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# Dove banding Texas-style



**DOVE DATA:** Officials banded 11,000 doves in Texas this year. Information from bands has shown most birds killed in Texas were raised in Texas or Oklahoma. Photo by David J. Sams.

## Program tags statistics on birds' survival rate

BY CRAIG NYHUS

Hunters are seeing and hearing their friends brag about killing more banded doves this year, in part because more doves have been banded than in past years.

But the experts are hoping for a better response from Texas hunters.

Michael Small, a professor at Texas State University, participated in the banding program. "We banded 8,500 whitewings this year in different areas, 2,500 of which were from a small state park in the Valley."

The banding process uses a wire funnel-trap with two funnels baited with seed and set on the ground. "The birds walk in for the feed and can't get out," Small said.

While mourning doves are entering the fifth year of the banding program, the whitewing program is

only in its second year, and first year of statewide banding.

Texas Parks and Wildlife biologist T. Wayne Schwertner is heading up the program. "We banded nearly 11,000 doves this year statewide, and approximately 2,000 of these were

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## COLLEGE CROWN

### Texas A&M reels in national title

It was a traditional collegiate national championship showdown with teams from the Big 10, Big 12, WAC, Sun Belt and SEC athletic conferences in contention for the title. It was the sport that was somewhat non-traditional — bass fishing.

The Texas A&M team of Justin Rackley and Trevor Knight caught four keeper fish at Lewisville Lake for a final weight of 7.60 pounds to take the national title home to College Station in the second annual BoatU.S. National Collegiate Bass Fishing Championship.

Their total was just enough to edge out Western Kentucky's team of Adam Hock and Nathan Baum, who had 6.72 pounds for the day.

"To win this is awesome," Knight said. "We knew by late morning that this was a tough day, and we were nervous about being one fish short of a limit."



**NATIONAL CHAMPS:** Justin Rackley and Trevor Knight hold Texas A&M's winning trophy. Photo by Fox College Sports.

"And we fished hard," Rackley said. "We caught lots of short fish today, so we stayed optimistic about another keeper fish right up until weigh-in time."

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## American Airlines' firearms embargo to UK still in the bag

### Concerns arise over other airlines following restrictions

BY MARY HELEN AGUIRRE

American Airlines' embargo on transporting firearms in checked baggage on flights in and out of the United Kingdom remains in effect.

"We will continue to work with the National Rifle Association, Safari Club International and other groups

to resolve the issue with the UK," said Tim Wagner, spokesman for the airline. But, he could offer no time frame as to when a shift in policy might be expected.

On Sept. 27, Wagner explained that the new policy resulted from onerous restrictions in the United Kingdom. It was after last year's terrorism scares,

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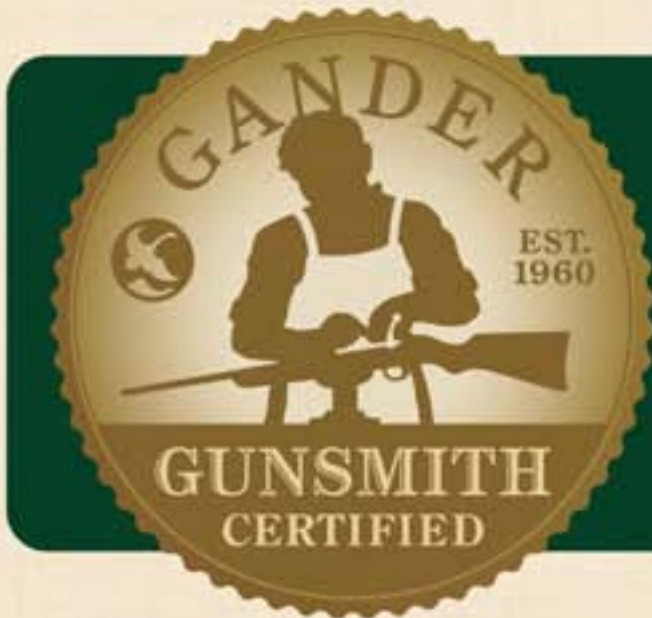
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## CONSERVATION

# USDA: No early outs for reserve program contracts

U.S. Department of Agriculture Acting Secretary Chuck Conner announced there would be no penalty-free early releases from Conservation Reserve Program contracts.

The decision will help maintain critical waterfowl, upland bird and other wildlife habitat.

"We are thrilled that Secretary Conner has affirmed the administration's support for conservation by not allowing these early releases

from CRP contracts," said Ducks Unlimited Executive Vice President Don Young. "This will keep more habitat on the ground for waterfowl, as well as providing economic, and soil and water quality benefits for farmers and ranchers."

Conservation Reserve Program land in the Prairie Pothole Region of Montana and North and South Dakota is some of the most productive waterfowl habitat in the

world.

CRP land in this region contributes more than 2 million ducks annually, the equivalent of the numbers of ducks hunters take in the Atlantic Flyway or the combined annual kill by duck hunters in Texas and Arkansas.

CRP lands also provide key habitat for other wildlife, including pheasant, deer, quail and hundreds of other species.

*A Ducks Unlimited report.*

## 'TREASURES & TRADITIONS'

### Program signals support for hunting, shooting sports

The Hunting Heritage Trust has established "Treasures & Traditions," an online auction program supporting hunting and shooting sports traditions.

The program features weekly online auction of donated firearms, optics, knives and other quality hunting and shooting items, with all proceeds going toward efforts to grow and pro-

tect our nation's hunting and shooting sports heritage.

"Even though the program is just gearing up, we have already received donations of nearly 300 new and used items including more than 50 very nice firearms," said Bob Delfay, President of the Hunting Heritage Trust.

Proceeds from the "Treasures

& Traditions" auctions will be used to support a wide variety of worthwhile organizations and initiatives, including the Hunting Heritage Trust and other hunting and shooting sports groups.

Auction and donation information may be found at [www.huntingheritagetrust.org](http://www.huntingheritagetrust.org).

*A Hunting Heritage Trust report.*

### WMA rededicated in honor of fallen game warden

The Texas Parks and Wildlife site formerly known as the Peach Point Wildlife Management Area near Freeport has been formally rededicated as the "Justin Hurst Wildlife Management Area," in recognition of the former game warden and

wildlife biologist who was killed in the line of duty in March of this year.

A team of employees in the Wildlife and Law Enforcement Divisions, with support from several outside partner groups, planned

and organized the dedication.

The 15,612-acre WMA is known for its lush wetlands and coastal plains harboring waterfowl and numerous aquatic and terrestrial wildlife species.

*A Texas Parks and Wildlife report.*

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# NATIONAL

## Report documents hunting, fishing economic impact

### Outdoorsmen spending \$76 billion a year

A report released by the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation demonstrates that America's 34 million hunters and anglers are among the most prominent and influential of all demographic groups, according to the foundation.

Spending more than \$76 billion dollars a year on hunting and fishing, America's hunters and anglers would rank in the top 20 list on the Fortune 500, a number greater than the revenues of high-tech giants Microsoft, Google, eBay and Yahoo combined.

"While hunting and fishing are generally thought of as just outdoor traditions, they actually comprise an outdoor nation

— both in terms of economic impact, and in turning out the vote on Election Day," said Jeff Crane, president of the foundation. "If the \$76 billion sportsmen spend on hunting and fishing was the gross domestic product of a country, sportsmen as a nation would rank 57th out of 181 countries."

Hunters and anglers directly support 1.6 million jobs and the economic stimulus of hunting and fishing totals \$208 million per day, while spending by sportsmen generates \$25 billion in federal, state and local taxes.

*A Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation report.*

## Cabela's to certify official measurers for SCI

Safari Club International announced that Cabela's has signed a one-year agreement to certify a minimum of 20 Cabela's employees per location as SCI official measurers.

SCI will also bring its staff to selected Cabela's locations for special trophy scoring

events. The first round began Oct. 5 at the Cabela's stores in Boise, Idaho and Lehi, Utah offering official measuring courses, and scoring animals for Cabela's customers. The official measuring courses are open to the public.

*A Safari Club International report.*

## Ohio deer-car collisions total 28,240 in '06

Deer-vehicle accidents increased by 3.3 percent across Ohio in 2006, the Ohio Insurance Institute said in a news release.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol tallied 28,240 reported deer-vehicle collisions, up from 27,337 crashes reported in 2005. Twelve people were killed and 1,024 were injured.

Damage to vehicles averaged \$3,000.

Nationally, Ohio ranked fourth highest for deer crash claims, behind Pennsylvania, Michigan and Illinois.

State wildlife officials estimate Ohio's current deer population at 675,000, up from its 2006 herd estimate of 600,000, despite recent record-breaking harvests during hunting season.

*An Ohio Insurance Institute report.*

## Arkansas wildlife management area to expand

Opportunities for public hunting will be enhanced this fall with the addition of about 2,700 acres of land along lower Richland Creek in Arkansas' Searcy County to the Gene Rush Wildlife Management Area.

All regulations, season dates and bag lim-

its that apply to Gene Rush WMA will apply to the new acquisition, although most improvements for public access and habitat management will not be in place this year. *An Arkansas Game and Fish Commission report.*

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## HUNTING

# Hunter's patience pays off

## San Antonio man lands 7-year-old big buck

BY CRAIG NYHUS

**M**arko Barrett of San Antonio has been patiently observing a giant buck on the family's Las Raices Ranch in Webb County.

Barrett, who manages the native deer herd on the 4,200-acre high-fenced ranch, shot the massive buck on Oct. 1 during the Managed Lands Permit season that allows rifle hunting.

"We've been seeing him for five years," the 29-year old Barrett said. "And he's scored over 200 for two years, but last year he fell below 200 because of the horrible rainfall conditions. But this year we've received 56 inches of rain and he took off."

The 7-year-old buck, shot at 120 yards from a brush blind, wasn't coming to a feeder. "We were fortunate to catch him crossing a road," he said. "We knew he wouldn't come to a feeder, but we did put some alfalfa pellets upwind hoping he would move in our direction."

The hard part was when the deer made it to the sendero and was facing directly toward the brush blind

before he finally turned. "I just looked at my shoes," he said.

Barrett described the management program at the ranch as nothing fancy. "I call it rifle-managed native genetics," he said. "These are all native deer (the ranch has no breeding operation), they were all born here, but we keep other deer out with the high fence. We feed protein year-round, and we use multiple feeders at each location (one for every 160 acres) so the dominant buck won't keep the others from the feed."

When the buck was dropped, Barrett realized how much the antlers had grown.

"Los Cazadores initially scored him at 273 3/8, but there was a deduction because he was in velvet," Barrett said. "But every year when we found his sheds they were all busted up, so I didn't want to wait until he came out of velvet."

The current Los Cazadores score for the buck is 268 6/8.

Barrett was glad his patience was rewarded. "But to our credit, we did let him walk three years when he was over 190," he said. "We have good genes and we got really lucky with this deer."



**NATIVE TEXAS GIANT:** Marko Barrett with his 7-year-old, 34-point buck, scored at 268 6/8, taken during the Managed Lands Permit season in Webb County. Photo by Mark Matthews.

# Deer hunters take a bow on opening day

## Ample food, high grass make deer tough to pattern

BY BILL MILLER

Richard McCarter's older brother pays what McCarter called "big money" to hunt whitetails across the country.

McCarter hunted opening weekend on a friend's 325-acre low-fenced property in McCulloch County. But McCarter won this sibling rivalry when he took a nice buck on Oct. 1 that scored an almost unheard of 174 in the county known for smaller but numerous deer.

McCarter, an avid bowhunter who describes himself as a "scent-freak," had seen the buck on the trail camera the past two years. Unfortunately,

the buck went nocturnal when the archery season opened, and was seen on the cameras with two smaller bucks after 9 p.m. "But Monday evening, one of his running buddies came out first about 7:25 and he came out next," he said. "He went to the feeder but was facing me. Finally, he turned broadside and I took the shot."

The 20-yard shot was pure, and the deer was found 40 yards away.

McCarter said he hasn't heard of a larger low-fenced deer being taken in the county. "It's pretty amazing for a 325-acre, low-fenced property with no protein feeding," he said. "But it goes to show that if you don't shoot 4-year-olds, you can still grow big

deer on 325 acres."

The whitetail population of Texas, in recent years, has been estimated at about 4 million strong; although for many hunters few deer were seen during the opening weekend of the 2007 archery season.

