismay, no warrants existed.

WARDEN POSSE ROUNDS UP DOVE POACHERS

Region 10 game wardens made their annual trip to Hidalgo and Cameron counties for the special white-winged dove season. They issued 625 citations and 22 warnings. The majority of the cases were for exceeding the limit of mourning dove.

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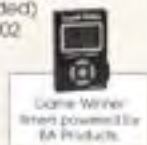
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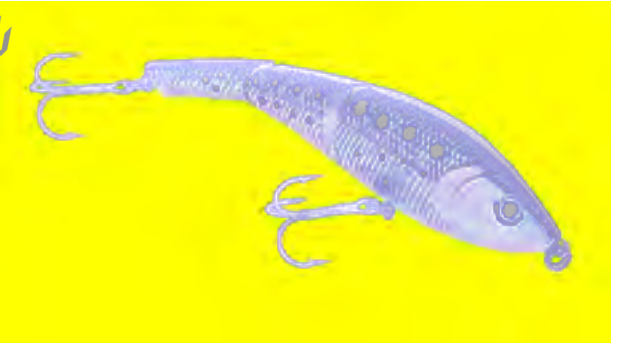
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Deer friends

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the laid-back, low-key one.

Life was playing out well for the men, and their families were growing. Both have two sons and a daughter.

They would hunt together but grew tired of leasing land. Sullivan bought about 500 acres in Montague County, thinking it would be a place for them and their children to hunt.

"We were going to fix it up, manage it," Dean said, and maybe lease it to a few people.

Management proved difficult, Dean said, because they couldn't manage past the property line. So they installed a high fence and began to manage what they could.

To boost their deer herd, they brought in bred does in 2003 and built four pens for them.

"The goal then was just to let them have their babies and kick them out," Dean said. "Well, to this day, nothing's been kicked out."

They started with the 20 does, and now Sullivan Whitetail Ranch is home to almost 500 deer. Several of the bucks sport enormous racks, measuring more than 200 inches or close to it.

But one deer stands out.

The buck

David McQuaig of Cougar Ridge Whitetails bought a bred doe carrying Maxbo 727 (and a twin sister) in Texas. But Cougar Ridge is located in northeastern Oklahoma, and transporting live deer across the Texas border is illegal.

McQuaig asked if Dean and Sullivan could keep the deer for him. McQuaig offered to cover their expenses, but Dean turned him down.

"I never took a dime from him," Dean said. "What's one more deer when you're feeding 200 of them?"

Maxbo 727 was born in summer 2007, and he soon started to grow bigger-than-expected antlers. His parents were also of high quality breeding.

"He kind of jumped out ahead of



BREEDER BUCKS: Two bucks spar at Sullivan Whitetail Ranch in Montague County. The ranch is home to several large bucks, in addition to Maxbo 727. Photo by David J. Sams, LSON.

everybody there in the pen," Dean said. "I said, 'Wow, look at him go.'"

Dean told Sullivan to call McQuaig and ask if he wanted to partner with them on the deer. Essentially Sullivan told Dean that McQuaig has other big deer, and this one probably wouldn't impress him much.

"To us, it was above average, for Texas," Dean said.

By June 2008, Dean was thinking their other bucks of the same age would catch Maxbo 727, he said. But he again told Sullivan to call McQuaig.

Once McQuaig saw a photo of Maxbo 727, he realized he needed to come to Texas and see him.

That first year he scored about 265. This year, Dean estimates the 2-year-old's antlers at about 330.

He was big the first year and bigger the second year. So his antlers were no fluke. Other breeders have successfully bred does using Maxbo 727's semen. The only thing remaining is to see how big the yearlings are in 2010.

If they produce big racks too, Maxbo 727 will have sealed his identity as a giant celebrity deer.

"At that point, it wouldn't matter if he never grew another rack," Dean said.

His offspring, though only a few months old, are showing promise. At this age, young bucks usually only have spikes about the diameter of a pencil.

The spikes on Maxbo 727's sons are about the diameter of a thumb.

"It kind of gets you excited a little bit," Dean said.

The arrangement

When McQuaig finally paid the ranch a visit, the three men worked out a 50-50 co-ownership deal. Maxbo 727 will stay at Sullivan Whitetail Ranch, and the two ranches will share in the payout.

The payout could be big. Or huge.

At two recent auctions, straws of Maxbo 727's semen brought \$16,500 each.

The high dollar amount results from the deer's size and Dean and Sullivan's business acumen. They have released limited amounts of Maxbo 727's semen, does bred to him and his fawns so they do not flood the market.

Dean, who manages daily operations at the ranch and lives there with his family, collects 80 to 120 straws of semen every time he collects. He only collects twice a year.

Dean expresses a desire to take care of his deer, not only Maxbo 727, and not abuse them.

He takes a gentle approach also when dealing with Maxbo 727 and his potential.

"I'm not milking him. I'm not killing him," Dean said. "I'm not cashing him in."

The price is high, but Dean expects it to go higher. He will measure Maxbo 727's antlers at the end of October, when they have fully hardened. With that measurement, he, Sullivan and McQuaig will be able to better set a price.

For now, Maxbo 727 lives out his days in a pen with five other big bucks. Although he is the biggest deer at the ranch, Dean and Sullivan also have others they are proud of.

Maxbo 727's half brother, Maxbo Starbuck, will probably score 270 this year as a 2-year-old.

"Even if (Maxbo 727) wasn't there, we'd be in the, I'm going to say, the top 10 breeders in the state," Sullivan said.

Although Maxbo 727 is potentially worth millions of dollars (another rancher offered to buy him for \$1 million as a yearling), he doesn't live in a padded cell. Dean said he worries about the bucks fighting and injuring each other, and someone told him he should build a barn over his pen. But he can only do so much.

Dean begins separating the bucks into individual pens as their antlers harden. It keeps them from fighting and hurting each other.

"I think no matter what you do there's still going to be the risk of

something happening," Dean said. "At the end of the day, they're wild animals, and they're going to do what wild animals do. It could happen if you put him in a padded room. We just try to do what we can and stay to pretty much the same routine day in and day out."

The friendship

While Dean is at the ranch, watching over Maxbo 727 and the other deer, Sullivan lives in Argyle and oversees his other business interests.

Sullivan owns the ranch, but he doesn't dictate his friend's every move.

"He basically leaves the reigns with me and trusts what I do and why I do it," Dean said.

Sullivan said he has to because his other irons in the fire keep him so busy.

"It's such a high-risk business, I wouldn't have done it unless I had someone I trust 100 percent and who loves it as much as I do," Sullivan said.

They still hunt together, just not at the ranch they bought to hunt on. Now they travel throughout Texas, hunting on other people's ranches.

Shooting white-tailed deer has taken a twist Sullivan did not expect when he started breeding them. Seeing large bucks so often at his ranch leaves a little to be desired when sitting in the stand watching little deer step out from the brush.

"It messes you up when you try to go hunting," Sullivan said.

For now they will continue shepherding Maxbo 727 and the other deer and managing the affairs of the ranch. Maxbo 727 is an impressive deer, but he is not the world to the men.

Their friendship existed before Maxbo 727, and Dean, for one, intends for his friendship with Sullivan to be around after Maxbo 727 is long gone.

"To me the most important thing in the whole deal is our friendship," Dean said. "He's like a brother."

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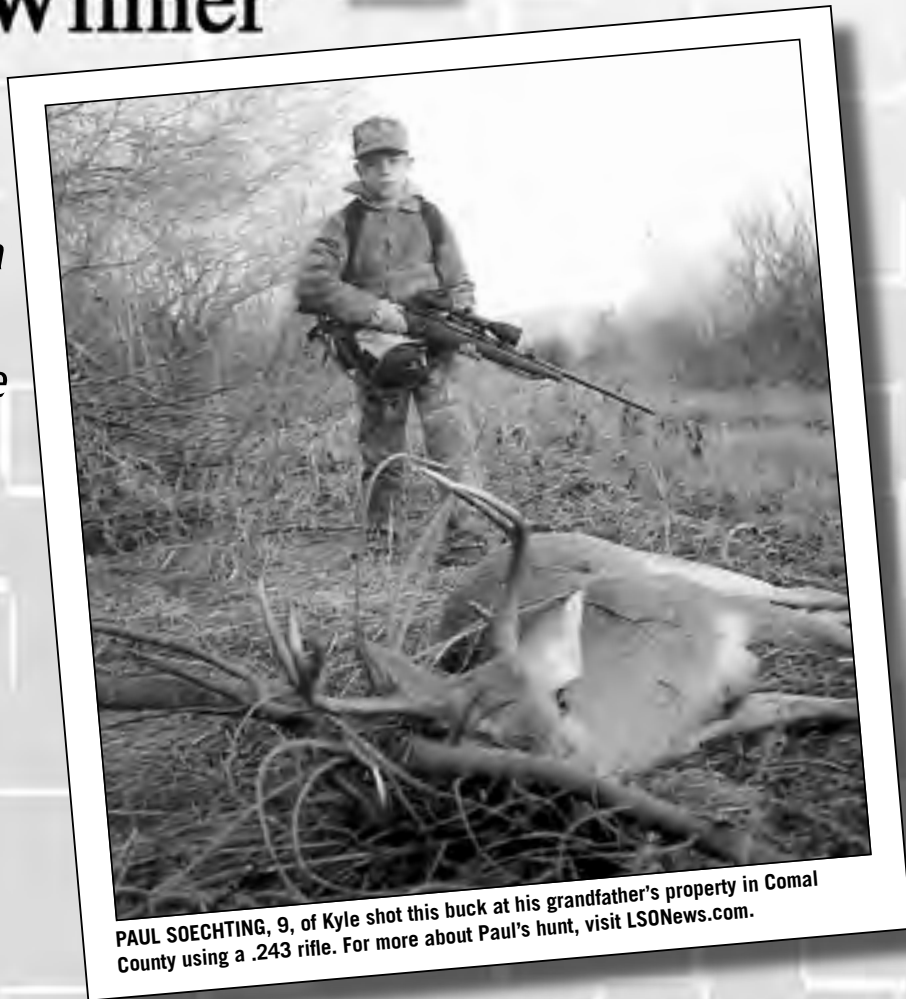
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Guadalupe

