



TPWD Mission: To manage and conserve the natural and cultural resources of Texas and to provide hunting, fishing and outdoor recreation opportunities for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations.



Editor's CORNER

Remember in past issues, we talked about change? There will be "minor" changes coming on the new student and instructor Scantron forms. They will be a little less "busy" and will not take any additional time to complete, but there are a couple of new items on each. Please look them over to familiarize yourself with them and continue to help the students complete them correctly. Have students use a pencil, so mistakes can be corrected if necessary. Properly completed forms will make data entry much easier, and students should receive their card much faster.

REMINDER: There are a few things to remember that cause forms to be rejected in the scanner. Please do not place an X or a check mark over an oval. The oval must be colored entirely. Do not make any stray marks, or go into other areas with stray marks or signatures. Leave spaces between address numbers and street names, etc. It is NOT necessary to place a (O) in a blank space and then color in the oval under it. Just leave it blank entirely.

NEW CHANGES

Student Forms: Under "Course Type," students will now have the option to mark "Home Study" on their form for Hunter Education or Bowhunter Education. Under "Race" (optional) there are some new selections, so please have the student complete this area as best as possible.

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It's Texas Parks & Wildlife Expo Time



It's time to sign up and volunteer your time and efforts to help make the 15th Annual Texas Parks & Wildlife Expo a huge success. It is impossible to run a successful event without adequate numbers of qualified instructors and volunteers. Here's what you'll get for your time: an Expo T-shirt, lunch and drinks on Saturday and Sunday, free BBQ at Saturday night's volunteer appreciation party, a chance at some tremendous door prizes, a big thank you and a smile from over 15,000 kids' faces, a third of which have never been exposed to the shooting sports. 14780

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Editor's CORNER, continued

Instructor Final Report: The Final Report has been reformatted to flow much easier when filling it in. There is now only one place for an assistant instructor number. Next, when you mark the course type as Boater or Hunter, the course sub-type will be "basic." When the course is Bowhunter, the course sub-type will be "IBEP."

NOTE: Instructors will now be required to fill in the number of "Preparatory Hours" they use for each course. In other words, when you prepare for a course and it takes 10 hours, then put that time in the "Prep Hours" box. The Prep Hours plus the actual hours of instruction will equal "Total Hours."

If an instructor is certified to teach Boater, Hunter or Bowhunter Education courses, remember the following: Each course must have a **separate final report** and the students must fill out a **separate student registration form** for each course. Multiple courses MAY NOT be entered on the same form. The computer is set up to accept only **one course per final report and one course per student registration form**. For agriculture teachers, if you have more than one course going at the same time (different periods of the same day), you must finish the courses on different days. The computer is set up so that only one course may be completed on any given day. Example: finish the first period class on Tuesday, the second period class on Wednesday so that two different dates appear on the final report forms and the student registration forms.

When you complete a course, remember, you have **seven (7) days** to get the paperwork in our office. Please use all the 6" X 9" envelopes with postage paid until they are used up. When these are depleted, you will be using the new self-addressed 10" X 13" envelope but will have to pay the postage yourself.

****New Fee Change**** On June 1, everyone should have begun charging \$15 for hunter and bowhunter education courses. This new fee allows the instructor to retain \$10 for out-of-pocket expenses and a \$5 fee per student is returned to TPWD for administrative purposes.

Please remember, students **MUST be 12 years of age on or before** the course certification date to be certified as there are NO exceptions. If the birthday is one day after the certification date, the student will be entered as underage. Any student under 12 is always welcome to attend the course, but must understand they cannot be certified and must successfully complete the course after turning 12 to receive official certification. Students who apply for the Texas Youth Hunting Program as young as age nine must take the course and upon successful completion will receive a "Certificate of Completion." This certificate satisfies the requirement for the hunt by TYHP.

Calls are beginning to come in for the fall hunting season. Schedule courses as soon as possible and remember to plan some in November and December for the holiday season. Young hunters will be out of school and will want to go hunting during this time. Also, out-of-state bound hunters who hunt in Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, etc., for pheasants during the holidays, will need courses during this time. When you schedule courses, don't forget to let us know so we can place them in the computer.

NOTE: Several have asked, "When are we going to see our instructor numbers in *Target Talk* again?" Well, we tried that initially in order to increase readership, but it didn't work too well, since very few readers found their numbers and claimed their prizes. What say we try it again and see if instructors can find their numbers?

Buried in the pages of this issue are five (5) instructor numbers and they are not difficult to find. Locate your number and give Kathy a call at (800) 792-1112, ext. 8142 and claim your prize.