Summer showers fueled tall, thick stands of brush and lots of natural forage, including a bumper crop of acorns across the state, and most hunters didn't share McCarter's great start to the season.

Brian Mannke, president of the Abilene Bowhunters Association, hunted opening weekend in Coleman County. "The deer are all eating acorns; there are acorns every-

See **BOWHUNTERS**, Page 14



**BOW BUCK:** Richard McCarter of Garland took this buck on Oct. 1 in McCulloch County. Photo by Matt McWilliams.

# WEATHER'S WAYS

## La Niña reappears in time for winter

Texas hunters talk about the weather almost as much as they talk about the game they pursue, and many wonder if this is the year they may be able to put their ATV to the test.

One hot weather topic is the annual *Farmers' Almanac* long-range weather predictions, which recently hit the shelves. Some hunters swear by them, while others compare them to horoscopes or tarot cards.

Whatever the beliefs, this winter the *Farmers' Almanac* is calling for a "two-faced season."

"Mother Nature is once again keeping all of us on our toes," said Editor Peter Geiger. "We know she likes to throw curve balls at us from time to time and this winter it looks as though she's going to reveal a possible split personality."

This "two-faced" forecast predicts colder

and wetter than normal conditions for areas east of the Mississippi, but for the western half of the country the winter will be milder than normal, with near or below normal precipitation.

For the Texas-Oklahoma area, the *Almanac* suggests winter temperatures one to two degrees warmer than normal, on average, despite a cold February. Precipitation is predicted to be slightly below normal.

The National Weather Service does issue long-range weather forecasts. But predictions for Texas are tough. "Texas is like having five states at once," said Gene Hafele with the Houston/Galveston NWS.

"The temperature outlook in Texas for October through December is to have above normal temperatures throughout the state. At

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**DIRTY DRIVE:** Hunters are wondering whether wet conditions will continue through hunting season. Forecasters predict a drier than normal winter for much of Texas.

# Dallas Safari Club hires Carter as deputy director

Dallas Safari Club announced the hiring of Ben F. Carter as deputy director, a transitional position prior to taking the helm of staff operations as executive director April 1, 2008.

Carter, a Texas native, is an accomplished international hunter and past president of Dallas Safari Club. Carter will report to Executive Director Gray Thornton during a six-month transition period.

Thornton will remain in his capacity through March 31, 2008 to ensure a smooth leadership change and to lead the Club's January 2008 convention efforts.

"Ben brings a very impressive background to this position," said Club President Bill Swisher. "He has a Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of Texas, with a major in Marketing. He has been a successful independent business owner for over 20 years after working for Burroughs Corporation just out of college."

A lifelong hunter, Ben has taken 25 of the 29 North American species, of which 20 are record-book size; he has taken the Grand Slam of North American Sheep and an African elephant.

Ben has hunted extensively in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Russia and New Zealand and has been on three safaris in Africa," Swisher said. "Ben has served in almost every volunteer management position and com-

mittee in Dallas Safari Club. Besides being president in 2003, and convention chair in 2002, Ben has served the club as chairman of our Summer Blast Sporting Clay events, Auction Committee, Grants Committee, Administrative Committee, Strategic Planning Committee, Nominating Committee and has worked extensively with our youth programs as chair of the shotgun skills team."

"Dallas Safari Club has become an industry leader because of our unique culture, mission focus and dedication to member, donor and exhibitor service," Thornton said. "Ben understands this culture, believes in it and is uniquely qualified to not only maintain the Club's present success and growth but to take our organization to the next level."

"I've worked closely with Ben in the past and I look forward to working with Ben in his new deputy director capacity to ensure that we maintain our program excellence and focus on our conservation, education and ethical hunting advocacy mission. DSC hired the right man and I will be proud to address him as the Club's next executive director."

Carter joined the club's staff Oct. 1.

*A Dallas Safari Club report.*



**NEW DEPUTY:** Ben F. Carter has been named deputy director of the Dallas Safari Club. He will become executive director April 1, 2008. Photo by Glenroy Lodge.

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## FISHING

# Survival of the speckled trout



**ON YOUR WAY:** An angler releases a speckled trout near Rockport. Studies show the trout is likely to survive if it wasn't deeply hooked.

## Catch-and-release studies show high percentage live

BY HAL BROWN

Chances are the speckled trout you hooked while fishing on the Gulf survived if you released it.

Studies by a Texas A&M-Corpus Christi professor show there's an excellent chance it survived after it was removed from the hook.

Specks are the most sought-after sport fish on the coast, with more than a million being harvested every year. Greg Stunz, associate professor

of Marine Biology, completed the second of two catch-and-release studies in July.

The studies show that specks, although technically a weak fish, aren't weak sisters when it comes to surviving the ordeal of being caught.

"Essentially what we found is there is pretty much a 90-percent survival rate under normal fishing practices," Stunz said. "In tournaments the mortality is a little higher, about 30 percent of those fish die from the stress."

The initial study was conducted in

response to Texas Parks and Wildlife regulations limiting anglers to one speck 25 inches or longer per day among their catch. The Coastal Conservation Association was a major contributor to the research.

The results were something of a surprise.

"We didn't find what we thought we would," Stunz said. "We went in thinking we're going to see really high mortality, that 70 or 80 percent would die. It was just the opposite. We had trouble killing the fish,

including some of our early trials when we treated them really bad. Releasing on the spot, in particular, is very low mortality. Even in our studies, we handled them quite a bit and only 10 percent of them died."

Stunz and a crew of anglers of varying skill levels caught 448 fish while wadefishing with conventional tackle from July through September, 2003.

The time period was chosen because the warmest temperatures of the year, lowest dissolved oxygen lev-

els and highest salinities present at those times were presumably the hardest on the fish.

Baits included soft plastic lures, live shrimp and topwater lures, but the choice of bait had little effect on speck survivability.

"The main factor overall was hooking location," Stunz said. "If they swallowed it deep and it hooked down in their gut almost 100 percent of those fish die, even clipping (the bait) short or pulling it out."

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## 'Freakfish' finesse

Angler fishes coastal bottoms for the unusual, lands pending world-record roudi escolar

BY DIANA KUNDE

Corpus Christi angler Eric "Oz" Ozolins has a fondness for dropping his bait down deep just to see what odd fish might hit off the Texas Gulf Coast. One of those tries last July landed him a pending all-tackle world record.

The 27-year-old angler caught a roudi escolar, a subspecies of snake mackerel, while going for swordfish at night on July 22, along the Colt 45 underwater structure.

"While swordfishing, my buddy and hardcore angler Gabe Goodman and I have been known to also drop down squid or other baits all the way to the bottom, targeting tilefish and other 'freakfish' at depths of up to 1400 feet," Ozolins said.

The roudi escolar hit while he was reeling in at about 600 feet.

Another Texas angler, Karrie Ables of Cedar Park, also has a pending world record, according to the International Game and Fish Association. Ables got a 21-pound star-studded grouper off Costa Rica on May 21 for a pending all-tackle new record.

Not too many anglers would recognize a roudi escolar. But luckily for him, Ozolins had taken some marine biology courses at Texas A&M University in Corpus. And Ozolins, a Web designer who owns the site [extremecoast.com](http://extremecoast.com), just likes unusual fish. He's caught a chain cat shark and a smoothhound dogfish shark, among others.

Ozolins said he and a friend had sometimes joked that they might catch an escolar for sushi one night. The current world record is a 1-pound, 5-ounce roudi escolar caught in Jogashima, Japan.

Ozolins knew the 5-pound, 6-ounce fish he pulled in that night was an escolar; he just didn't know what subspecies.

Fisheries biologists with Texas Parks and Wildlife in Rockport said it was fair to say the roudi escolar was "very rarely seen" along the coastal area of Texas.

Ozolins used squid for bait, and braided line on a Tiagra 30 reel, "which provided me with just enough line to hit and fish the bottom as we drifted over the hump" of the Colt 45, he said.

"I knew something had hit, but was mystified by the depth it hit. I figured it must have been a small tuna feeding at a

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**NO ORDINARY CATCH:** Eric "Oz" Ozolins landed this pending world-record roudi escolar using squid for bait. The fish hit at a depth of 600 feet. Photo by IGFA.



## Offshore fishing on the go

### Reports good across board

While many bay fishermen struggled with too much water from all of Texas' heavy rain, offshore fishing often picked up the slack.

"We've had a great year, and we're still catching fish," said Sandy Martin with Dolphin Docks in Port Aransas. "Our last trip brought in snapper to 25 pounds, dolphin, a 69-pound wahoo and two 45-pound kingfish. They also brought in a 163-pound shark."

Martin said the tuna are starting to appear behind the shrimp boats. "The blackfin tuna are starting to come in, and it should



**OFFSHORE ACTION:** Mahi-mahi have been biting with regularity and other offshore species are picking up as the red snapper season winds down.

pick up through October," she said.

Red snapper season closes in federal waters on Oct. 31, but there are still offshore opportunities. "The captains tell me we'll focus on vermilion snapper, tuna, kingfish and shark," she said.

Steve Strohmeier guides private charters out of South Padre Island with 4-5 fishermen. "We've had a good season, and it's still good," he said. "In the clear, green water closer in we're picking off ling and Spanish mackerel, and blackfin tuna and dorado around the shrimp boats."

The bluewater fishing excited Strohmeier. "Last Monday, we caught tons of dorado, a 60-pound wahoo, and plenty of blackfin tuna and smaller wahoo a few miles beyond the shrimp boats. A few weeks ago we

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caught a nice swordfish, and on Saturday we caught a marlin."

Strohmeier expects the good fishing to continue. "There's no way to predict it for sure," he said. "But it should stay good for awhile, there's a good chance we'll catch tuna up to the first week in December."

From Galveston, the Capt. John returned

from a 36-hour trip Oct. 5 with a tuna bonanza, as 33 fishermen boated 165 blackfin tuna up to 18 pounds. The trip, captained by Tony Langston, also brought in snapper limits and 18 Atlantic sharpnose sharks.

Capt. Robert Polson just returned from a trip on the Capt. Casey, also out of Galveston. "They brought in 10 blackfin tuna, an 18-fish kingfish limit, two mahi-mahi, and 12 ling, along with snapper limits," said Alton Jordan who works at Capt. Elliott's. "Previous trips have been doing real well on the mahi-mahi, and the water is still warm, so the snapper are in close."

The total catch weighed 685 pounds, Jordan said. "I know, because I filleted them all."

*From staff reports.*



**SUPER SNOOK:** Shirley Fudge shows her potential state catch-and-release record snook she caught while fishing with Capt. Cliff Fleming. Photo by James Simon.

## Catch-and-release snook record may be short-lived

Joe Jamail's 38 1/2-inch pending catch-and-release snook record is in jeopardy a little more than a month after it was caught.

Shirley Fudge of Elgin was fishing with Capt. Cliff Fleming in Port Isabel. Fudge, who spends six months in Port Isabel each year, was on her first fishing excursion with a guide, although she has made several party boat trips, caught three trout and one of her friends caught a large redfish.

But it was the snook that made the trip. "The fish made a long run in about eight inches of water," Fleming said. "Then it circled the boat three times. She handled it well."

Once the fish, caught on fresh mullet,

was landed, the measuring tape revealed its length at 39 inches. "We're going to submit it for the catch-and-release record," Fleming said.

Fleming guides out of Jim's Pier, where Emilio Villarreal guides as well. Villarreal was the guide on Jamail's trip, and some good-natured ribbing has been taking place.

But the good-natured ribbing didn't stop there. Ms. Fudge, after seeing the Sept. 28 *Lone Star Outdoor News* story on the large snook being caught in the Lower Laguna Madre, including Jamail's record, playfully wrote the editor: "Sorry, Mr. Jamail, but my 39-inch snook beats your 38 1/2."

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# GAME WARDEN BLOTTER

## DON'T KEEP CELL PHONE IN YOUR BACK POCKET

•The Tyler County Sheriff's Office received an inadvertent 911 call from a cell phone. No one was directly on the other end of the call, but the dispatcher overheard people discussing a deer hunting expedition that was "in progress" and heard the gunshots that ultimately killed

a deer. Tyler County Game Warden Bill Zappe called the cell phone and asked, "Hey, this is Bill from Woodville, what are ya'll up to tonight?" The suspects bragged about the stop they had killed earlier in Angelina County. Angelina County Game Warden James

Barge assisted in obtaining a subpoena for the cell phone records, which led to several interviews of suspects at a high school. Confessions were obtained, and seven cases were filed for taking deer in closed season — all from the same pickup truck.