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average of 1 kilometer, or about 6/10 of a mile. Three moved downstream an average of 1.5 kilometers.

During the spawn, the fish move from 3 to 9 meters per day, slightly more than 3 to 9 yards. That does not seem like much until it is compared with the fish's wintertime habits. During winter, they mostly stick to undercut banks and travel distances ranging from less than 1 meter per day to 3 meters per day.

"During the winter, they're not moving much," Perkin said. "They're almost in a state of hibernation, living off of fat (reserves)."

Guadalupe bass are similar to other stream-dwelling fish in not migrating long distances to spawn, according to the study.

During spring, the Guadalupe's primary choice for habitat is in-stream woody materials, such as roots or tree limbs. That time of year, the fish are more likely to be found in a wider variety of habitats.

Guadalupe bass are different from largemouth bass during spawning, based on habitat. Both spawn over gravel beds, but largemouth bass will spawn out in the open, and Guadalupe bass will hide under cover.

For Guadalupe bass, movements are also made over the course of a single day. They will leave cover at night and move to open water.

"We can't say exactly what they were doing," Perkin said. "But we think they were feeding."

Predation risks are likely lower at night, according to the study. Smallmouth bass exhibit a similar behavior, Perkin said.

Drought conditions

Guadalupe bass movement also depends on stream flow.

When flow increases, Guadalupe bass will move from woody materials along the stream bank to downstream of sturdier cover — boulders



BASS HOME: Joshua Perkin stands on a large boulder that represents an ideal microhabitat of Guadalupe bass. The fish seek the cover of large boulders in their native Texas waterways, where they also find slower water. Photo by Zach Shattuck.

and rock ledges.

As many anglers know for other fish, Guadalupe bass move to pools during extremely low flows as they did on the Pedernales River during Perkin's study.

During summer, the fish resume their sedentary ways, but they change their habitat. They were found more often in runs on the South Llano and pools on the Pedernales, probably because of low water flow.

Finding pools, sometimes, was no easy feat, Perkin said. The fish encountered extremely shallow water and low-water crossings when trying to find a new place to hang out

on the Pedernales.

"It's amazing what they were able to move through," he said.

Methods

For the study, Perkin used electrofishing methods to catch 24 Guadalupe bass. He surgically implanted a radio tracking device into each fish.

The minimum size for a fish in the study was 10 inches long. The weight of the tracking device could not exceed 2 percent of the fish's body weight. Fish 10 inches or longer met the requirement.

The size of the tracking device also limited the duration of the study.

The device's size is directly related to the battery size. To keep the device size down, researchers gave up battery life.

The batteries lasted 8 months, so all data were collected from January through August. No fish were tracked in late summer and fall.

The biggest fish used in the study were typical, small Guadalupe bass. The biggest on the South Llano measured about 19 inches, and the biggest on the Pedernales measured about 14 1/2 inches.

Perkin initially tried to catch fish for the study using a rod and reel. He started in January, but the fish weren't biting.

They wouldn't take his grub cast from a spinning reel, so he resorted to electrofishing.

Of the 24 fish tagged in the study, five did not make it to August. One was caught and killed by an angler. A flathead catfish weighing about 30 pounds ate another one. Two birds, likely a great blue heron and a cormorant, took one each. The fifth one disappeared and could not be found using radio tracking equipment.

To track the fish in the study, Perkin floated the river in a kayak, tried to spot them from shore and went snorkeling.

State fish

The study adds to the limited body of knowledge relating to Guadalupe bass and other regionally endemic cousins of the Guadalupe. Those cousins include redeye, spotted and shoal bass, all of which are found in drainages that empty into the Gulf of Mexico.

Guadalupe bass are classified as a species of concern in Texas. They are at risk because of genes introduced to the species from smallmouth bass and because of habitat degradation.

Smallmouths were introduced into the bass' native habitat as a sportfish. But the two species hybridize, which can ultimately harm Guadalupe bass.

Habitat degradation comes more from changes in stream flow than urbanization and negative land use, Perkin said, though the former have affected the fish. Stream flow that is dissimilar to the natural pattern of flooding on a river can lead to a decrease in the amount of woody cover available for Guadalupe bass, Perkin said.

Although Guadalupe bass are not as highly valued as largemouth bass, they have support from Texas groups. Four put up funding for the study: Canyon Lake Bass Club of San Marcos, the Texas Fishing Forum, the Texas Chapter of the American Fisheries Society and Texas Parks and Wildlife.

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weight rod.

The bend of the rod indicated it was an even match. Mark Becerra of Harlingen got a slippery grip on the fish in the predawn light, and before anyone could take a picture, he lost the fish.

The trout hit the water and was gone — a healthy, ocean-running speck of about 28 inches escaped to fight another day.

Becerra and the other anglers were members of the Laguna Madre Fly Fishing Association, out of South Padre Island. They were on their annual run up the South Padre Island National Seashore on Sept. 19.

In what has come to be a fall ritual on South Padre, about eight four-wheel-drive vehicles snaked their way from where Texas 100 ends up to the Port Mansfield Cut. The beach portion of the journey is a slow-moving affair that meanders up the shoreline for about 22 miles.

The group first made the fall run in 1998, and attendance and transportation have changed over the years, said member Shane Wilson.

“On the first outing we had about 20 to 25 participants, but on the second outing we filled up the Aqua Dog (a rented amphibious assault vehicle), and a few fishers even drove their vehicles,” Wilson said.

That run amounted to about 35 people, Wilson said, “but after year three, the Aqua Dog died,” and attendance has been running from about 10 to 20 since then.

It’s not all about the transportation though.

“There have been times in the past where waves and wind are against us, or the visibility is zero,” Wilson said.

“We cancelled after Hurricane Dolly because most of the officers were blown out of their homes,”

said LMFF President Jim Palumbo.

Most caravan vehicles have one or more passengers, so that one person can navigate the sandy shoreline while a passenger acts as the spotter, looking for signs of baitfish with game fish in hot pursuit. This is one of those trips where four-wheel-drive is not an option — it’s mandatory.

This year, calm waters and clear skies revealed this stretch of the Gulf of Mexico at its best, with sightings of tarpon, bonito and jack crevalle cruising through the small surf and just beyond the last sandbar.

Past trips to the cut have revealed the diverse species that can be caught along the national seashore.

“Participants have caught jacks, ladyfish, tarpon, red drum, speckled sea trout and spanish mackerel,” Palumbo said.

Palumbo sees the trip as an opportunity to bring the group together for learning and fun — not necessarily in that order.

“In addition to fishing, the trip is a great opportunity for fellowship with our fellow members and guest anglers; it is a fascinating opportunity to introduce people to the club and to fly-fishing in the surf,” Palumbo said.

“I go for the friendship and camaraderie, and I learn from other anglers. I watch and look for what they are looking at, what flies they are using and what techniques, knots, length of leaders, and I have been a part of this event from its inception. But there is still more I can learn as the water changes, tides vary, wind blows and anglers lie or keep secrets until friendships are formed,” Wilson said.

David McDonald of Harlingen said the club and the run up the beach are “one of the few opportunities to break people out of their circle and let them meet other guys.”

“For me personally, this was the



TEXAS SHORE MEN: Left, Shane Wilson poses with a sea-run speckled trout caught off the beach of South Padre Island. Below, Michael Mascha of Austria assembles his rod and scans the water in search of bait fish. Photos by Shannon Drawe, for Lone Star Outdoor News.



first event I participated in with the club, and was the first time my eyes were really opened to how many

people are doing this fly-fishing thing down here on the Laguna Madre,” McDonald said. “Some-

times it’s still easy to feel like you’re the only fly fisherman for a hundred miles.”