### 17 UNDERSIZED TROUT SEIZED

•Calhoun County Game Warden Mack Chambers received an early-morning call from the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office about some men keeping undersized trout at a local lighted pier. Chambers arrived to talk with the men at Lavaca Bay. Two men were in possession of 17 undersized trout, and one was without a fishing license. The fish were seized. Cases and restitution pending.

### TOO MANY DOVES IN THE BAG LEADS TO 20 CITATIONS

•During the opening weekend of South Zone Dove season in Uvalde County, Game Wardens Dennis Gazaway and Mark McQueary with assistance from Edwards County Game Wardens Cody Hatfield and Shane Holmann came upon 40 hunters. The hunters had killed their bag limit in the morning and were back hunting in the afternoon. They wrote 20 citations for exceeding the bag limit, no hunting license, and other game-related violations.

### NEAR SIDE-SWIPE TURNS INTO DWI 2ND OFFENSE

•Lamb County Game Warden Lance May was turning into a private road and was nearly side-swiped by a vehicle traveling in the opposite direction. May followed the vehicle, which was being driven erratically, and stopped it just outside Littlefield. The driver refused to perform SFSTs because he said he wouldn't pass because he had too much to drink. After being transported to the Lamb County Jail, the driver submitted a breath sample of .160. He was booked for DWI 2nd offense.

### BUT CATFISH DON'T HAVE HAIR

•Dawson County Game Warden Brent Tucker was patrolling for night hunters when he observed a

vehicle acting suspiciously. After observing the vehicle for several miles, it turned around and Tucker was forced to make a stop. The occupants admitted to hunting rabbits from the road using a high-powered rifle in an area known for big mule deer. Samples of blood and hair in the back of the truck were taken, but they appeared to be from rabbit. The occupants claimed it was catfish blood until Tucker pointed out that catfish don't have hair.

### HUNTERS HARASSED FROM HIGH AND LOW

•Game Wardens Travis Allen and Jarret Barker were called to investigate a hunter harassment complaint against a couple that involved the use of an airplane and a truck loaded with an air cannon. The woman would drive down the fence line and point the air cannon at the dove hunters while the man flew his private plane just over the hunters' heads.

### DRIVER RUN DOWN FOR EVADING ARREST, ENDANGERING A CHILD

•Game Warden Craig Hernandez attempted to make contact with an ATV operating on Hwy. 751. The ATV was occupied by one man and two children, ages 3 and 6. The ATV fled and began evading arrest. Hernandez followed the ATV down the highway to a county road. The road dead-ended

where the ATV darted into the woods, and Hernandez could no longer follow by truck. He began chasing the ATV on foot through the woods. The children could be heard screaming and crying. The ATV finally came to a stop on a creek bank in a patch of thorns and briars. Hernandez caught the ATV before it was able to get out. The man was taken into custody on charges of evading arrest on motor vehicle and two counts of endangering a child. The children had cuts on their faces from the thorns and branches.

### BOAT RENTER RUNS OVER MAN FLOATING ON INFLATABLE DEVICE

•Travis County Wardens Turk Jones and Cody Jones responded to a boat accident call on Lake Travis. A rental boat operated by a man was traveling through a no-wake zone at high speed and ran over a 52-year-old man floating on an inflatable device. The victim's leg was severely cut by the prop, and he was taken by helicopter to Brackenridge Hospital. The operator was arrested for Class B reckless operation of a motorboat with excessive speed causing serious bodily injury. Alcohol was not a factor in the case, but the operator did say in his statement that he had never operated a motorboat before and was given a few minutes of instruction by the rental company prior to leaving the

dock. The injured man was expected to lose his leg. Case pending.

### ANGLERS TRY TO HIDE OVERSIZED RED DRUM UNDER SPARE TIRE

•Nueces County Game Wardens received numerous calls on individuals keeping several oversized red drum off the Port Aransas jetties. Warden Jimmy Lindsey walked the jetties in plain clothes. Once the violations were observed and noted, Lindsey notified Nueces County wardens Chuck Ford, Cres Caro and Scott Lindner, who were in various hidden spots away from the jetties. As each violator group departed the jetties by vehicle, they were stopped and issued citations by uniformed game wardens. Numerous large oversized redfish were confiscated from the violators. Some of the violators went to extreme measures to conceal their large catches. The wardens watched with night vision goggles and observed groups trying to hide fish under spare tires in the trunks of cars. Numerous citations were issued.

### LARGE GROUP CAUGHT HUNTING AFTER LEGAL HOURS

•Wichita County Game Wardens Pat Canan and Luett McMahan, and Clay County Game Warden Eddie Hood cited seven hunters for hunting doves after legal hours in Clay County. An outfitter had a

large group of hunters hunting a roost area as the birds started coming in at sunset. As the wardens came into the area, the outfitter started warning his hunters to leave. Case pending.

### FOUR ARRESTED TAKING GAME BY ILLEGAL MEANS

•Chambers County Game Warden Jason Francis seized two gill nets after observing four people fishing with nets in Trinity Bay, and they had caught a variety of fish ranging from nongame fish to red drum. The four were arrested and charged with possession of an illegal fishing device on coastal waters and for taking game fish by illegal means. Cases and restitution pending.

### IT WAS LIKE SHOOTING DOVES ON A POWER LINE

•After a heavy rain, Ellis County Game Warden Jeff Powell decided to sit on a road that had many doves on the power lines. In less than 30 minutes he observed and caught two different vehicles shooting from the roadway at the doves. Multiple cases pending.

### INCIDENT ADDS TO LONG LIST OF ATVS SEIZED, RECOVERED

•Montgomery County Wardens Brannon Meinkowsky and Dean Fitzpatrick apprehended eight people for trespassing. The eight had driven two ATVs and a 4x4 truck through a cut fence in order to go mudding on the property. Nine citations and two warnings were issued in addition to recovering a stolen 2002 Yamaha ATV. Cases pending. District 1 wardens have recovered and/or seized nearly 20 ATVs this year, with the majority of them being recovered in Montgomery County. Most were stolen from hunters, fishermen or outdoorsmen.

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## Bowhunters

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where," he said. "You think you've found a good place to set up, and you see them with your glasses feeding a few hundred yards away. The next day, you move to that area and they're still a few hundred yards away."

Clint Montgomery, president of Dallas-based Texins Archery Club, hunted opening weekend in Jack County.

"We had a full moon so basically animals were feeding at night," he said.

But Michael Pointer of Abilene hunted with friends in Reynolds County, and took a 10-point buck on Oct. 4 that they scored at 136. "We have tons of deer, and they are still coming to the feeders," he said. "My friend took a nice 8-pointer."

The high grass in the area presented problems after the hunt. "We have four feet of broomweed," Pointer said. "The bucks were damn hard to find."

Clayton Wolf, director of TPW's big game program, explained that succulent forbs and weeds that usually wither by midsummer

have hung around because of the extra rain.

"They're kind of like the tomato plants in my garden," he said. "Those normally burn off by now, but they're still producing."

Wolf added that locating food sources and bedding areas will reveal deer patterns.

"If there are oaks with acorns on them, it's pretty guaranteed that is where the deer are going to show up," Wolf said.

While the extra forage is great for deer, it can be tough for hunters who like to set up over feeders.

"Our customers are saying that the feeders that have been running all year are still attracting deer," said Rick Rivard of Spin-Cast Feeders in San Antonio. "But the people who recently started to feed aren't seeing the deer."

To sink a broadhead under these conditions, hunters should rethink tactics, said Edward Vargas of Sure Shot Archery in Humble.

"They've got to get off their feeders and go find the deer," Vargas said. "It just takes a little more leg work, a little more scouting."

Nearly all of the deer hunters remain optimistic. "I watched from a box blind and the does looked real healthy, and there were bucks of both quantity and quality," Montgomery said.

**'The deer are all eating acorns, there are acorns everywhere.'**

— BRIAN MANNKE

## Weather

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the same time the western half of the state is expected to have below normal rainfall while the eastern half of the state is expected to receive near normal rainfall."

Hafele said La Niña is to blame. "The main item that will be influencing Texas weather during the remainder of 2007 will be the continuing development of a La Niña," he said. "La Niña is when the waters in the equatorial Pacific are cooler than normal. When this condition exists the jet stream across North America is displaced to the north during the

winter months and the southwestern United States will normally experience drier than normal conditions and above normal temperatures. This does not mean that we will not have any cold spells or periods of wet weather, but overall the conditions will be drier and warmer than normal."

Last year, the *Farmers' Almanac* called for a cold winter, making "Shivery is Not Dead" the motto for the year. Despite a warm start to the winter, the *Almanac* claims its predictions were right on during the latter half of the season.

For most Texas hunters, last year's weather is a distant memory. And they know that predicting their hunting success each season is almost like predicting the weather.

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## Stringer wins Bass Fishing League event on Sam Rayburn

Bradley Stringer of Huntington won the Wal-Mart Bass Fishing League Cowboy Division Super Tournament on Sam Rayburn Reservoir with a two-day catch of 10 bass weighing 29 pounds, 12 ounces.

Stringer caught his bass throwing a worm Texas-rigged near bumps and creek beds.

Rounding out the top five boaters were Tommy Howard of Brookeland, (eight bass, 27-08);

Chris McCall of Jasper, (10 bass, 26-15); Lindy Hadley of Sam Rayburn, (nine bass, 26-01); and Brandon Crouch of Buna, (10 bass, 25-15).

Robert Hill of Fort Worth was the co-angler winner thanks to seven bass weighing 24 pounds, 4 ounces that he caught while fishing a crankbait in 4 to 6 feet of water near brush piles.

*An FLW Outdoors report.*

## Specks

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"Leaving it in is the best case, but even those fish where you left it in would behave fine for four or five hours but they would die after that. If you're going to keep fish you should probably keep those that are deep-hooked because more than likely they're not going to make it."

Fish hooked in the esophagus died 95 percent of the time. Gill-hooked specks died 75 percent of the time. Fish that were hooked in the mouth fared better, with 10-percent mortality, and fish snagged on the body died only 8 percent of the time.

The second study was conducted over the course of 10 fishing tournaments in Galveston, Matagorda and Aransas Bays and the upper Laguna Madre from February, 2004 to April, 2006. Most fish were hooked in the mouth (86 percent), followed by the esophagus (9 percent) and 2.5 percent both for the gills and external hooking.

Anglers brought in 1,442 fish, of which 1,091 were released alive.

Overall 19 percent of the fish caught in the tournaments died. Wadefishing tournaments were harder on the fish, with a 26.2-percent

mortality overall. Most fish that died, died in the first 48 hours, and no fish died after the 48-hour period.

Fish size had no correlation to their survivability; larger fish fared as well as smaller individuals, the study indicated. Water temperatures above 85 degrees also translate to higher post-release mortality among trout, Stunz said.

"These results suggest that tournament-related initial and delayed (post-tournament) mortality rates are low considering the amount of handling that occurs," Stunz concluded in the study. "This is encouraging for the continued support of live-release fishing tournaments. However, seasonal data suggest that tournaments should be held during the fall, winter and early spring months to reduce mortality."

Next up are studies on other species.

"We're starting a project now on red drum, particularly looking at the mortality from redfish tournaments," Stunz said.

"Redfish and flounder, in my opinion, are much more hardy than spotted seatrout. We don't have any real scientific evidence of that; that's just from what we've seen in working with them the limited amount that we have. I expect even higher survival rates with redfish and flounder."

## Huckaby scores first BASS win

Charging up from third place, 41-year-old hunting outfitter and lodge owner Trent Huckaby of Fort Stockton pulled off his first BASS win at the Bassmaster Central Open season finale on Lake Amistad.

Huckaby's tournament total of 53 pounds, 12 ounces was enough to top Robert McFarlane of San Antonio, who finished with 52 pounds, 9 ounces.

Bassmaster Elite Series pro Jami Fralick of Martin, S.D., finished third with 51 pounds, 10 ounces. Doug Garrett of Cabot, Ark., was fourth with 51 pounds, 5 ounces and fifth place went to Mike Bates of Canyon Lake with 49 pounds, 7 ounces.

Huckaby said his "confidence" bait was a 1 1/4-ounce Oldham's Jig in a camo finish rigged with a Twin Tail Bass Pro Shops grub in a smoke

color with a copper flake.

"I thought I was being hard-headed to drop a jig in grass," he said. "There's very little grass in Amistad now, and the fish aren't bunched up like they normally are."

McFarlane advanced from 10th place to secure his best finish in a BASS event. The key was consistency with the same pattern: targeting suspended bass in small holes of "an underwater forest of trees."

In the co-angler division, Gennaro "Jerry" DiCola of Bedford moved up from fourth place to win with 36 pounds, 11 ounces.

For some pros, the Central Open meant achieving a higher goal, qualifying for the 2008 Bassmaster Classic.

Elite Series pro Dave Wolak of Wake Forest, N.C., qualified by leading the Central Open points

standings.

Clark Wolak of Russellville, Ark. and Jay Fuller of Kingston, Okla. also qualified to be among the 36 pros to compete for the \$500,000 first prize of the Classic, set for Feb. 22-24, 2008 on Lake Hartwell in Greenville, S.C.

Wolak gained his third Classic berth, which he narrowly missed securing in 2007 through the Bassmaster Elite Series. "This year I was almost the first person out," said Wolak, who was the 2005 Toyota Rookie of the Year. "It was one of the most disappointing things of my career last year being at the Classic, but not being in it. Making it this year is awesome."

Fuller, 24, who works for a Lake Texoma marina, competed this year for the first time as a pro. *An ESPN Outdoors report.*

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# Briefs

## U.S. hunters forced to dump birds at border

More than 4,000 wild game birds were taken by U.S. officials from American hunters as they returned from hunting trips to Saskatchewan, Canada. After an outbreak of avian flu on a chicken farm in the province, the U.S. Department of Agriculture required U.S. customs agents to confiscate coolers filled with game birds at border crossings.

The USDA's Animal Plant Health Inspection Service banned all imports of poultry and "unprocessed avian products" from Saskatchewan after an outbreak of avian influenza H7N3 on a commercial chicken farm near Regina.

U.S. customs agents were told the ban included hunter-killed birds, and hunters were forced to give up birds at border crossings in Montana, North Dakota and Minnesota from Sept. 27 - 29, before USDA officials rescinded the order on hunter-killed birds.

"Biologically, it makes no sense whatsoever," Michael Chamberlain, a professor at Louisiana State University told

the *St. Paul Pioneer-Express* in an interview. "They were saying you can't transport a hunter-killed bird across the border, when millions of birds are migrating across the border already."

*From staff reports.*

## Building a bridge and improving wildlife habitat at the same time

As part of a project to construct a bridge over the Missouri River near Yankton, S.D., the Nebraska Department of Roads removed sediment from a riverside channel resulting in restored habitat benefiting fish and wildlife species.

The NDOR is replacing the aging Meridian Bridge, previously built in the 1920s, with a new Highway 81 bridge over the Missouri River. Since a large quantity of fill material was needed to construct a new approach to the bridge from the Nebraska side of the river, the NDOR proposed to get the fill material from a remnant side channel located upstream of the new bridge.

Removal of the channel sediment creates backwater that

improves habitat for the federally endangered pallid sturgeon and for other fish and wildlife. Long-range plans are to fully restore the backwater to a flowing side channel.

"This is a great example of agency cooperation resulting in benefits to all involved," said Bob Harms, a biologist with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Grand Island, Neb.

"Construction of a bridge could potentially have negative effects on surrounding fish and wildlife habitat, but, in this instance, it will actually improve habitat."

The NDOR worked with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, Nebraska Game and Parks Commission, South Dakota Department of Game, Fish, and Parks, South Dakota Department of Transportation, and the Federal Highway Administration to minimize the impact on fish and wildlife resources, to develop an environmentally friendly bridge construction plan and minimize the effect on threatened and endangered species.

*A U.S. Fish and Wildlife report.*



**SCALE BUSTER:** Karrie Ables of Cedar Park caught this pending world-record, star-studded grouper while fishing off the coast of Costa Rica. Photo by IGFA.

# College

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The pair caught two of their fish on a small finesse soft plastic worm, one on a white tube and one on a jig. Their biggest fish of the day, a 3-pounder, was the first keeper caught and it came around 8 a.m.

Rounding out the top five teams who advanced to the third and final day of the championship were the University of Alabama team of Rusty Jones and Daniel Statum, the University of Wisconsin's Madison's Derek and Drew Frederixon, and Louisiana Tech's Chase Cates and Blake Snow.

The five teams had qualified for the final round by having the highest cumulative weights after the first two days of competition. Their weights were zeroed to start the last

day.

The Texas A&M team took home a \$14,000 scholarship check to their fishing club. Western Kentucky was awarded \$8,000; Alabama, \$5,000; Wisconsin-Madison received \$3,000; and Louisiana Tech took home \$2,000.

The championship had a total of 83 teams from 48 schools of all sizes and conferences from across the country participating.

*A Fox College Sports report.*

# 'Freakfish'

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very deep depth," he said. "Closer to the surface I got it, still fighting, and we finally got our first glimpse of it." One of his friends yelled, "escolar!"

But what kind of escolar? Ozolins went on-line and identified his catch as a roudi escolar. He had it verified by an A&M biologist

to apply for a state record. Then a fishing buddy researched the current world record — and Ozolins knew he had a contender.

Ozolins describes his catch as "very predator-like, with fang-like teeth similar to a barracuda, with very large eyes. The texture was like that of a mackerel, with a metallic grayish-tan color, and an elongated body that was built for speed."

"Overall," he said, "a very beautiful yet freakish-looking creature."



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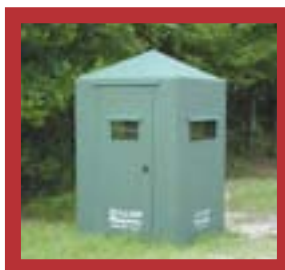


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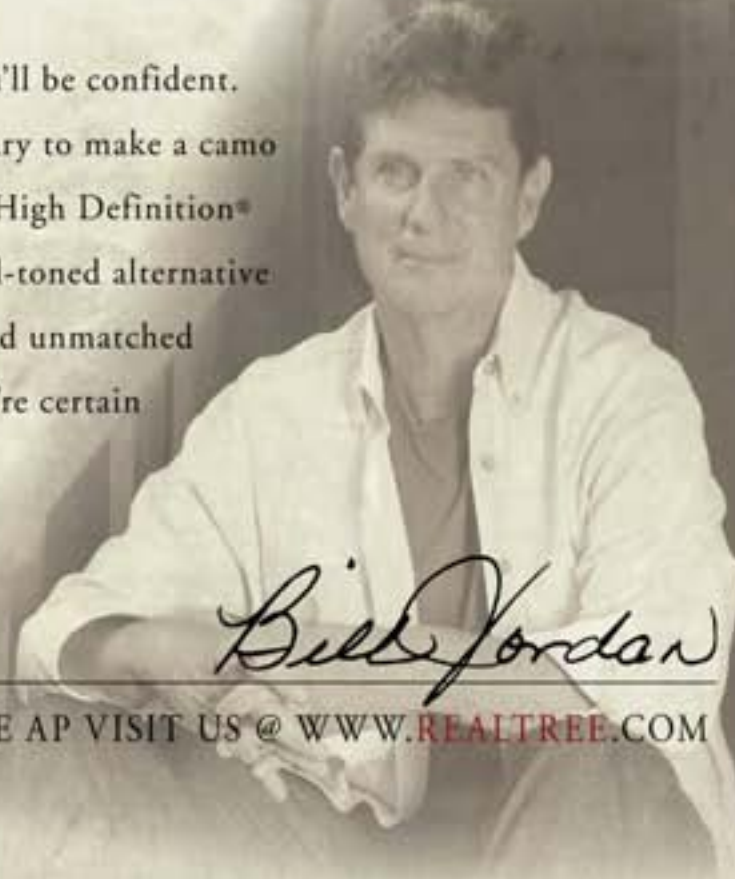


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# Texas bighorn sheep population flourishing

## Texas Bighorn Society inducted into Conservation Hall of Fame

Bighorn sheep populations in West Texas continue to climb toward levels not seen in more than 100 years. In August, biologists observed 991 bighorns along the seven Trans-Pecos mountain ranges, an increase of 169 animals from a year ago.

"It's still kind of hard to believe," said Mike Pittman, who oversees the three state wildlife management areas that form the nucleus of Texas' bighorn sheep program. "We used to bust our tails trying to see 100 sheep in the Sierra Diablo Mountains because that meant we had what we considered a viable population."

This year's survey recorded more than 400 bighorn sheep in the Sierra Diablos, birthplace of the restoration effort more than 60 years ago after more than 11,000 acres were acquired by the state as a sanctuary for the last remaining bighorn.

The desert bighorn sheep was once prominent in the remote mountains of West Texas, with populations of more than 1,500 animals in the late 1800s. Due largely to unregulated hunting, bighorn numbers dwindled to about 500, according to surveys conducted in 1903.

Protective measures for bighorn sheep began as early as 1903 with the enactment of a hunting prohibition; however, changing land use caused numbers to decline to an estimated 35 sheep by 1945. The last reported sighting of a native bighorn sheep occurred in October 1958 on the Sierra Diablo WMA.

Biologists believe the last native Texas bighorns were gone by the early 1960s.

With the help of private landowners willing to protect bighorns and their habitat on their ranches, support from the Texas Bighorn Society and hunters, the desert bighorn sheep has made a comeback. Stocking of sheep obtained from other western states during the last two decades and transplanting animals into suitable habitat have nudged the natural recovery process.

The Texas Bighorn Society was inducted as one of the first two members of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Conservation Hall of Fame on Oct. 5 at the EXPO Conservation Hall of Fame Celebration benefiting the Texas Parks and Wildlife Foundation.

"It's been a long, slow progression," said Pittman. "Bighorn sheep do not typically disperse as their populations grow, so expansion into new areas has taken time. But we're seeing a little movement."

One threat to the bighorn sheep that hasn't gone away ironically comes from another sheep. The aoudad, or Barbary sheep, is an exotic species imported into Texas from northern Africa coincidentally about the same time the last known native bighorn sheep disappeared.

According to Pittman, aoudads aggressively compete with bighorns, and mule deer for that matter, for precious water and food supplies. They also carry diseases



**BIGHORN NUMBERS GROWING:** The desert bighorn sheep has made a comeback. Biologists observed 991 bighorns along the seven Trans-Pecos mountain ranges. Photo by Texas Parks and Wildlife.

transmissible to bighorn sheep and will attempt to herd away bighorn ewes.

Surplus bighorn rams are identified by wildlife biologists during population surveys, and a select few hunting permits are made available. "When a ram is seven to 10

years of age, we start to see changes in his behavior," Pittman said. "He becomes more reclusive from the herd and his physical appearance may be deteriorating. We know that he's already contributed to the herd for several years. That's what we consider a surplus animal."

This year 13 harvestable surplus rams have been identified by biologists, a new record high. Ten of the permits were issued to private landowners and three hunts will occur on TPW managed lands.

*A Texas Parks and Wildlife report.*

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# Banding

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mourning doves," he said. "We're starting to get reports in from hunters, but most of the data from this year will come in after the season."

Texas is participating with 28 other states in banding studies, after seeing a drop in survival rates of mourning doves from the 1960s and 1970s. "We've seen a 10-percent drop in survival rates," said Jay Roberson, TPW small game program leader. "The information will help us determine what numbers of the birds are being taken by hunters. But the key pieces of information come from hunters reporting the bands from the birds they harvest."

Roberson is concerned with the low reporting rates in Texas, and the reasons why remain a mystery. "In the northern states, 80 percent of the bands are reported," he said. "In Oklahoma and Texas, the reporting percentage is 30 percent."

Roberson and Schwertner believe part of the low reporting numbers is that doves don't recognize international borders. "Quite a few are going to Mexico," Schwertner said. "We have reports of 16 bands recovered from birds we banded close to the border, and only two from Mexico. That tells us more of those birds are probably being taken in Mexico and going unreported."

"We're trying to get Mexico on line with the banding program," Roberson said. "They are sub-permitted with the bird banding lab in Maryland."