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Oct 10	3:47 a.m.	2.7H	2:21 p.m.	0.3L		
Oct 11	3:29 a.m.	2.7H	3:37 p.m.	0.3L		
Oct 12	1:39 a.m.	2.6H	4:57 p.m.	0.4L		
Oct 13	1:51 a.m.	2.6H	7:10 a.m.	2.1L	10:44 a.m.	2.3H
Oct 14	2:04 a.m.	2.4H	7:19 a.m.	1.9L	12:46 p.m.	2.3H
Oct 15	2:18 a.m.	2.3H	7:49 a.m.	1.4L	2:18 p.m.	2.4H
Oct 16	2:31 a.m.	2.3H	8:25 a.m.	1.0L	3:35 p.m.	2.6H
Oct 17	2:45 a.m.	2.3H	9:01 a.m.	0.6L	4:44 p.m.	2.7H
Oct 18	2:57 a.m.	2.3H	9:38 a.m.	0.3L	5:47 p.m.	2.9H
Oct 19	3:07 a.m.	2.3H	10:15 a.m.	0.1L	6:47 p.m.	2.9H
Oct 20	3:07 a.m.	2.4H	10:54 a.m.	0.1L	7:47 p.m.	2.7H
Oct 21	11:35 a.m.	0.1L	8:52 p.m.	2.7H		
Oct 22	12:20 p.m.	0.3L	10:13 p.m.	2.6H		
Oct 23	1:10 p.m.	0.4L				

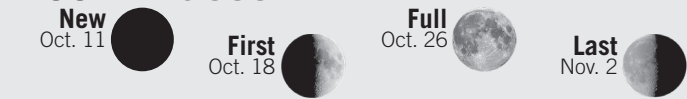
San Luis Pass

Date	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
Oct 9	1:10 a.m.	1.5L	4:01 a.m.	1.6H	2:09 p.m.	0.1L
Oct 10	4:17 a.m.	1.6H	3:17 p.m.	0.2L		
Oct 11	3:59 a.m.	1.6H	4:33 p.m.	0.2L		
Oct 12	2:09 a.m.	1.5H	5:53 p.m.	0.3L		
Oct 13	2:21 a.m.	1.5H	8:06 a.m.	1.3L	11:14 a.m.	1.4H
Oct 14	2:34 a.m.	1.5H	8:15 a.m.	1.1L	1:16 p.m.	1.4H
Oct 15	2:48 a.m.	1.4H	8:45 a.m.	0.9L	2:48 p.m.	1.5H
Oct 16	3:01 a.m.	1.4H	9:21 a.m.	0.6L	4:05 p.m.	1.5H
Oct 17	3:15 a.m.	1.4H	9:57 a.m.	0.3L	5:14 p.m.	1.6H
Oct 18	3:27 a.m.	1.4H	10:34 a.m.	0.2L	6:17 p.m.	1.7H
Oct 19	3:37 a.m.	1.4H	11:11 a.m.	0.1L	7:17 p.m.	1.7H
Oct 20	12:52 a.m.	1.4L	3:37 a.m.	1.5H	11:50 a.m.	0.1L
Oct 21	12:31 p.m.	0.1L	9:22 p.m.	1.6H		
Oct 22	1:16 p.m.	0.2L	10:43 p.m.	1.5H		
Oct 23	2:06 p.m.	0.3L				

Freeport Harbor

Date	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
Oct 9	12:11 a.m.	1.6L	2:53 a.m.	2.3H	1:10 p.m.	0.1L
Oct 10	3:09 a.m.	2.3H	2:18 p.m.	0.2L		
Oct 11	2:51 a.m.	2.3H	3:34 p.m.	0.2L		
Oct 12	1:01 a.m.	2.2H	4:54 p.m.	0.3L		
Oct 13	1:13 a.m.	2.2H	7:07 a.m.	1.4L	10:06 a.m.	2.0H
Oct 14	1:26 a.m.	2.1H	7:16 a.m.	1.2L	12:08 p.m.	2.0H
Oct 15	1:40 a.m.	2.0H	7:46 a.m.	0.9L	1:40 p.m.	2.1H
Oct 16	1:53 a.m.	2.0H	8:22 a.m.	0.6L	2:57 p.m.	2.2H
Oct 17	2:07 a.m.	2.0H	8:58 a.m.	0.4L	4:06 p.m.	2.3H
Oct 18	2:19 a.m.	2.0H	9:35 a.m.	0.2L	5:09 p.m.	2.5H
Oct 19	2:29 a.m.	2.0H	10:12 a.m.	0.1L	6:09 p.m.	2.5H
Oct 20	2:29 a.m.	2.1H	10:51 a.m.	0.1L	7:09 p.m.	2.3H
Oct 21	11:32 a.m.	0.1L	8:14 p.m.	2.3H		
Oct 22	12:17 p.m.	0.2L	9:35 p.m.	2.2H		
Oct 23	1:07 p.m.	0.3L				

Moon Phases



Port O'Connor

Date	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
Oct 9	4:40 a.m.	1.6H	4:00 p.m.	0.3L		
Oct 10	5:39 a.m.	1.6H	5:09 p.m.	0.3L		
Oct 11	6:33 a.m.	1.6H	6:24 p.m.	0.4L		
Oct 12	7:23 a.m.	1.5H	7:42 p.m.	0.5L		
Oct 13	8:05 a.m.	1.4H	8:58 p.m.	0.6L		
Oct 14	7:39 a.m.	1.2H	10:09 p.m.	0.8L		
Oct 15	5:24 a.m.	1.0H	10:18 a.m.	0.9L	4:47 p.m.	1.1H
Oct 16	4:04 a.m.	1.0H	10:53 a.m.	0.7L	6:59 p.m.	1.2H
Oct 17	12:43 a.m.	1.0L	2:55 a.m.	1.1H	11:34 a.m.	0.6L
Oct 18	12:14 p.m.	0.4L	10:12 p.m.	1.4H		
Oct 19	12:56 p.m.	0.3L	11:48 p.m.	1.5H		
Oct 20	1:38 p.m.	0.3L				
Oct 21	1:31 a.m.	1.5H	2:22 p.m.	0.3L		
Oct 22	2:54 a.m.	1.5H	3:11 p.m.	0.4L		
Oct 23	3:59 a.m.	1.5H	4:05 p.m.	0.4L		

Rockport

Date	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
Oct 9	6:06 a.m.	0.78H	5:34 p.m.	0.35L		
Oct 10	7:21 a.m.	0.79H	6:37 p.m.	0.36L		
Oct 11	8:34 a.m.	0.79H	7:36 p.m.	0.38L		
Oct 12	9:43 a.m.	0.77H	8:26 p.m.	0.41L		
Oct 13	10:54 a.m.	0.73H	9:03 p.m.	0.46L		
Oct 14	12:25 p.m.	0.68H	9:21 p.m.	0.53L		
Oct 15	4:41 a.m.	0.62H	9:36 a.m.	0.59L	3:17 p.m.	0.62H
Oct 16	3:17 a.m.	0.65H	11:20 a.m.	0.52L		
Oct 17	2:44 a.m.	0.70H	12:19 p.m.	0.46L		
Oct 18	2:43 a.m.	0.75H	1:07 p.m.	0.41L		
Oct 19	3:02 a.m.	0.78H	1:52 p.m.	0.38L		
Oct 20	3:36 a.m.	0.80H	2:38 p.m.	0.37L		
Oct 21	4:23 a.m.	0.80H	3:29 p.m.	0.38L		
Oct 22	5:24 a.m.	0.79H	4:24 p.m.	0.39L		
Oct 23	6:35 a.m.	0.77H	5:23 p.m.	0.40L		

Port Aransas, H. Caldwell Pier

Date	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
Oct 9	3:24 a.m.	2.2H	12:52 p.m.	0.1L		
Oct 10	3:40 a.m.	2.2H	2:00 p.m.	0.2L		
Oct 11	3:22 a.m.	2.2H	3:16 p.m.	0.2L		
Oct 12	1:32 a.m.	2.1H	4:36 p.m.	0.2L		
Oct 13	1:44 a.m.	2.1H	6:49 a.m.	1.2L	10:37 a.m.	1.8H
Oct 14	1:57 a.m.	2.0H	6:58 a.m.	1.0L	12:39 p.m.	1.8H
Oct 15	2:11 a.m.	1.8H	7:28 a.m.	0.8L	2:11 p.m.	2.0H
Oct 16	2:24 a.m.	1.8H	8:04 a.m.	0.5L	3:28 p.m.	2.1H
Oct 17	2:38 a.m.	1.8H	8:40 a.m.	0.3L	4:37 p.m.	2.2H
Oct 18	2:50 a.m.	1.8H	9:17 a.m.	0.2L	5:40 p.m.	2.3H
Oct 19	3:00 a.m.	1.8H	9:54 a.m.	0.1L	6:40 p.m.	2.3H
Oct 20	3:00 a.m.	2.0H	10:33 a.m.	0.1L	7:40 p.m.	2.2H
Oct 21	11:14 a.m.	0.1L	8:45 p.m.	2.2H		
Oct 22	11:59 a.m.	0.2L	10:06 p.m.	2.1H		
Oct 23	12:49 p.m.	0.2L				