The banding program also has confirmed what many biologists thought about doves harvested in Texas. "Most of the birds shot in Texas are Texas and Oklahoma birds," Schwertner said.

"Especially in the Central and South Zones. Most of the Texas birds migrate within the state."

Some bands have been recovered in odd places, like South Dakota and even Canada. "There are some birds, mostly young birds, that just fly any direction until they meet up with a large group," Schwertner said. "After they get with a group, they resume the normal migration pattern."

But birds from the north migrate much farther. "Birds from the Dakotas and other states up north end up in Mexico or Central America," he said. "The birds that nest the farthest north travel the farthest south."

Banding results reported to *Lone Star Outdoor News* from this year have been Texas birds as well. A whitewing shot near Waco was banded this year in the area. Another shot near San Angelo was banded last year near Mason.

Roberson and Schwertner hope the reporting numbers will improve. "We don't have a culture in Texas for reporting dove bands, yet," Schwertner said. "We're hoping to change that."

"A 10-percent increase in reporting would make a huge difference," Roberson said. "We have to put on 10 times as many bands as other states to get the same amount of information."

Texas State's Small is often regarded as the top white-winged dove expert in the state, and would like to perform more studies. "I would like to study whether whitewings hurt the mourning dove population through competition," he said. "Or whether they actually help the mourning doves by alleviating some of the hunting pressure on them."

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**FIT FOR DATA:** Reported dove bands, above, provide biologists with important information about dove populations. At left, three whitewings in a funnel trap were later banded. Photo by Michael Small.

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### MOON PHASES

New Oct 11	First Oct 19	Full Oct 25	Last Nov 1
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### SOLAR TABLE Major/Minor periods:

	Houston	Dallas	San Antonio	Amarillo
10/10	11:13a/5:03a	7:40p/1:27p	11:19a/5:09a	7:46p/1:33p
10/11	11:33p/5:23p	8:01a/1:48a	11:39p/5:29p	8:07a/1:54a
10/12	11:53a/5:43a	8:26p/2:13p	11:59a/5:49a	8:32p/2:19p
10/13	—6:03p	8:45a/2:33a	—6:09p	8:51a/2:39a
10/14	12:14a/6:26a	9:09p/2:57p	12:20a/6:32a	9:15p/3:03p
10/15	12:37p/6:48p	9:27a/3:15a	12:43p/6:54p	9:33a/3:21a
10/16	1:02a/7:13a	9:52p/3:39p	1:08a/7:19a	9:58p/3:45p
10/17	1:25p/7:36p	10:11a/3:58a	1:31p/7:42p	10:17a/4:04a
10/18	1:52a/8:04a	10:36p/4:24p	1:58a/8:10a	10:42p/4:30p
10/19	2:16p/8:28p	10:59a/4:46a	2:22p/8:34p	10:57p/4:52a
10/20	2:45a/8:58a	11:26p/5:13p	2:51a/9:04a	2:45a/5:19p
10/21	3:10p/9:23p	11:54a/5:39a	3:16p/9:29p	3:10p/5:45a
10/22	3:41a/9:53a	—6:09p	3:47a/9:59a	3:41a/6:15p
10/23	4:06p/10:19p	12:25a/6:41a	4:12p/10:25p	4:06p/6:47a
10/24	4:36a/10:49a	12:56p/7:12p	4:42a/10:55a	4:36a/7:18p
10/25	5:02p/11:15p	1:06a/7:22a	5:08p/11:21p	5:02p/7:28a
10/26	5:31a/11:44a	1:38p/7:54p	5:37a/11:50a	5:31a/8:00p
10/27	5:57p/—	1:43a/7:59a	6:03p/—	5:57p/8:05a
10/28	6:24a/12:10a	2:15p/8:31p	6:30a/12:16a	6:24a/8:17p
10/29	6:50p/12:37p	2:53a/9:09a	6:56p/12:43p	6:50p/9:15a
10/30	7:14a/1:02a	3:24p/9:40p	7:20a/1:08a	7:14a/9:46p

### TIDES

	High	Low	High	Low	Freeport	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	
<b>Sabine Pass</b>														
10/10	2:48 a.m.	9:56 a.m.	4:03 p.m.	10:22 p.m.	10/10	2:49 a.m.	9:26 a.m.	4:04 p.m.	9:52 p.m.	10/10	2:57 a.m.	9:04 a.m.	4:12 p.m.	9:30 p.m.
10/11	2:51 a.m.	10:18 a.m.	4:58 p.m.	10:50 p.m.	10/11	2:52 a.m.	9:48 a.m.	4:59 p.m.	10:20 p.m.	10/11	3:00 a.m.	9:26 a.m.	5:07 p.m.	9:58 p.m.
10/12	2:51 a.m.	10:42 a.m.	5:51 p.m.	11:19 p.m.	10/12	2:52 a.m.	10:12 a.m.	5:52 p.m.	10:49 p.m.	10/12	3:00 a.m.	9:50 a.m.	6:00 p.m.	10:27 p.m.
10/13	2:45 a.m.	11:11 a.m.	6:44 p.m.	11:49 p.m.	10/13	2:46 a.m.	10:41 a.m.	6:45 p.m.	11:19 p.m.	10/13	2:54 a.m.	10:19 a.m.	6:53 p.m.	10:57 p.m.
10/14	2:28 a.m.	11:43 a.m.	7:41 p.m.	—	10/14	2:29 a.m.	11:13 a.m.	7:42 p.m.	11:47 p.m.	10/14	2:37 a.m.	10:51 a.m.	7:50 p.m.	11:25 p.m.
10/15	2:06 a.m.	12:17 a.m.	8:51 p.m.	12:21 p.m.	10/15	2:07 a.m.	11:51 a.m.	8:52 p.m.	—	10/15	2:15 a.m.	11:29 a.m.	9:00 p.m.	11:47 p.m.
10/16	2:01 a.m.	12:39 a.m.	—	1:05 p.m.	10/16	2:02 a.m.	12:09 a.m.	—	12:35 p.m.	10/16	2:10 a.m.	12:13 p.m.	—	—
10/17	2:11 a.m.	1:58 p.m.	—	—	10/17	2:12 a.m.	1:28 p.m.	—	—	10/17	2:20 a.m.	1:06 p.m.	—	—
10/18	2:25 a.m.	2:59 p.m.	—	—	10/18	2:26 a.m.	2:29 p.m.	—	—	10/18	2:34 a.m.	2:07 p.m.	—	—
10/19	2:07 a.m.	4:07 p.m.	—	—	10/19	2:08 a.m.	3:37 p.m.	—	—	10/19	2:16 a.m.	3:15 p.m.	—	—
10/20	1:30 a.m.	5:15 p.m.	—	—	10/20	1:31 a.m.	4:45 p.m.	—	—	10/20	1:39 a.m.	4:44 p.m.	—	—
10/21	1:27 a.m.	6:21 p.m.	—	—	10/21	1:28 a.m.	5:51 p.m.	—	—	10/21	1:36 a.m.	5:29 p.m.	—	—
10/22	1:28 a.m.	7:43 a.m.	11:55 a.m.	7:22 p.m.	10/22	1:29 a.m.	7:13 a.m.	11:56 a.m.	6:52 p.m.	10/22	1:37 a.m.	6:51 a.m.	12:04 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
10/23	1:32 a.m.	7:56 a.m.	1:31 p.m.	8:21 p.m.	10/23	1:33 a.m.	7:26 a.m.	1:32 p.m.	7:51 p.m.	10/23	1:41 a.m.	7:04 a.m.	1:40 p.m.	7:29 p.m.
10/24	1:37 a.m.	8:28 a.m.	2:51 p.m.	9:20 p.m.	10/24	1:38 a.m.	7:58 a.m.	2:52 p.m.	8:50 p.m.	10/24	1:46 a.m.	7:36 a.m.	3:00 p.m.	8:28 p.m.
10/25	1:42 a.m.	9:07 a.m.	4:03 p.m.	10:19 p.m.	10/25	1:43 a.m.	8:37 a.m.	4:04 p.m.	9:49 p.m.	10/25	1:51 a.m.	8:15 a.m.	4:12 p.m.	9:27 p.m.
10/26	1:48 a.m.	9:49 a.m.	5:11 p.m.	11:18 p.m.	10/26	1:49 a.m.	9:19 a.m.	5:12 p.m.	10:48 p.m.	10/26	1:57 a.m.	8:57 a.m.	5:20 p.m.	10:26 p.m.
10/27	1:53 a.m.	10:36 a.m.	6:19 p.m.	—	10/27	1:54 a.m.	10:06 a.m.	6:20 p.m.	11:51 p.m.	10/27	2:02 a.m.	9:44 a.m.	6:28 p.m.	11:29 p.m.
10/28	1:55 a.m.	12:21 a.m.	7:31 p.m.	11:27 a.m.	10/28	1:56 a.m.	10:57 a.m.	7:32 p.m.	—	10/28	2:04 a.m.	10:35 a.m.	7:40 p.m.	—
10/29	8:51 p.m.	12:22 p.m.	—	—	10/29	8:52 p.m.	11:52 a.m.	—	—	10/29	9:00 p.m.	11:30 a.m.	—	—
10/30	10:24 p.m.	1:24 p.m.	—	—	10/30	10:25 p.m.	12:54 p.m.	—	—	10/30	10:33 p.m.	12:32 p.m.	—	—
<b>Port Bolivar</b>					<b>Pass Cavallo</b>					<b>South Padre Island</b>				
10/10	5:03 a.m.	10:43 a.m.	6:18 p.m.	11:09 p.m.	10/10	4:06 a.m.	9:14 a.m.	5:21 p.m.	9:40 p.m.	10/10	2:22 a.m.	8:55 a.m.	4:27 p.m.	10:51 p.m.
10/11	5:06 a.m.	11:05 a.m.	7:13 p.m.	11:37 p.m.	10/11	4:09 a.m.	9:36 a.m.	6:16 p.m.	10:08 p.m.	10/11	1:50 a.m.	9:20 a.m.	5:30 p.m.	—
10/12	5:06 a.m.	11:29 a.m.	8:06 p.m.	—	10/12	4:09 a.m.	10:00 a.m.	7:09 p.m.	10:37 p.m.	10/12	6:29 p.m.	9:45 a.m.	—	—
10/13	5:00 a.m.	12:06 a.m.	8:59 p.m.	11:58 a.m.	10/13	4:03 a.m.	10:29 a.m.	8:02 p.m.	11:07 p.m.	10/13	7:30 p.m.	10:12 a.m.	—	—
10/14	4:43 a.m.	12:36 a.m.	9:56 p.m.	12:30 p.m.	10/14	3:46 a.m.	11:01 a.m.	8:59 p.m.	11:35 p.m.	10/14	8:38 p.m.	10:43 a.m.	—	—
10/15	4:21 a.m.	1:04 a.m.	11:06 p.m.	1:08 p.m.	10/15	3:24 a.m.	11:39 a.m.	10:09 p.m.	11:57 p.m.	10/15	9:57 p.m.	11:19 a.m.	—	—
10/16	4:16 a.m.	1:26 a.m.	—	1:52 p.m.	10/16	3:19 a.m.	12:23 p.m.	—	—	10/16	11:17 p.m.	12:03 p.m.	—	—
10/17	4:26 a.m.	2:45 p.m.	—	—	10/17	3:29 a.m.	1:16 p.m.	—	—	10/17	—	12:55 p.m.	—	—
10/18	4:40 a.m.	3:46 p.m.	—	—	10/18	3:43 a.m.	2:17 p.m.	—	—	10/18	12:16 a.m.	1:56 p.m.	—	—
10/19	4:22 a.m.	4:54 p.m.	—	—	10/19	3:25 a.m.	3:25 p.m.	—	—	10/19	12:56 a.m.	3:03 p.m.	—	—
10/20	3:45 a.m.	6:02 p.m.	—	—	10/20	2:48 a.m.	4:33 p.m.	—	—	10/20	1:20 a.m.	4:14 p.m.	—	—
10/21	3:42 a.m.	7:08 p.m.	—	—	10/21	2:45 a.m.	5:39 p.m.	—	—	10/21	1:32 a.m.	5:27 p.m.	—	—
10/22	3:43 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	2:10 p.m.	8:09 p.m.	10/22	2:46 a.m.	7:01 a.m.	1:13 p.m.	6:40 p.m.	10/22	1:34 a.m.	7:31 a.m.	11:38 a.m.	6:42 p.m.
10/23	3:47 a.m.	8:43 a.m.	3:46 p.m.	9:08 p.m.	10/23	2:50 a.m.	7:14 a.m.	2:49 p.m.	7:39 p.m.	10/23	1:27 a.m.	7:25 a.m.	1:41 p.m.	8:03 p.m.
10/24	3:52 a.m.	9:15 a.m.	5:06 p.m.	10:07 p.m.	10/24	2:55 a.m.	7:46 a.m.	4:09 p.m.	8:38 p.m.	10/24	1:10 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	3:15 p.m.	9:36 p.m.
10/25	3:57 a.m.	9:54 a.m.	6:18 p.m.	11:06 p.m.	10/25	3:00 a.m.	8:25 a.m.	5:21 p.m.	9:37 p.m.	10/25	12:39 a.m.	8:18 a.m.	4:38 p.m.	—
10/26	4:03 a.m.	10:36 a.m.	7:26 p.m.	—	10/26	3:06 a.m.	9:07 a.m.	6:29 p.m.	10:36 p.m.	10/26	5:56 p.m.	8:58 a.m.	—	—
10/27	4:08 a.m.	12:05 a.m.	8:34 p.m.	11:23 a.m.	10/27	3:11 a.m.	9:54 a.m.	7:37 p.m.	11:39 p.m.	10/27	7:15 p.m.	9:43 a.m.	—	—
10/28	4:10 a.m.	1:08 a.m.	9:46 p.m.	12:14 p.m.	10/28	3:13 a.m.	10:45 a.m.	8:49 p.m.	—	10/28	8:36 p.m.	10:34 a.m.	—	—
10/29	11:06 p.m.	1:09 p.m.	—	—	10/29	10:09 p.m.	11:40 a.m.	—	—	10/29	9:59 p.m.	11:29 a.m.	—	—
10/30	—	2:11 p.m.	—	—	10/30	11:42 p.m.	12:42 p.m.	—	—	10/30	11:14 p.m.	12:28 p.m.	—	—
<b>San Luis Pass</b>					<b>Port O'Connor</b>					<b>Port Isabel</b>				
10/10	3:57 a.m.	10:25 a.m.	5:12 p.m.	10:51 p.m.	10/10	5:48 a.m.	1:15 p.m.	7:54 p.m.	12:04 p.m.	10/10	3:56 a.m.	9:35 a.m.	5:11 p.m.	10:01 p.m.
10/11	4:00 a.m.	10:47 a.m.	6:07 p.m.	11:19 p.m.	10/11	9:13 p.m.	12:27 p.m.	—	—	10/11	3:59 a.m.	9:57 a.m.	6:06 p.m.	10:29 p.m.
10/12	4:00 a.m.	11:11 a.m.	7:00 p.m.	11:48 p.m.	10/12	10:35 p.m.	12:51 p.m.	—	—	10/12	3:59 a.m.	10:21 a.m.	6:59 p.m.	10:58 p.m.
10/13	3:54 a.m.	11:40 a.m.	7:53 p.m.	—	10/13	—	1:19 p.m.	—	—	10/13	3:53 a.m.	10:50 a.m.	7:52 p.m.	11:28 p.m.
10/14	3:37 a.m.	12:18 a.m.	8:50 p.m.	12:12 p.m.	10/14	12:15 a.m.	1:51 p.m.	—	—	10/14	3:36 a.m.	11:22 a.m.	8:49 p.m.	11:56 p.m.
10/15	3:15 a.m.	12:46 a.m.	10:00 p.m.	12:50 p.m.	10/15	2:09 a.m.	2:31 p.m.	—	—	10/15	3:14 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	9:59 p.m.	—
10/16	3:10 a.m.	1:08 a.m.	—	1:34 p.m.	10/16	3:35 a.m.	3:20 p.m.	—	—	10/16	3:09 a.m.	12:18 a.m.	—	12:44 p.m.
10/17	3:20 a.m.	2:27 p.m.	—	—	10/17	4:39 a.m.	4:20 p.m.	—	—	10/17	3:19 a.m.	1:37 p.m.	—	—
10/18	3:34 a.m.	3:28 p.m.	—	—	10/18	5:33 a.m.	5:30 p.m.	—	—	10/18	3:33 a.m.	2:38 p.m.	—	—
10/19	3:16 a.m.	4:36 p.m.	—	—	10/19	6:20 a.m.	6:46 p.m.	—	—	10/19	3:15 a.m.	3:46 p.m.	—	—
10/20	2:39 a.m.	5:44 p.m.	—	—	10/20	7:02 a.m.	8:03 p.m.	—	—	10/20	2:38 a.m.	4:54 p.m.	—	—
10/21	2:36 a.m.	6:50 p.m.	—	—	10/21	7:36 a.m.	9:16 p.m.	—	—	10/21	2:35 a.m.	6:00 p.m.	—	—
10/22	2:37 a.m.	8:12 a.m.	1:04 p.m.	7:51 p.m.	10/22	7:42 a.m.	10:29 p.m.	—	—	10/22	2:36 a.m.	7:22 a.m.	1:03 p.m.	7:01 p.m.
10/23	2:41 a.m.	8:25 a.m.	2:40 p.m.	8:50 p.m.	10/23	5:53 a.m.	10:26 a.m.	5:11 p.m.	—	10/23	2:40 a.m.	7:35 a.m.	2:39 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
10/24	2:46 a.m.	8:57 a.m.	4:00 p.m.	9:49 p.m.	10/24	3:18 a.m.	12:02 a.m.	7:35 p.m.	10:40 a.m.	10/24	2:45 a.m.	8:07 a.m.	3:59 p.m.	8:59 p.m.
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10/27	3:02 a.m.	11:05 a.m.	7:28 p.m.	—	10/27	12:03 a.m.	12:51 p.m.	—	—	10/27	3:01 a.m.	10:15 a.m.	7:27 p.m.	—
10/28	3:04 a.m.	12:50 a.m.	8:40 p.m.	11:56 a.m.	10/28	1:53 a.m.	1:43 p.m.	—	—	10/28	3:03 a.m.	12:00 a.m.	8:39 p.m.	11:06 a.m.
10/29	10:00 p.m.	12:51 p.m.	—	—	10/29	3:12 a.m.	2:39 p.m.	—	—	10/29	9:59 p.m.	12:01 p.m.	—	—
10/30	11:33 p.m.	1:53 p.m.	—	—	10/30	4:18 a.m.	3:39 p.m.	—	—	10/30	11:32 p.m.	1:0		

# HEROES



**JIM CONKLIN** caught this Coho Salmon fishing in Canada.



**PAUL WILSON** of South Padre Island holds a kingfish caught at the end of the South Padre Island jetties.



**MICHAEL ZUCKER** of Dallas took this elk while bowhunting in Lincoln County, N.M., on the Wapiti Ranch with **DR. BILL KESSLER** of Austin.

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**DAN RHODES** of Dallas caught this 225-pound, 9-foot striped marlin off the coast of Cabo San Lucas.



**MICHAEL MCWILLIAM**, 8, left, hunted with his cousin **CODY IVY**, 10, and their fathers in a field near Bowie. McWilliam was on his first hunt. Ivy's dog Chip retrieved a few birds including a Eurasian collared dove.

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# OUTDOOR DATEBOOK

## HAVE AN EVENT?

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**Oct. 13-14:** The Big State Festival presented by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Foundation will be held at Texas World Speedway in Bryan-College Station, featuring 50 country artists. For information, visit [www.bigstatefestival.com](http://www.bigstatefestival.com).



**Oct. 15:** Tailwaters Fly Fishing Co. will host a Chile fly-fishing slideshow presentation with Jay Burgin, owner of Cinco Rios and Estancia del Zorro lodges at 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP to (214) 219-2500 or [tailwaters@tailwatersflyfishing.com](mailto:tailwaters@tailwatersflyfishing.com).

**Oct. 15-17:** A hunter's safety education class will be held at the Gander Mountain store in Sugar Land. Call the store at (281) 239-6720 for information.

**Oct. 16:** The Nature Conservancy will hold its Generation Conservation Kick-Off Party at The Houston Zoo, Brown Education Center. For information, visit [www.nature.org/Texas](http://www.nature.org/Texas).

**Oct. 16:** The Texoma DU banquet will be

held at the Air-1 Hanger, Grayson County Airport. Contact Jim Salling at (903) 463-1151 or [jsalling@cablone.net](mailto:jsalling@cablone.net) for information.

**Oct. 18:** The Dallas Safari Club monthly meeting featuring New Zealand safaris will be held at the Doubletree Hotel Dallas near the Galleria. Call (972) 980-9800 for information.



**Oct. 18:** The Northeast Tarrant County DU dinner will be held at the Colleyville Center in Colleyville. For information, contact David Hornsby at (817) 283-6082 or [dbhtx@yahoo.com](mailto:dbhtx@yahoo.com).

**Oct. 18:** The Austin Heart of Texas Delta Waterfowl dinner will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Call (512) 653-6267 for information.



**Oct. 18:** The Roadrunners (UTSA) CCA dinner will be held in San Antonio. Call (800) 626-4222 for information.

**Oct. 18:** The Arlington DU dinner will be held at Almota Ranch in Arlington. Call Steve Barber at (817) 832-8078 for information.

**Oct. 18:** The Weatherford DU dinner will be held at the Skating Rink at 321 W. I-20. Contact Troy Garvin at (817) 597-6959 or [info@weatherfordducks.com](mailto:info@weatherfordducks.com) for

information.

**Oct. 18:** The Texas A&M Kingsville DU banquet will be held at the Caesar Kleberg Wildlife Center. Call Rebecca Miller at (302) 359-6211 for information.

**Oct. 19-21:** The Oktoberfest Fly Fishing Festival will be held at Morgan Shady Park in Junction. For information, call (830) 997-8881 or visit [www.fredericksburgflyfishers.org](http://www.fredericksburgflyfishers.org).

**Oct. 20-21:** Cabela's in Buda will hold seminars on Gearing Up for Deer Season in the hunting department at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Call (512) 295-1100 for information.

**Oct. 20-21:** Bass Pro Shops in Katy will host its Dog Days and Waterfowl Weekend. Call (281) 644-2203 or visit [www.basspro.com](http://www.basspro.com) for details.



**Oct. 20-21:** Cabela's in Fort Worth will hold seminars on Deer Quartering with Syracuse Custom Meat Professional Tracy Croisant at 12:30 p.m. Call (817) 337-2400 for information.

**Oct. 20:** The High Plains Quail Unlimited banquet will be held in Dumas. For location and information, call Eric Vasquez at (806) 935-6249.

**Oct. 20:** The Rockport DU dinner will be held in Rockport. For location and

information, call Sterling Heller at (361) 790-5917.

**Oct. 23:** The Plano DU banquet will be held at the Plano Center. Contact Gordon Waller at (214) 926-6779 or [planoducks@verizon.net](mailto:planoducks@verizon.net) for information.

**Oct. 25-26:** The Texas Wildlife Association will host a Wind & Wildlife Conference at Big Country Hall in Abilene. For information or to register, call Helen Holdsworth at (800) TEX-WILD or [h\\_holdsworth@texas-wildlife.org](mailto:h_holdsworth@texas-wildlife.org).

**Oct. 25:** The Rio Grande Valley DU dinner will be held at the Pharr Civic Center. Call Brian Payne at (956) 369-1812 for information.



**Oct. 25:** The Matagorda County DU dinner will be held at the Bay City Civic Center. Contact John Armatta at (979) 429-0766 or [jarmatta@yahoo.com](mailto:jarmatta@yahoo.com) for information.

**Oct. 25:** The Cross Timbers Quail Unlimited dinner will be held in Fort Worth. Call Jeff Craine at (817) 923-8996 for information.

**Oct. 25:** The Houston DU dinner will be held at the Edwin Hornberger Center. Contact Stephen Johnson at (281) 798-4557 or [stephen.johnson@grainger.com](mailto:stephen.johnson@grainger.com)

for information.

**Oct. 25:** The San Jacinto DU dinner will be held at Montgomery County Park #2 in Conroe. Contact Jim Perkins at (936) 756-8833 for information.