South Padre Island

Date	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
Oct 9	12:48 p.m.	0.0L	11:38 p.m.	2.3H		
Oct 10	1:55 p.m.	0.1L				
Oct 11	12:40 a.m.	2.3H	3:07 p.m.	0.2L		
Oct 12	1:19 a.m.	2.3H	4:23 p.m.	0.4L		
Oct 13	1:37 a.m.	2.1H	5:38 p.m.	0.7L		
Oct 14	1:40 a.m.	2.0H	7:10 a.m.	1.6L	11:43 a.m.	1.8H
Oct 15	1:34 a.m.	1.8H	7:22 a.m.	1.2L	1:43 p.m.	1.9H
Oct 16	1:22 a.m.	1.6H	7:51 a.m.	0.8L	3:16 p.m.	2.1H
Oct 17	1:02 a.m.	1.6H	8:26 a.m.	0.5L	4:34 p.m.	2.2H
Oct 18	9:04 a.m.	0.2L	5:46 p.m.	2.2H		
Oct 19	9:44 a.m.	0.0L	6:54 p.m.	2.2H		
Oct 20	10:26 a.m.	0.0L	8:04 p.m.	2.2H		
Oct 21	11:11 a.m.	0.0L	9:19 p.m.	2.2H		
Oct 22	11:58 a.m.	0.1L	10:36 p.m.	2.2H		
Oct 23	12:49 p.m.	0.3L	11:43 p.m.	2.2H		

Solunar | Sun times | Moon times

2009	A.M.	P.M.	SUN	MOON
Oct	Minor	Major	Rises	Sets
09 Fri	10:20	4:05	10:50	4:35
10 Sat	11:24	5:09	11:54	5:39
11 Sun Q	12:01	6:10	12:25	6:39
12 Mon	12:52	7:06	1:20	7:34
13 Tue	1:43	7:56	2:09	8:22
14 Wed	2:29	8:42	2:54	9:07
15 Thu	3:13	9:25	3:37	9:49
16 Fri	3:55	10:07	4:19	10:32
17 Sat >	4:40	10:53	5:05	11:17
18 Sun N	5:29	11:41	5:54	12:07
19 Mon >	6:22	12:09	6:48	12:35
20 Tue >	7:18	1:05	7:45	1:31
21 Wed >	8:17	2:03	8:43	2:30
22 Thu	9:15	3:02	9:42	3:28
23 Fri	10:12	3:59	10:38	4:25
24 Sat	11:06	4:54	11:30	5:18
25 Sun	11:56	5:44	-----	6:07
26 Mon Q	12:17	6:30	12:41	6:52
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28 Wed	1:40	7:51	2:01	8:11
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18 Sun N	5:34	11:47	6:00	12:12
19 Mon >	6:27	12:14	6:53	12:40
20 Tue >	7:24	1:10	7:50	1:37
21 Wed >	8:22	2:09	8:49	2:35
22 Thu	9:21	3:08	9:47	3:34
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San Antonio

2009	A.M.	P.M.	SUN	MOON
Oct	Minor	Major	Rises	Sets
09 Fri	10:33	4:18	11:03	4:48
10 Sat	11:37	5:22	-----	5:52
11 Sun Q				

FISHING REPORT

HOT BITES

LARGEMOUTH BASS



TRAVIS: Very good on chrome chuggers, watermelon red soft plastic worms and smoke grubs in 5-25 feet.

COOPER: Good on buzzbaits early, later switching to Texas rigs and chartreuse/white chatterbaits.

LAKE O' THE PINES: Good on topwaters early, later switching to Texas rigs and Rat-L-Traps.

O.H. IVIE: Good on white spinnerbaits, live bait and 10-inch junebug soft plastic lures worked around timber.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Good on 6-inch soft plastics, deep running shad-colored crankbaits and topwater lures on mid-lake points with 12-18 in. depths.

WHITE, HYBRID, STRIPER



GRAPEVINE: White bass are good to excellent.

AMISTAD: Striped bass are good on slab spoons, topwaters, shad, spooks and small crankbaits near the 277 bridge.

LBJ: Striped bass are good on soft plastics at night.

ARROWHEAD: White bass are good trolling with some surface action early and late.

CATFISH



BRAUNIG: Channel catfish are excellent on liver, shrimp, cut bait and cheesebait near the dam and the discharge.

CALAVERAS: Channel and blue catfish are excellent on liver, shrimp, cheesebait and shad near the railroad trestle, 181 Cove and the discharge.

CHOKE CANYON: Channel and blue catfish are excellent on punchbait in 3-10 feet.

RAY ROBERTS: Catfish are good to excellent on prepared bait.

FALCON: Channel and blue catfish are very good on cut bait and shad.

CRAPPIE



BELTON: Good on minnows.

GIBBONS CREEK: Good on minnows and chartreuse tube jigs.

GRANBURY: Good on minnows and pink tube jigs.

HUBBARD CREEK: Good on jigs and minnows.

ALAN HENRY: Water lightly stained; 82 degrees; 1.83' low. Black bass are good on white spinnerbaits, buzzbaits and black/blue soft plastic ringworms along brush and grass lines. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. Catfish are good on live bait.

AMISTAD: Water clear; 80 degrees; 2.83' low. Black bass are good on jigs, Senkos and craw worms. White bass are good on Rat-L-Traps, slab spoons, topwaters, shad, spooks and small crankbaits near the 277 bridge. Catfish are slow.

ARROWHEAD: Water lightly stained; 76 degrees; 6.47' low. Black bass are good on hollow body swim baits and crankbaits suspended 4-8 feet off rocky points. Crappie are fair on jigs suspended 14-16 feet. Blue catfish are good drift fishing with cut shad or cheese bait on flats at 12-15 feet deep and on jugs baited with live bait.

BELTON: Water clear; 81 degrees; 7.29' low. Black bass are good on spinnerbaits near the bank and trolling Rat-L-Traps. Hybrid striped are slow. White bass are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on hot dogs, stinkbait and shrimp. Yellow catfish are good on live perch and shad.

BOB SANDLIN: Water fairly clear; 74-77 degrees; 0.09' high. Black bass are good on Ribbits early, later switching to Texas rigs, Rat-L-Traps and 7" worms on a shaky head jig. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs under the 21 and railroad bridges and over brush piles. White bass are fair to good on slabs. Catfish are good on and prepared bait.

BRAUNIG: Water stained; 81 degrees. Black bass are slow on crankbaits and dark soft plastic worms. Striped bass are fair on liver and shad near the pier and at Dead Tree Point and on marble spinnerbaits near the jetty and dam. Redfish are fair on perch, shad and silver spoons and down rigging spoons near the jetty and dam. Blue catfish are good on cut bait.

BROWNWOOD: Water clear; 81 degrees; 7.19' low. Black bass are good on Bass Hogg inline buzz frogs and 3/16-ounce shaky heads with 4" redbug and watermelon/chartreuse tailed worms along the docks, rocks and near brush piles in 2-8 feet early and 8-16 feet later and on topwater frogs, torpedoes and Pop-R's. Hybrid striped are good trolling helibenders. White bass are good off lighted docks at night. Crappie are good over brush piles. Channel catfish are good on cut bait and nightcrawlers over baited holes. Yellow catfish are good on trotlines baited with perch and worms.

BUCHANAN: Water clear; 82 degrees; 27.33' low. Black bass are fair on root beer drop-shot worms on drop-shot rigs, silver flake soft plastics on jigheads and white/chartreuse/purple back crankbaits in 8-20 feet early (and all day under cloud cover). Striped bass are fair casting and jigging soft plastics and drifting or free-lining live bait. White bass are fair on 2" plastic swimbaits. Crappie are fair on pink/white and chartreuse crappie jigs and live minnows in clear water. Channel catfish are fair to good on live bait upriver. Yellow and blue catfish are good on live bait upriver.

CADDO: Water off-color; 74-78 degrees; 14.64' high. Black bass are fair on flukes, Senkos, spinnerbaits and buzzbaits early, later switching to Texas-rigged worms and Sweet Beavers. Crappie are fair on jigs and shiners. Catfish are good on limb lines and trotlines.

CALAVERAS: Water stained; 81 degrees. Black bass are fair on dark soft plastic worms, spinnerbaits and crankbaits around reed beds, near the dam and in Granny's Cove. Striped bass are slow. Redfish are good down-rigging spoons with green grubs. Crappie are slow.

CANYON LAKE: Water clear; 82 degrees; 14.64' low. Black bass are fair on drop-shot rigs, watermelon red soft plastics on wacky rigs and Texas-rigged pumpkin worms and white spinnerbaits along main lake bluffs in 12-20 feet and in standing timber in 4-8 feet. Striped bass are fair to good but small jigging blade baits and trolling crankbaits. White bass are slow. Smallmouth bass are fair on smoke grubs and 3/16-ounce pumpkin jigs. Crappie are fair on minnows and

crappie jigs upriver. Channel catfish are slow. Yellow and blue catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live bait.

CEDAR CREEK: Water lightly stained; 73-77 degrees; 0.68' low. Black bass are fair to good on Carolina rigs, jigs and drop-shots, with early action on topwaters. White bass are fair. Hybrid striped are fair burning large slabs. Crappie are slow on small minnows. Catfish are good drifting cut shad and on chartreuse nightcrawlers.

CHOKE CANYON: Water clear; 82 degrees; 8.99' low. Black bass are good on large soft plastic worms and lizards in 12-20 feet. White bass are slow. Crappie are slow. Drum are good on live worms.

COLEMAN: Water clear; 81 degrees; 9.51' low. Black bass are good on watermelon red spinnerbaits, crankbaits and soft plastics. Hybrid striped are fair on live minnows. Crappie are fair on minnows and tube jigs. Channel and blue catfish are good on shrimp and minnows.

COOPER: Water lightly stained; 72-76 de-

white buzzbaits and spinnerbaits, green pumpkin or pumpkin soft plastic worms and live bait worked along grass lines. Crappie are good on jigs and minnows. White bass are good on live bait. Smallmouth bass are good on live bait and shad-colored spinnerbaits. Walleye are good on live bait. Catfish are good.

HOUSTON COUNTY: Water stained; 82 degrees; 1.00' low. Black bass are good on pumpkinseed worms near the marina. White bass are slow. Crappie are slow. Bream are very good on live worms off piers and grass beds. Channel and blue catfish are good on live worms and on trotlines baited with shad.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water lightly stained; 79 degrees; 7.24' low. Black bass are good on white spinnerbaits or buzzbaits worked along grass lines and pumpkinseed soft plastics lures worked along timber and rocks. White bass and hybrid stripers are good on live bait. Catfish are good on live bait.

LAKE O' THE PINES: Water stained; 74-78 degrees; 4.4' high. Crappie are fair to

minnows and jigs. White bass are good on live bait and shad-colored crankbaits. Smallmouth bass are good on live bait and shad-colored chatterbaits. Channel catfish are good on live or cut bait.

OAK CREEK: Water lightly stained; 75 degrees; 5.12' low. Black bass are fair on white spinnerbaits and live bait. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. Catfish are good on cut liver.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water stained; 78 degrees; 4.97' low. Crappie are fair on minnows and yellow jigs. White bass are good on silver jigging spoons and small crankbaits. Stripers are good on topwater lures, silver spoons and Rat-L-Traps. Catfish are fair on live shad and cut liver.

RAY HUBBARD: Water fairly clear; 73-77 degrees; 0.04' high. Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits early, later switching to Texas rigs and medium-running pearl crankbaits. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. White bass are good on topwaters and slabs. Hybrid striped are good on 2-ounce slabs. Catfish are good on prepared bait.

RAY ROBERTS: Water lightly stained; 72-76 degrees; 1.25' low. Black bass are slow on crankbaits. Crappie are good on minnows. White bass are good on jigging spoons in 25-40 feet.

RICHLAND CHAMBERS: Water off-color; 74-78 degrees; 2.77' low. Black bass are fair to good on topwaters and spinnerbaits early, midday switching to Carolina rigs and drop-shot rigs. White bass are fair on slabs and topwaters. Hybrid striped are fair on large slabs and Rat-L-Traps. Crappie are slow. Catfish are good on prepared bait and cut shad.

SAM RAYBURN: Water stained; 82 degrees; 4.83' low. Black bass are good on watermelon red and tequila sunrise soft plastic worms. White bass are good on minnows and white/gold spoons. Crappie are good on live minnows. Bream are good on nightcrawlers. Catfish are good on live bait, shrimp and punchbait.

STILLHOUSE: Water stained; 79 degrees; 1.29' low. Black bass are slow. White bass are fair on minnows and slabs. Crappie are good on minnows. Channel and blue catfish are good on minnows, hot dogs and nightcrawlers.

SWEETWATER: Water lightly stained; 75 degrees; 7.12' low. Black bass are fair on live bait and white spinnerbaits. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass are good on live bait and black/chrome crankbaits. Catfish are fair.

TAWAKONI: Water fairly clear; 73-77 degrees; 1.63' low. Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits, topwaters and Texas rigs. Crappie are fair on live minnows in 15 feet. Catfish are good on nightcrawlers and prepared bait. White bass are good on Humdingers and topwaters. Striped bass and hybrid striped are fair.

TEXOMA: Water off-color; 72-77 degrees; 0.41' low. Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and buzzbaits early, midday switching to crankbaits, Texas rigs and drop-shot rigs. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. Striper bass are fair early on topwaters and Sassy Shad, later switching to slabs and live shad. Catfish are fair on cut shad and nightcrawlers.

TOLEDO BEND: Water stained; 81 degrees; 3.27' low. Black bass are good on watermelon/blue flake and redbug soft plastic worms. Striped bass are slow. White bass are fair on minnows and silver spoons. Crappie are fair on live minnows. Bream are good on crickets and nightcrawlers. Channel and blue catfish are good but small on punchbait.

TRAVIS: Water stained; 81 degrees; 50.52' low. Striped bass are slow. White bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows and blue and white tube jigs.

WALTER E. LONG: Water clear; 81 degrees. Black bass are slow. Hybrid striped are good on live bait. White bass are good on crankbaits and spinnerbaits. Crappie are good on minnows. Channel and blue catfish are good on stinkbait.

WHITNEY: Water stained; 11.38' low. Black bass are good on pumpkinseed/white Rat-L-Traps, spinnerbaits and crankbaits on main lake points and flats. Striped bass are good on minnows and green striped jigs. White bass are fair.

HOT SPOT



Lake Conroe

Water stained; 1.19' low. Black bass are very good on pumpkinseed and tequila sunrise soft plastics, Senkos, crankbaits, and Rat-L-Traps. Striped bass are fair on live minnows and chartreuse striper jigs. Crappie are good on minnows. Catfish are fair on stinkbait, live bait, and nightcrawlers.

grees; 1.3' low. Crappie are fair to good on jigs and minnows. White bass are good. Hybrid striped are fair to good on Sassy Shad and slabs. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers and prepared bait.

FALCON: Water stained; 81 degrees. Black bass are fair on white and chartreuse/white crankbaits and spinnerbaits. Striped bass are slow. Crappie are slow.

FORK: Water lightly stained; 73-78 degrees; 0.31' high. Black bass are fair on buzzbaits and Yellow Magics early, midday switching to Carolina rigs and 3/4-ounce jigs with trailers. Crappie are fair to good on live minnows. Catfish are good on cut shad and nightcrawlers.

GIBBONS CREEK: Water clear. Black bass are good on pumpkinseed and tequila sunrise Carolina-rigged soft plastics, spinnerbaits and Rat-L-Traps. Catfish are good on stinkbait, shrimp and nightcrawlers.

GRANBURY: Water clear; 1.92' low. Black bass are fair on pumpkinseed spinnerbaits, crankbaits and Rat-L-Traps. Striped bass are fair on live bait. White bass are good on perch-colored spinnerbaits and minnows. Catfish are good on stinkbait, shrimp and live bait.

GRANGER: Water clear; 78 degrees; 1.12' low. Black bass are slow. White bass are slow. Crappie are good on chartreuse jigs and minnows in 4-15 feet. Blue catfish are good on fresh shad and prepared baits in newly flooded vegetation. Yellow catfish are fair on live perch and goldfish.

GRAPEVINE: Water off-color; 74-78 degrees; 2.07' low. Black bass are fair on Texas rigs and crankbaits near rocky points. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. Catfish are fair on prepared baits and nightcrawlers.

GREENBELT: Water stained; 74 degrees; 31.89' low. Black bass are good on

good on minnows and jigs. Catfish are good on nightcrawlers and prepared bait.

LBJ: Water stained; 81 degrees; 0.09' low. Black bass are fair on 1/8-ounce buzzbaits and wacky-rigged green pumpkin soft plastics and green pumpkin tubes. White bass are fair to good. Crappie are fair to good on crappie jigs and live minnows. Channel catfish are good on minnows and dipbait. Yellow and blue catfish are fair to good.

LEWISVILLE: Water off-color; 74-78 degrees; 1.74' low. Black bass are fair to good on spinnerbaits, Texas rigs, Rat-L-Traps and Carolina rigs. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs over brush piles. White bass are good slabs. Hybrid striped are fair to good on slabs and Sassy Shad. Catfish are good on nightcrawlers.

LIVINGSTON: Water fairly clear; 82 degrees; 0.26' high. Black bass are fair on soft plastics and crankbaits. Striped bass are slow. White bass are good. Crappie are fair on minnows. Blue catfish are good on shad.