**Oct. 26-28:** The Texas Hill Country River Region will hold the 2nd Annual Fall Fly Fishing Fest. Call Ken Cave at (800) 210-0380 or visit [www.thcrr.com](http://www.thcrr.com) for information.

**Oct. 26:** The Tyler DU dinner will be held at the Harvey Convention Center. Contact Jack Strother at (903) 526-1772 or [jack@hosleyembry.com](mailto:jack@hosleyembry.com) for information.

**Oct. 27-28:** A hunter's safety education class will be offered at the Gander Mountain Store in Tyler. Call (903) 839-8205 for information.



**Oct. 27:** Hunter's Harvest will host a Clean Out Your Freezer Day at Bass Pro Shops in Pearland and Faithbridge Church in Spring. For information, call (281) 320-8259.

**Oct. 27:** The Cherokee County Texas Deer Association banquet will be held at the 3G Ranch in Jacksonville. Call Ron Boren at (903) 571-4541 for information.

**Oct. 27:** The Greater Edwards Aquifer Alliance Feral Hog Roast will be at the Strange Ranch. Call (210) 320-1457 for information.

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### LESS MESS: The Game Cleaning System by Hunter's Specialties will help hunters quickly and cleanly field dress their animals.

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### DIG THIS JIG: Winchester Ammunition is aiming to lure in the anglers. The ammo company, working with the Little Sac Bait Company LLC, is producing the Winchester Slim Jim finesse jig.

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### A DETAILED VIEW: Humminbird's new 1157c Combo sonar GPS unit is part of the 1100 series featuring the company's largest screens to date with a 10.4-inch diagonal, sunlight viewable display. The 1157c Combo is equipped with DualBeam PLUS down-looking sonar, a wide 60-degree beam that provides the greatest coverage to locate fish and bait fish, while the precision 20-degree beam provides better definition to see fish hidden in structures or near the bottom. The images can be viewed separately, blended together, or be seen side-by-side in split-screen mode. The 1157c Combo

costs about \$2,100. The unit includes 16-channel GPS/WAAS satellite positioning, can be gimbal or in-dash mounted, and comes with the company's UniMap cartography. For retailers, visit [www.humminbird.com](http://www.humminbird.com) or call (800) 633-1468.



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# FISHING REPORT

## HOT BITES

### LARGEMOUTH BASS



**ARROWHEAD:** Black bass are good off rock points, and crankbaits or black/blue jigs 4-7 feet deep near riprap.

**TOLEDO BEND:** Black bass to 5 pounds are very good on redbug soft plastic worms, spinnerbaits, and buzzbaits, and on flukes and topwaters early and late.

### WHITE/HYBRID/STRIPER



**BROWNWOOD:** Hybrid striper are good trolling hellbenders and pet spoons in 15-25 feet. White bass are good on Li'l Fishies and live minnows off lighted docks at night.

**CEDAR CREEK:** White bass are good on chrome jiggling spoons and white slabs on main lake humps.

**TEXOMA:** Striped bass are good on live shad, Sassy Shad and slabs in 20-40 feet.

### CATFISH



**CALAVERAS:** Channel and blue catfish are excellent on liver, shrimp, cheese-bait, and shad near the railroad bridge and Turtle Rock.

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

**FAIRFIELD:** Catfish are excellent on fresh shad and shrimp in 12-18 feet drifted on mid to lower lake points and the hot water discharge.

### CRAPPIE



**NAVARRO MILLS:** Crappie are good on minnows and blue tube jigs.

**WHITNEY:** Crappie are very good on minnows and blue tube jigs.

**BASTROP:** Crappie are very good on minnows and pink tube jigs.

### BREAM



**SAM RAYBURN:** Bream are good on nightcrawlers.

**ALAN HENRY:** Water lightly stained; 77-82 degrees. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs.

**AMISTAD:** Water clear; 83 degrees; 8.35' low. Black bass are fair on deep running crankbaits and heavy jigs in grass, Texas and Carolina rigged soft plastics, and on topwaters early and late.

**ARROWHEAD:** Water lightly stained; 76-82 degrees. White bass are good on shad-imitation lures and white soft plastics off deeper points. Catfish are good along upper west side on punchbait or juglines baited with cut shad or carp.

**ATHENS:** Water clear, 78-82 degrees. Black bass are good on black/blue jigs and plastic worms around man-made brush piles close to docks. Catfish are good on prepared baits fished over baited holes in 12-15 feet.

**BASTROP:** Water clear. Black bass are good on live minnows.

**BELTON:** Water murky; 85 degrees; 15.20' high. Black bass are good on topwaters at night. Hybrid striper are good on white Riversides and Sassy Shad at night under lights. Channel and blue catfish are good on throw lines baited with frozen shad in 20-30 feet. Yellow catfish are good on trotlines baited with live perch.

**BOB SANDLIN:** Water clear; 77-83 degrees; 0.22' low. Black bass are good on crankbaits and plastic worms in 8-12 feet. White bass are good on jiggling spoons in 20-24 feet.

**BRAUNIG:** Water stained; 88 degrees. Channel catfish are excellent on liver, shrimp, cut bait, and cheesebait near the dam and the intake. Blue catfish are good on cut bait.

**BRIDGEPORT:** Water clear; 78-83 degrees; 0.97' low. White bass are good on slabs and live shad in 15-20 feet. Channel catfish are good on cut bait and worms in 15-20 feet in holes baited with soured grain.

**BROWNWOOD:** Water clear; 83 degrees; 0.73' low. Black bass are good on redbug and watermelon/chartreuse soft plastic worms over brush piles in 5-15 feet, and on topwaters on main lake flats. Channel catfish are good on bloodbait and nightcrawlers over baited holes in 15-25 feet.

**BUCHANAN:** Water clear; 82 degrees; 2.51' low. Black bass are fair on wacky rigged watermelon/purple Whacky Sticks, topwaters, and crankbaits along deeper ledges in creeks in 5-10 feet at first light. Yellow and blue catfish are good upriver.

**CADDO:** Water stained to murky; 78-85 degrees; 0.08' high. Black bass are good on orange belly Rogues and black or grape 6" plastic worms in 3-6 feet around single cypress trees. White bass are good on slabs and spoons in 8-10 feet Channel catfish are good on limb lines.

**CALAVERAS:** Water stained; 88 degrees. Redfish are good on live bait and down rigging spoons with green grubs between the crappie wall and the dam in 15-20 feet, and on perch and tilapia near the dam and Spider Island.

**CANYON LAKE:** Water clear; 81 degrees; 0.39' high. Black bass are fair to good on drop shot rigs, shaky head jigs, and white spinnerbaits along ledges of main lake bluffs in 10-20 feet.

**CEDAR CREEK:** Water lightly stained; 78-82 degrees; 0.43' low. Crappie are good on tube jigs in 20-25 feet around heavy man made brush piles. Catfish are fair drift fishing with cut shad.

**CHOKE CANYON:** Water lightly stained; 86 degrees; 0.05' high. Black bass are good on large soft plastic worms and lizards in 12-20 feet. Drum are good on live worms.

**COLEMAN:** Water clear; 81 degrees. Hybrid striper are good on chartreuse striper jigs and live minnows. Crappie are good on minnows over brush. Channel and blue catfish are good on stinkbait and nightcrawlers.

**CONROE:** Water clear; 0.68' low. Black bass are good on tequila sunrise soft plastics, spinnerbaits, and crankbaits in 15-25 feet. Striped bass are good on live minnows.

**FAIRFIELD:** Water fairly clear; 79-89 degrees. Black bass are good on Texas rigged worms fished around mid-lake points.

**FALCON:** Water clear; 87 degrees. Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits, Sweet Beavers, and Brush Hogs in the upper end of the lake in 8-20 feet. Channel and blue catfish are excellent on cut bait and liver. Mexican fishing licenses and boat permits are required to fish Mexican waters.

**FAYETTE:** Water gin clear; 93 degrees. Black bass are good on shad patterned Pop-R's and Spittin' Images early. Red ear perch are good on worms in 2-5 feet.

**FORK:** Water clear; 78-84 degrees. Black bass are fair to good on red Rat-L-Traps and white/chartreuse spinnerbaits in 3-8 feet along main lake grass lines. The deeper bite (18-26 feet) is fair on drop shot rigs.

**GRANBURY:** Water clear; 0.42' low. Black bass are very good on shad colored spinnerbaits and crankbaits, and on topwaters early and late. Catfish are good on stinkbait, liver and nightcrawlers.

**GRANGER:** Water clear; 83 degrees; 7.52' high. White bass are very good on slab spoons. Crappie are good on chartreuse tube jigs in 10-15 feet. Channel and blue catfish are good on cut bait and shad in 5-15 feet.

**GRAPEVINE:** Water stained; 78-84 degrees; 3.01' high. White bass are good on slabs around humps and points. Catfish are good on punchbait and fresh shad in 5-20 feet.

**GREENBELT:** Water lightly stained; 76-83 degrees. Black bass are fair on dark jigs and live bait. Catfish are fair on cut and prepared baits.

**HOUSTON COUNTY:** Water clear; 86 degrees; 0.34' high. Black bass are good on black soft plastic worms near drop offs early, and on chrome/black Tiny Torpedoes. Channel and blue catfish are good on trotlines baited with

shad and bream.

**HUBBARD CREEK:** Water lightly stained; 49 degrees. Crappie are good on jigs and minnows. White bass and hybrid striper are good on crankbaits and live baits.

**JOE POOL:** Water fairly clear; 77-83 degrees; 0.17' high. White bass are good on chrome or white around main lake points and humps. Channel catfish are good drift fishing fresh shad and prepared baits around points and humps in 10-20 feet.

**LAKE O' THE PINES:** Water stained; 78-84 degrees; 1.07' high. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs.

**LAVON:** Water stained; 78-83 degrees; 1.85' low. Catfish are fair to good on cut bait and Catfish Charlie.

**LEWISVILLE:** Water stained; 78-84 degrees; 0.57' high. White bass are good on jiggling spoons in 20-24 feet around main lake points and humps. Catfish are good on cut bait on main lake points and humps in 12-25 feet.

**LIVINGSTON:** Water fairly clear; 85 degrees; 0.10' high. Striped bass are good but small on crankbaits and spinnerbaits off piers. White bass are good trolling pet spoons and hellbenders. Blue catfish are good on shad.

**MEDINA:** Water stained; 53 degrees; 36.73' low. White bass are good on live minnows and trolling pearl crankbaits off main lake points in 10-25 feet. Catfish to 6 pounds are good on Lewis' Select catfish bait and live shad, and on juglines baited with perch.

**MONTICELLO:** Water off color; 78-82 degrees. Black bass are good on drop shot rigs, Rat-L-Traps, gold jiggling spoons and spinnerbaits. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. Catfish are fair to good on prepared baits.

**NAVARRO MILLS:** Water murky; 83 degrees; 0.21' low. Black bass are good but small on minnows. Channel and blue catfish are good on minnows and shrimp.

**PALESTINE:** Water fairly clear; 78-83 degrees; 0.68' low. Black bass are good on jigs and trick worms in 8-12 feet. Catfish are good on fresh cut bait along channels in 20-24 feet.

**POSSUM KINGDOM:** Water clear; 78-83 degrees. Black bass are fair in the lower half of reservoir near docks and back of coves on heavy jigs or shad imitation crankbaits.

**PROCTOR:** Water stained; 83 degrees; 0.77' high. Striped bass are good on crankbaits

and shad. White bass are good on minnows. Channel and blue catfish are good on goldfish and minnows.

**RAY HUBBARD:** Water fairly clear; 77-82 degrees; 0.2' low. White bass are good on slabs. Hybrid striper are fair on slabs.

**RAY ROBERTS:** Water murky; 78-83 degrees; 1.2' high. Black bass are good on spinnerbaits and Yum Dingers. White bass are fair to good on jiggling spoons. Crappie are good on jigs and minnows over brush piles.

**RICHLAND CHAMBERS:** Water fairly clear; 78-83 degrees; 0.34' low. White bass are good on white or chartreuse slabs fished close to the bottom in 20-24 feet. Catfish are good drift fishing with fresh shad in 15-20 feet around the 309 Flats.

**SAM RAYBURN:** Water stained; 81 degrees; 3.60' low. Black bass are good on redbug soft plastic worms and buzzbaits in 15-25 feet, and on topwaters early and late.