MACKENZIE: Water lightly stained; 75 degrees; 77.91' low. Black bass are good on live bait, with some topwater action late in day. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass and striped bass are good on live bait and silver inline spinners. Smallmouth bass are good on live bait. Walleye are good on live bait. Catfish are good.

NAVARRO MILLS: Water murky; 78 degrees; 0.03' low. Black bass are fair on minnows and jigs off docks in Liberty Hill Park. White bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. Channel and blue catfish are good on stinkbait, shrimp and shad.

O.H. IVIE: Water lightly stained; 77 degrees; 19.78' low. Crappie are good on

SALTWATER SCENE

NORTH SABINE: Redfish are good in the marsh with high tides. Drifters have worked slicks on shad and plastics.

SOUTH SABINE: Trout are good at the jetty on live bait and topwaters. Flounder are fair at the mouths of the bayous on a falling tide on jigs tipped with shrimp.



BOLIVAR: Trout are good on the south shoreline on Bass Assassins, Trout Killers and Sand Eels. Trout, black drum, sand trout and redfish are good at Rollover Pass.

TRINITY BAY: Trout are good for drifters working pods of shad and mullet on Bass Assassins, Trout Killers and Sand Eels. Redfish are good on live bait around the reefs and in the marsh. Redfish are fair to good.

EAST GALVESTON BAY: Redfish are good in the marsh on small topwaters and live bait. Trout are fair on the shorelines for waders on topwaters, soft plastics and Corkies.

WEST GALVESTON BAY: Sheepshead, redfish and black drum are good at the jetty on shrimp and crabs. Tarpon have been showing along the beachfront. Redfish are good in the back lakes on natural baits.

TEXAS CITY: Redfish are fair to good in Moses Lake on crabs and shrimp. Redfish are fair to good on reefs in Dickinson Bayou on shrimp.

FREEPORT: Bull redfish are fair to good on live bait on the Surfside beach. Black drum and redfish are good on the reefs in Bastrop Bay.



EAST MATAGORDA BAY: Trout are fair for drifters on live shrimp over humps and scattered shell. Trout are good for waders on the shorelines on small topwaters and Chicken on a Chain Bass Assassins.

WEST MATAGORDA BAY: Flounder are fair to good on the shorelines for giggers and waders. Trout are fair on sand and grass humps on soft plastics and topwaters. Redfish are fair on live shrimp.

PORT O'CONNOR: Trout and redfish are fair for drifters working the back lakes with live shrimp. Redfish are good in the surf and at the jetty on mullet, croakers and piggy perch.

ROCKPORT: Redfish are fair to good on mullet on the Estes Flats and around Mud Island. Redfish are beginning to work in large schools. High tides have pushed redfish to the shallow flats.

PORT ARANSAS: Trout, redfish and sheepshead are fair to good at the jetty on shrimp and croakers. Bull redfish are good in the surf and at the jetty on crabs, shrimp and shad. Offshore is good for amberjack, kingfish, tuna and dolphin.



CORPUS CHRISTI: Redfish are good in the surf on mullet, shrimp and shad. Redfish are good in the guts running parallel to the shorelines. Higher tides have pushed redfish on the shallow flats.

BAFFIN BAY: Trout are good on topwaters and plum plastics around rocks and grass. Redfish are fair to good in knee-deep water on small Super Spooks, She Pups and SkitterWalks. Trout have been caught over mud.

PORT MANSFIELD: Redfish are fair to good while drifting pot holes on topwaters and soft plastics under a popping cork. Higher tides have pushed reds high on the sand. Offshore is good for kingfish, ling and dolphin.

SOUTH PADRE: Trout, redfish and snook are fair to good in South Bay. Tarpon and snook are good on DOA Shrimp at the jetty. Bull reds have been showing at the jetty.



PORT ISABEL: Trout and redfish are fair to good while drifting sand and grass flats on live shrimp, DOA Shrimp and Gulp under popping corks. Redfish are good in the shallows on small topwaters and gold spoons.

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West Texans partner to address pronghorn loss

Numbers still down after drought of '90s

The newly formed Trans-Pecos Pronghorn Working Group is turning to laboratory science for answers concerning diminishing numbers of pronghorn antelope in West Texas.

The Trans-Pecos Pronghorn Working Group is a team of West Texas landowners, outfitters, TPW biologists, Borderlands Research Institute personnel and wildlife veterinarians who organized to review population information and possible reasons for recent declines. The panel created a plan to better identify potential diseases and parasites with the animals.

During the first weekend of October, Texas Parks and Wildlife biologists, student members of the Sul Ross State University Range and Wildlife Club and landowners were to sample numerous pronghorn harvested by hunters

throughout West Texas. Samples collected from the animals will be analyzed for diseases, internal parasites and mineral levels to uncover barriers to survivability and reproduction.

Every year, TPW biologists issue permits to Trans-Pecos landowners to allow hunters to harvest buck pronghorn. Even during extremely low population cycles, a conservative harvest of buck pronghorn has no effect on the viability of the entire herd, according to the group. However, harvested animals can provide information to biologists, the group said.

Another sampling effort will occur later in the winter by capturing live does and examining them.

The studies should provide information to help pronghorn managers identify specific diseases and parasites that may be negatively impacting Trans-Pecos pronghorn populations.

Pronghorn historically occurred over most of Texas, but because of habitat loss and over harvest during the late 1800s and early 1900s,

populations plummeted. With protective measures implemented by the state, populations rebounded during the 1960s, '70s, and '80s.

Trans-Pecos pronghorn numbers typically ebb and flow with precipitation patterns and reached an estimated high population of over 17,000 animals in 1987. The drought of the 1990s began lowering numbers again. They bottomed out in 2001 at about 5,000. Increased rainfall bounced numbers back to over 10,000 in 2007. Pronghorn numbers in the Marfa area declined dramatically by summer of 2008 because of adult mortality and low fawn production. An eight-month dry period, a late hard freeze and increased predation were thought to be the primary culprits. Range conditions improved with increased rainfall, but landowners still reported some loss of adult pronghorn. Additionally, fawn crops in the area were extremely low this summer despite intensive predator control and favorable range conditions.

— Trans-Pecos Pronghorn Working Group report

Pronghorn insiders

Members of the newly formed Trans-Pecos Pronghorn Working Group are listed below:

- **Jon Means**, owner of Moon Ranch
- **Bobby McKnight**, owner of McKnight Ranch
- **Albert and Bill Miller**, owners of Miller Ranch
- **Dan McBride**, veterinarian and hunting guide
- **Ken Waldrup**, veterinarian with the Texas Department of State Health Services
- **Ernie Davis**, retired TPW biologist and hunting guide
- **Billy Tarrant**, TPW district leader
- **Johnny Arredondo**, TPW biologist in Jeff Davis County
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tears that it took to get it to this point," Stacy said. "I watched as sterile grass carp foraged on the underwater vegetation, preventing it from overtaking the lake while leaving enough cover for the bass and bluegill, just like Harrell said they would.

"I caught beautiful bass one after the other, keeping all of the smaller ones to eat or give

away, as Harrell had advised. I caught two spectacular trophy bass right at dark on a rubber frog."

As he released them, he realized they were probably some of the original fingerling bass Arms had delivered years ago.

Stacy recalled another gem of wisdom his non-salesman Fish Man provided.

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Waterfowlers concerned over e-stamps

Paper federal duck stamp still required, mailed later

A change in the federal duck stamp process to an electronic purchase this year is raising concern among some Texas duck hunters, according to Texas Parks and Wildlife.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service no longer provides the paper federal duck stamp to Texas hunting license sales agents. Hunters can still purchase the required stamp endorsement wherever hunting licenses are sold. An endorsement on a tag located at the top of the hunting license will indicate that a federal duck stamp has been purchased through a TPW license agent. The paper copy of the stamp will be mailed later.

That's where the e-stamp process has caused confusion among hunters. Unlike the Texas Migratory Game Bird Stamp, which is an endorsement

printed on the hunting license with no paper stamp issued, the federal duck stamp is still a paper stamp that must be signed by the hunter and affixed to the back of the license.

Hunters who purchase their federal duck stamp through TPW license sales are issued a 45-day grace period to allow for fulfillment and mailing of their stamp. According to Fish and Wildlife Service officials, the 45-day grace period is a federal allowance and will be honored providing the hunter retains proof of purchase.

Federal duck stamp fulfillment is handled through a third party, AM-PLEX, contracted by the Fish and Wildlife Service. Hunters should monitor their mail closely for an envelope marked "Federal Duck Stamp Information Enclosed" containing

their federal duck stamp. TPW is not responsible for replacing federal duck stamps lost in the mail.

Last year during a test of the new process, TPW issued about 4,000 e-stamp endorsements and reported no problems. The e-stamp process went statewide in August 2009. By the end of September, TPW reported nearly 70,000 federal duck stamp endorsements had been sold.

"As with any new system, there are some kinks that need fixing," said Tom Newton in TPW's license section. "We know there was a lag in turnaround because of the sheer number of purchases prior to teal season. I don't anticipate that being a problem now because the bulk of our duck hunters have already bought theirs."

— TPW report



STAMP DUTY: Waterfowl hunters may purchase an electronic federal duck stamp when they purchase their hunting license, but this year the paper stamp will be mailed afterward and is required after a 45-day grace period. Photo by Thomas Phillips, LSON.

Waterfowl News in Brief

Migration slow to start up north

Pro staffers with Avery Outdoors report little in the way of bird migrations so far this fall, though conditions are improving to push the birds down.

In Brookings, S.D., Martin Hesby has seen no migration of big ducks and geese, but teal have moved out of the area. The wetland conditions are favorable and in good shape going into the fall, Hesby said.

Hunting there is over small grain fields and recently cut corn silage fields, he said.

In Kalispell, Mont., geese are forming larger flocks but have not left the area, said David Ortley.

"The birds I have seen are taking advantage of the grain in fields that were harvested in early September," Ortley said. "Very little tilling has taken place, and the birds, therefore, have more than enough food."

Weather in Montana has been pleasant, Ortley said, with highs in the 70s and nights dipping into the 30s. Kalispell had its first frost Sept. 21.

Casey Lewis in Buffalo, Wyo., has had highs in the 70s and 80s. He has seen a few sandhill cranes migrating but no other fowl.

Kirk Steffensen had a poor report from Nebraska. The state is low on water, and local goose and teal numbers seem below average, Steffensen said.

Avery's Texas pro staffer, Derek Rambo, said most of the crops are out of the fields, and plenty of waste was left behind for migrants. With the state's recent spate of cool weather, the teal have left North Texas, Rambo said.

— Avery Outdoors report

Tarpon

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sometimes into November. It just depends on how soon the cold weather moves in. But I'll still be tarpon fishing through October; I'll just be adjusting my location as the fish move south."

A short ways down the coast, Freeport guide Capt. Mike Segall said some silver kings have continued to mill around.

"We've had some tarpon hanging around the mouth of the (Brazos) river the last couple weeks," said Segall. "I expect those fish to stick around for a while. They'll be gone by November, but for the first few weeks of October we should still have plenty of fish hanging around. You just have to run up and down until you either see them on the surface or mark them with a depth finder. They're there, you just have to find them."

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Predator products

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to prevent the reed from freezing to the tone board in cold weather. The Skyote is a great tool for making those high-pitched distress sounds that entice predators. For more information, visit www.gofoxpro.com.

Lights. Golight Inc. has added the **Gobee** to its lineup of spotlights. The Gobee emits at 50,000 candlepower and sells for about \$150. However, that light isn't yet available with lens covers. Night hunters who prefer to use a red lens cover on their spotlights might want to opt for the RadioRay (model 7901), which emits 225,000 candlepower. It has an MSRP of \$269. Both lights have a programmable wireless remote control, a magnetic mount shoe, and a 15-foot cord to plug into the vehicle's lighter. For retailers, visit www.golight.com.



Optics. Nikon recently introduced the Coyote Special riflescopes. They feature the company's BDC Predator Hunting Reticle that uses ballistic circles that will not obscure the target, making shots on a moving coyote simple. Each of the new Nikon Coyote Special riflescopes also includes anti-reflective device technology that eliminates game-spooking objective lens glare. And the multicoated lenses featuring 92-percent light transmission for a clear view in the first and last minutes of light. The new Coyote Special riflescopes are available in two power ranges (4.5-14X40 and 3-9x40) and two camo options. They cost about \$280 to \$350. For retailers, visit www.nikonhunting.com.



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Abernathy

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Archer City.

Calling coyotes, bobcats and other varmints are now one of his passions, and he does it competitively.

Check the leader board on any of the major varmint contests around the state, and there's a good chance you'll see the names of Abernathy and three teammates.

But Abernathy is widely known for other passions.

He's busy restoring white-tailed deer and quail habitats on the 8,000 acres of his family's Seven Bar Ranch. His clients stay at the historic Spur Hotel in Archer City, which he bought and restored with his sister.

And he's a family man; Abernathy and his wife, Nikki, have three kids at home.

But people across Texas might know him best for his efforts to bring Archer City's Royal Theater from a state of ruin to a vibrant tourist attraction.

The Royal is the iconic centerpiece of "The Last Picture Show," the ac-



MAN OF MANY HATS: Hunting bobcats and other predators is but one of Abby Abernathy's pursuits. The Archer City man also restored the city's Royal Theater, one of the stars of Larry McMurtry's book "The Last Picture Show." Photo by David J. Sams, LSON.

claimed novel by Archer City native Larry McMurtry. The semi-autobiographical book was made into a popular movie in 1971, and it was filmed in Archer City.

As for his own youth, Abernathy had little time for the outdoors. Hunting, he said, took a backseat to high school athletics.

He was as a walk-on running back

at Southern Methodist University in the early 1980s, but Eric Dickerson became the standout.

Abernathy's father died while he was at SMU, and he became homesick. He overcame the blues and spent three years in New York City.

He worked various jobs in the theater community, including some acting roles. He returned to Texas and brief-

ly lived in Austin.

Abernathy went back to Archer City and started developing the Royal, which he bought with a partner in 1986, but later he owned it all.

The task involved intense fundraising, some community organizing and an endorsement from McMurtry.

The theater became a performance venue, surrounded by McMurtry's famous book stores and other amenities.

"The theater project was handed over," Abernathy said of the completed project. "I said, 'There it is, it works, keep it running.' And I just walked away from it."

He then focused on the ranch, which had been in his family since his great-great grandfather secured a Texas land grant in the 1800s.

His to-do list included predator control, using techniques taught by Henry and another friend, C.T. McDaniel.

"These two older gentlemen, who were good friends of my father, took me under their wings," he recalled. "They said, 'Come on, we need to kill

100 coyotes this winter.'"

Abernathy subsequently was enthralled with calling varmints into shotgun range.

This year the four-man contest team won the Carlton Kendrick Memorial Hunt in Graham.

Abernathy said he is a good fit for the team because his 8,000 acres gives the group ample chances to kill coyotes for contests.

But opportunity is matched by challenges.

"Coyotes — they're the smartest," he said. "A coyote will run in to you, but sometimes you will see him change in stride as he gets closer. They can hear, they see, and they can smell."

"Sometimes you can stop him, and sometimes you can't."

Abernathy likes sharing the challenges with clients on guided ranch hunts.

"We've had bobcats within three steps of us, just standing behind us," he said. "Sometimes it's not about actually killing."

"It's about having those animals in the lap."

E-mails

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detachable ammunition-feeding devices by anyone without a firearms license.

Like S. 2099, the bill would require a photograph plus a thumbprint of applicants.

Contrary to claims in circulating e-mails, however, it would not require applicants to submit to a "mental evaluation at any time of their choosing," Jackson said.

Applicants would have to authorize the release of their mental health records.

Nor would H.R. 45 allow the government to inspect homes for the safekeeping of firearms, though applicants would have to certify they would keep firearms away from those less than 18 years of age.

A spokeswoman for Rep. Rush said H.R. 45 seeks to establish a gun identification number similar to a car's VIN number.

"If you want to have an arsenal, this bill would not keep you from having one," Sharon Jenkins said. "You'd just have to register your guns."

FactCheck.org's Jackson said gun-control rumors began circulating a short time before Barack Obama won the presidency.

"Now we're awash in bogus claims," he said. "There are people out there absolutely convinced that Obama wants to take away their guns, even though he's said over and over that's not the case."

"Maybe it's because Democrats have such a big majority in Congress and are in a position to push through legislation."

For all the fear it has generated, H.R. 45 doesn't seem to be going anywhere.

"Industry and gun owners should not be concerned," Novin said. "H.R. 45 has no co-sponsors and is not a threat to become law."

Jenkins declined to speculate about the bill's chances.

"However, if you know how many people up here are afraid of the gun lobby, that should tell you how much chance this bill has to become law," she said.

People receiving doom-and-gloom e-mails should use their common sense, Jackson said. He noted on FactCheck.org the current rumor went so far as to claim a gun-control law would become public knowledge only "30 days after it (the bill) was passed."

"The claim the Finance Committee can pass this without the Senate voting on it is nonsense, as any high-school civics student should know," he wrote.

Jackson said he doesn't see an elaborate conspiracy behind the Internet rumors.

"These are amateurs with too much time on their hands and not a high regard for factual accuracy," Jackson said.

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OPENING BUCK: Kyle Tomek shot this eight-point buck opening weekend. The deer was Tomek's largest buck and his first deer taken with a bow.

Bow opener

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Crouch is waiting for bigger deer and for the calendar to move. He said mature bucks should start moving about mid-month.

"If someone's wanting a large deer, be patient and be in the woods from about the 15th on," Crouch said. "And don't be afraid to pick up the rattlin' horns."

Crouch hunted the Saturday of opening weekend but skipped Sunday. A hard rain kept him inside.

Crouch was hunting a river bottom on the Salt Fork of the Brazos River, and he was positioned near a food plot and feeder. Acorns have not fallen yet in Young County, Crouch said.