**SOMERVILLE:** Water murky; 0.23' low. Black bass are excellent on black or purple soft plastics. Channel and blue catfish are good on minnows.

**STILLHOUSE:** Water stained; 84 degrees; 4.39' high. Black bass are good on spinnerbaits and nightcrawlers. Crappie are good on minnows. Channel and blue catfish are excellent on shrimp, nightcrawlers, and minnows.

**TAWAKONI:** Water stained; 78-82 degrees. Crappie are good on live minnows jigs in 12-18 feet. White bass are fair to good on white or chartreuse slabs fished close to the bottom. Catfish are good on fresh shad and prepared baits in 15-20 feet around points close to the mouth of creeks.

**TEXOMA:** Water clear; 77-82 degrees. Blue catfish are excellent on cut bait and live shad along the submerged river ledges and adjacent flats.

**TOLEDO BEND:** Water clear; 80 degrees; 3.95' low. Bream are good on night-crawlers.

**TRAVIS:** Water clear; 83 degrees; 0.34' low. Black bass are good on bone topwaters, red shad soft plastic worms, and white spinnerbaits in 4-18 feet. Channel and blue catfish are good on nightcrawlers and bloodbait in 28-40 feet.

**WALTER E. LONG:** Water stained; 84 degrees (91 at discharge). Hybrid striper 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 and shrimp.

**WEATHERFORD:** Water stained; 78-84 degrees. Crappie are fair to good in the crappie house and boat slips.

**WHITE RIVER:** Water lightly stained; 77-83 degrees. Crappie are good on jigs and minnows. Channel catfish are good on live and cut bait.

**WHITNEY:** Water murky; 2.64' low. Black bass are good on yellow/white spinnerbaits and crankbaits, and on topwaters early. White bass are fair on minnows and pet spoons.

**WICHITA:** Water clearing; 76-82 degrees. White bass and hybrid striped bass are good on minnows and orange rooster tails along the dam, near pier poles, and on live shad and a bobber by the spillway. Channel catfish are good on along north side of the upper end of reservoir on punchbait.

**WRIGHT PATMAN:** Water fairly clear; 78-83 degrees; 4.53' high. White bass are good on slabs and live minnows.

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Water stained; 84 degrees; 0.14' low. Black bass are good on topwaters, 1/8 oz. buzzbaits, and wacky-rigged green pumpkin worms tight to seawalls and laydowns in 4-8 feet at daylight and just before dark. Striped bass are good on spoiler shads at night. White bass are good on Li'l Fishies at night. Crappie to 16" are good on crappie jigs and live minnows over brush piles in 12-15 feet. Channel catfish are very good on minnows and dipbait.

## SALTWATER SCENE



**NORTH SABINE:** Trout and flounder are fair to good on the Louisiana shorelines on bright jigs and grubs.

**SOUTH SABINE:** Black drum, redfish and sheepshead are fair to good at the jetty on shrimp and crabs.

**BOLIVAR:** Black drum and redfish are fair to good on crabs and shrimp at Rollover Pass.

**TRINITY BAY:** Black drum and redfish are fair to good on crabs and shrimp at the Spillway.

**EAST GALVESTON BAY:** Trout are fair to good on live shrimp and glow plastics at Hannas Reef and Todd's dump. Sheepshead, black drum, trout and redfish are fair to good at the Bacliff Spillway on live shrimp.

**WEST GALVESTON BAY:** Oversized black drum and redfish are fair to good at the jetty and in the Ship Channel on cracked crabs and dead shrimp. Sheepshead, whiting and redfish are fair to good in the channels on dead shrimp.

**TEXAS CITY:** Oversized black drum are fair to good off the dike on crab and dead shrimp. Sheepshead and whiting are fair to good on shrimp around rock groins.

**FREEPORT:** Redfish are fair at the jetty on live shrimp and crabs. Redfish, flounder, black drum and sheepshead are fair in the channels on shrimp and mud minnows.

**EAST MATAGORDA:** Redfish are fair around the Chiniquapin Reefs and St. Mary's on live shrimp.

**MATAGORDA:** Trout and redfish are fair on the south shoreline on live shrimp, Bass Assassins, Trout Killers and Sand Eels. Best bite is on the incoming tide in the afternoon.

**PORT ARANSAS:** Trout and redfish are fair in the back lakes and along the Chain of Islands on live shrimp under a popping cork.

**ROCKPORT:** Redfish are fair to good on the flats in the afternoon on gold spoons and fire tiger Bass Assassins, Sand Eels and Trout Killers. Black drum are fair to good in the Lydia Ann Channel on crabs and mullet.

**PORT ARANSAS:** Trout and redfish are fair along the drop-offs to the Intracoastal on Red Killers and tandem-rigged DOA shrimp.

**CORPUS CHRISTI:** Black drum are fair on crabs and shrimp off the pier. Trout are fair in the Humble Channel on live shrimp. Redfish are fair to good on the East Flats on shrimp.

**BAFFIN BAY:** Trout are fair to good around the rocks on live shrimp under a popping cork and Corkies. Trout are fair at the mouth of Baffin on live shrimp.

**PORT MANSFIELD:** Black drum and redfish are fair to good on crabs and mullet in the Intracoastal.

**SOUTH PADRE:** Trout and redfish are fair on the Gas-Well Flats on live shrimp under a popping cork. Trout, redfish, sheepshead and black drum are fair in the Intracoastal on live shrimp.

**PORT ISABEL:** Trout and redfish are fair at the jetty on live shrimp and glow plastics. Black drum are good in the channels on cracked crabs.

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# Airlines

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he said, that UK customs officials began stringently enforcing existing rules.

"When we violate any single step of those rules — and it's not frequent, but enough because they are so stringent — we not only are fined, but the UK has also come close to revoking our ability to carry all weapons. That would prevent us from carrying military personnel and their firearms, and we simply cannot take that risk," Wagner explained.

The question arises whether those same restrictions will force other airlines to change their own firearms policy.

Andrew Arulanandam, director of public affairs for the National Rifle Association, says: "We're working to

make sure that other airlines don't follow suit."

A random check of the Web sites of some of the U.S. airlines that fly into the United Kingdom indicated no changes of policy as of Oct. 5. Information under the "baggage" section of Delta Air Lines, US Airways and United Airlines indicates that passengers are allowed to transport firearms as checked baggage in accordance with federal law. Delta Airlines also requires that passengers obtain a permit from the United Kingdom.

"As long as you have a permit, you should have no problem," said Michael McCrave, an outfitter in Scotland, about bringing in firearms into his corner of the United Kingdom.

It takes about 8 weeks to get the firearms permit, which covers bolt-action rifles and breaking shotguns. McCrave advised hunters to work with an outfitter in the region where

they plan to hunt. That outfitter, he said, will have the paperwork that needs to be filed with the local police station. In addition to a fee, hunters will also be required to provide a character reference from their police departments.

It was on Sept. 24 that American Airlines initiated its policy that it would no longer accept firearms in checked baggage to or from any European or Asian destination (except for military/government personnel with proper documentation).

But, three days later, the airline revised that policy to restrict the firearms only on flights to and from the United Kingdom in response to concerns voiced by advocacy groups such as the NRA and the Dallas Safari Club.

Gray Thornton, executive director of DSC, flew to Washington, D.C., on Sept. 26 to meet with U.S. Congressman Pete Sessions. (R-

Dallas). NRA lobbyist Liz Williams also was there.

Sessions said in an Oct. 3 statement: "As an avid supporter of outdoor sports, I am pleased to have worked with the Dallas Safari Club, Safari Club International and the National Rifle Association to initiate productive conversations with American Airlines regarding restrictions of checked firearms aboard international flights. American Airlines readily acknowledged the merit of our argument to lift the restrictions, recognizing the importance of international hunting travel and consequently lifting the checked firearms ban for flights to Asia and Europe, with the exception of the United Kingdom."

Thornton said not allowing hunters to fly firearms into the UK will present problems for those who enjoy the "serious wingshooting" offered in those countries as well as those hunting in Africa who might be

routed through the UK.

"We're going to keep on it," Thornton said.

Sessions said: "I look forward to having additional discussions with American Airlines on this important issue as they work with the UK Government to determine a solution that both complies with UK security policies and ensures the interests of outdoor sport participants to travel internationally with legally-secured firearms."

Nor is the NRA satisfied with the firearms policy as it stands.

Arulanandam said his group, which has 4 million members, will continue to work with American Airlines.

"We represent members who are avid hunters," he said. "They're not all rich. Some of them have to depend on commercial airlines. It's in everyone's interest that hunting doesn't become a sport for only the rich."



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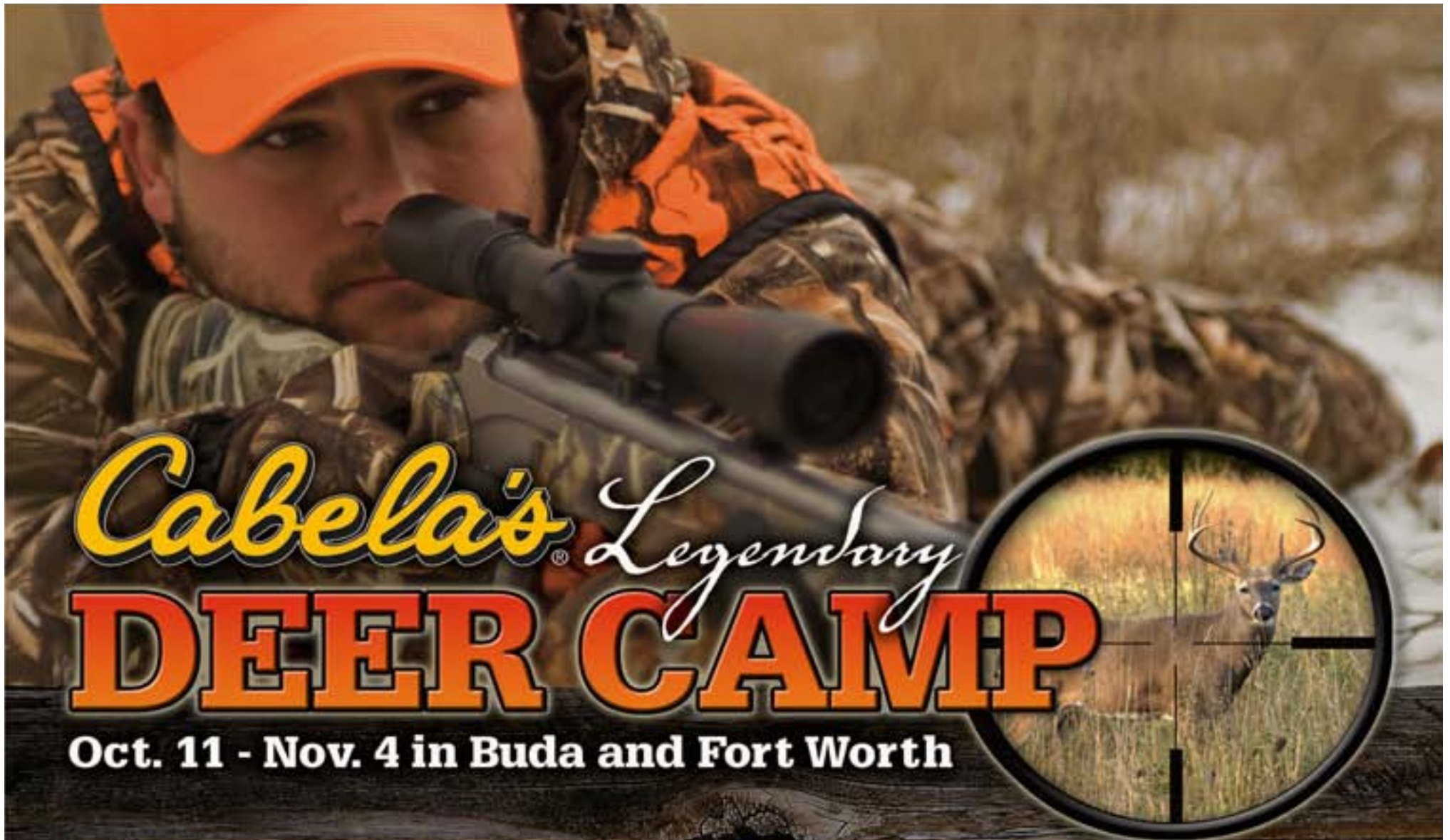
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