Acorns have hit the ground in Burnet County, said Darrell Brizendine of Bertram.

Brizendine did not see any deer, and deer were not coming to his feeder, he said.

"I really didn't see a lot of anything until yesterday when the rain broke and the sun came out," Brizendine said.

The high Sunday reached 90 degrees, Brizendine said.

Shane Smith had a similar weather report in South Texas.

"Horrible, green, hot, miserable and buggy; that's what my opening weekend was like," Smith said.

Hunting in Webb County, Smith saw three bucks: two 2-year-olds and a 4-year-old 10-point that would have scored 120.

Part of the problem was the "green" part of Smith's answer. Although much of South Texas has been in an extended drought, recent rains have been a boon to plant life. Deer that have been on feed for months "have turned straight to the green stuff," Smith said.

"The deer just don't have to come" to feeders, Smith said.

For Smith, the manager at Freer Deer Camp and Taxidermy, the drought was over, at least for the opening weekend of bow season.

"I felt like I was hunting in the Sumatran jungle it was so humid Saturday morning," he said.

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Texan named Boating Officer of the Year

Smith County game warden honored for initiative, impact

The National Association of State Boating Law Administrators recently presented its national Boating Law Enforcement Officer of the Year award to Texas Game Warden Chris Green, marking the first time the award has gone to a Texan at the national level.

NASBLA presented the award at its 50th annual meeting, held in Corpus Christi.

A native of Duncanville, Green began his TPW career as a game warden cadet in 1993. He is stationed in Smith County, and his patrol area includes popular recreational hot spots such as Lakes Tyler and Palestine and the Neches and Sabine rivers.

Green has helped improve the safety record at area lakes and is passionate about his job, NASBL said in a press release.

Green often volunteers for special assignments to use his expertise in boating issues. In 2008, he logged 352 boat hours, recording 71 citations or warnings.

He also serves as an invited member of a city mayor's roundtable on boating safety. He recently organized boating safety classes at area lakes and conducted programs for area schools, churches and civic groups. He also regularly organizes boat rides for mentally and physically challenged residents in the area.

"Chris is very personal in his approach with media and family members regarding boating accidents (and) fatalities," said Alfonso Campos, who serves as the boat-



WARDEN HONORED: Game Warden Chris Green recently received the national Boating Law Enforcement Officer of the Year award from the National Association of Boating Law Administrators. Green is a warden in Smith County, in East Texas.

ing law administrator for Texas. "Victim family members ... have expressed their appreciation for Chris' compassion and sincerity, saying that he treated them 'like family' during their ordeal."

NASBLA established its Boating Law Enforcement Officer of the Year program in 2000 to celebrate the nation's outstanding marine officers.

This year, 41 officers across the country were nominated for the national award.

— Texas Parks and Wildlife report

Fur prices

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want to see cold weather over there. Fur is actually becoming considered environmentally friendly because the tanning process is a lot less damaging to the environment than making the man-made synthetics. A lot of clothing manufacturers are using more fur for trim and linings."

Concerning the fur market, Hepkor said the lingering drought has not been a major factor in the Texas trade, which is typically a lower-priced region of the country.

"The prices were pretty good about three years ago, but they have fallen," he said.

Bill Applegate, president of the fur trappers association, said the Texas population of fur-bearing predators has nearly reached a peak. Fewer trappers are interested in collecting the animals.

"I sold some coyote skins for \$1 to \$3 last year. It costs me about \$3 in my expenses for each hide," he said. "We are still exporting more furs than we are importing, so the trappers are doing their part to help with the trade balance."

Because of the lack of cold weather, the quality of Texas fur-bearing animals is not as high as those found in the far north, and they bring lower prices from buyers with the North American Fur Auction. Most hides are sold by NAFA in Canada to overseas markets, where they are made into clothing and then shipped back to the United States for retail sales.

Hepkor said the latest market brief lists the price for typical Texas coyote hides at \$8 to \$12; raccoon hides at \$6 to \$13; gray fox hides at \$8 to \$10; and bobcats at \$20 to \$30.

On the bottom end of the list, skunks are selling for \$2 to \$4 each, and possums bring \$1 to \$3 each.

"The Super Select bobcat hides from up north where they are run-



PELT PRICES: Coyote pelts have been averaging \$8 to \$12 in Texas. Furs collected in Texas generally fetch lower prices than animals from colder parts of the country, but hunters can still make a few dollars off of hides.

ning in three feet of snow are bringing in \$200 to \$400," he said.

In other parts of the country, coyote hides can bring in as much as \$22; raccoons top out at \$20; and gray fox hides sell for as high as \$16.

However, while the prices for Texas hides may be down, there is no shortage of animals to be collected, Hepkor said.

"A lot of my work is at large ranches where they are trying to eliminate predators," he said. "We still have a problem with coyotes preying on sheep, goats and even cat-

tle; and anyone with a deer feeder knows how bad raccoons can be."

Hepkor, who is coordinating the group's annual Rendezvous, set for Oct. 16-17 at the Stevenson Center in Junction, said he expects about 300 to 400 members to attend the event despite the depressed fur market.

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Trout

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for the trout to turn back on — I don't know when that will be."

Jay Watkins has been guiding 30 years, and said this has been one of the worst for Rockport trout, causing him to head south.

"I've been asking myself the same question," Watkins said. "I think it's a culmination of a lot of things that all came together this year. We've had increased agriculture to the north, no major storms, a long drought, and Cedar Bayou is closed. And there is an increase every year in fishing pressure. Put all that together and the resident fish get pounded."

The extended drought may not be over, officials said.

Depending on location, the Coastal Bend area has only had 6 to 9 inches of rain for the year, said Dr. Dan Fromme, a Texas AgriLife Extension agronomist based in Corpus Christi. Heavy rains to the north and west last weekend may help.

The average rainfall is about 29 inches in the Corpus Christi area,

Fromme said. "We've got a long way to go before things begin to look hunky-dory down here."

Although many trout anglers traveled to find fish, those staying home found some unusual catches.

"We saw jack crevalle and Spanish mackerel early this year," said Copano Bay guide Alan Skrobarcek. "That was weird. And we saw more sharks (especially blacktips), pompano, and a kid caught a mangrove snapper, which is strange back in the bay."

Biologists say the unusual catches aren't that unusual, given the conditions.

"We've been in a pretty severe drought," said Dr. Paul Montagna, the chairman for ecosystem studies at the Harte Research Institute in Corpus Christi. "When the salinity levels get high, you'll see more ocean-dwelling fish closer to shore."

Some fish thrive, but high salinity levels cause other marine dwellers to struggle.

"When the shrimp move in each fall they look for water with lower salinity," Montagna said. "And oysters become more stressed and less resis-



TROUT WATCH:

Alan Skrobarcek casts in Copano Bay, where anglers reported finding fewer speckled trout this summer. Multiple reasons were offered for the lack of fish. Photo by David J. Sams, Lone Star Outdoor News.

tant to disease when the salinity is high."

Fisher said there is a silver lining,

and trout fishing in the area should improve in the coming years.

"Last year we had a record trout

spawn and this year hasn't been a wipeout at all," he said. "We're seeing very helpful signs this year."



Outdoors News in Brief

Hunter takes 30-point buck in Wisconsin

A Wisconsin man harvested a 30-point buck white-tailed deer recently, according to the *Fond du Lac Reporter*.

The non-typical deer, taken by Wayne Schumacher, 52, of Fond du Lac, sported an inside spread of 20.5 inches and weighed about 225 pounds after being field dressed.

As for a score, estimates were that the deer's antlers would come in at more than 200.

He shot the deer from a tree stand using a bow at about 15 yards, Schumacher told the newspaper. He was hunting with his brother, Pete.

He said other people in the area had seen it, but he never had until seconds before he shot it.

To see a video showing the buck, please visit LSONews.com

— Staff report



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■ See the video: Visit LSONews.com to see video of the 30-point deer.

Berkley coming to Texas for Challenge

The fourth annual Berkley Big Bass Challenge on Lake Fork is set for Oct. 17-18. To support the event, Berkley is bringing the Berkley Experience Trailer and Bass Tank to North Texas.

The trailer stops at Bass Pro Shops in Garland on Oct. 9-11 and Lake Fork Marina on October 16-18 for the tournament.

The trailer is an interactive experience for anglers of all ages and expertise. Whether you are seasoned angler or just starting to fish, the Berkley staff will show you the latest products to help you Catch More Fish.

"The Berkley Experience is for anglers of all ages and skill levels," said Andrew Marks, senior marketing manager for Berkley.

The trailer includes an interactive interior, product demonstrations, knot-tying demonstrations and competitions, along with a Wii fishing game to play for the younger anglers. Special sales and promotions will be offered wherever the Berkley trailer stops.

The Berkley Bass Tank stops at Cabela's in Fort Worth on Oct. 9-11. It offers product demonstrations and pro pointers that are held every hour. The local pro staff will be on hand to answer product questions.

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