Keep up the great work and "Always Be Safe and Responsible."

Terry Erwin

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What's New With IHEA?

Numerous changes have occurred with the International Hunter Education Association in the last few months. A new Executive Vice President, Gary Berlin, was hired in March. He is a Hunter Education instructor and has been a lifelong hunter and conservationist. His education includes an Associate of Science degree in Resource Management, a B.S. in Natural Resource Management with a minor in Business Management and a Masters Degree in Public Administration.

He began his career with the CDOW as a Wildlife Officer and retired as Senior Level Human Resources Training Manager. Just before coming to the IHEA, he was self-employed as an independent contractor dealing with police officer applicants determining suitability and qualifications for employment. He also currently serves as a Wildlife Law Instructor for the Colorado Division of Parks and Recreation.

Gary describes himself as a dedicated, self-motivated, goal and customer service-oriented seasoned professional with solid natural resource management, human resource, strategic management, employee development and employment relations experience. He exhibits exemplary verbal and written communication skills, outstanding stage presence and presentation skills. You will hear more from him as he writes a column in the Instructor Journal, which comes out with each issue of this newsletter.

On July 3, Gary moved the IHEA office to a new location, which benefits IHEA Board members traveling in for business, as the office is located in relative close proximity to the Denver International Airport. The office will be very easily found.

The new address is: 2727 W. 92nd Ave., Suite 103, Federal Heights, CO 80260. The new phone numbers are (303) 430-7233 (office) and (303) 430-7236 (fax).

In addition to the move, Gary hired a new office manager, Julie Garland. She was previously employed by the Cable Company (a large non-profit in Denver) where she was the Business and Finance Coordinator. In addition to her primary responsibilities with the Cable Company, Julie was also the Human Resource and Office Manager, plus she served as the Facilities Maintenance Manager, too. Her vast and varied experience in finance and accounting will be a great addition to the IHEA. Julie is a graduate of the prestigious University of Denver and earned a B.A. in Geography with a minor in Spanish.

Anytime one is visiting or traveling in the Denver area please stop in and visit and see the new facility, which houses the offices, a meeting/class room and reference library. Welcome aboard Gary and Julie!

Incentive Awards Finally Distributed

All incentive awards were mailed by May 31, so if you are wondering if you were to receive one, it should have already been received. If not, it only means that you still lacked a few points until the next award. Staff mailed out 1,103 total awards this year, including 34 IBEP awards.

Leading the top awards were the **Hall of Fame** recipients, which went to Cyndi and George Sykora, Odie O'Dwyer and James Haynes. Five 3,500 Point Shotgun Awards went to Frank Moore, Donald Barker, Gerald Chapman, J. R. Brown and Ferris Bavousett. Eleven 3,000 Point Rifle Awards went to William Tatsch, Jr., Derick Hollowell, James Schaefer, Raul Mendez, Daniel Sanchez, Charles Good, Ferris Bavousett, Claude Hicks, Jr., Charles Snowden, Ferris Bavousett and Phil Brakebill.

Twelve 2,500 Point Handgun Awards went to Zona Worcester, Robert Ferguson, Roger Coleman, Leslie Freeman, John Woolfe, Ernest Roney, Jr., Daniel Odom, James Davis, Wm. R. Douglas, Derick Hollowell, James Schaefer and Donnie Kee. Rounding out the top awards was the 2000 Point Custom Buck Knife Award with 11.

Texas Parks & Wildlife Expo, continued

Texas Hunter Education Instructors Association (T.H.E.I.A.) has agreed to generously pay for sandwiches and drinks to be distributed during noon work hours of Expo on Saturday and Sunday. We are going to have ARBY'S Market Fresh Sandwiches, which come with an apples, chips and cookies. The choices are usually ham or turkey, and if you were here the last few years, you know how tasty they are.

Come out and help Expo visitors get acquainted with the shooting sports, and other fun events. We have ordered good weather this year, so let us know if you are interested in attending and volunteering.

You might want to make your reservations at local hotels/motels now, because rooms are booking up rapidly. Call us for a listing of places.



Dear Sir:

I am 70 years old, been hunting since I was 13, spent 23 years in the military and recently went through the Texas Hunter Education Program at Gander Mountain in Beaumont. My instructors were Jack and Mary Beach. I really thought this would be a waste of time for me, but believe me, at my surprise, I learned more in this course than I did with all my previous experiences. I want to thank Jack and Mary, because they were kind, considerate and very professional. They took the time to make sure you understood how important this was. I personally feel that anyone who buys a hunting license should have to go through this course.

Thank you,
Robert L. Lloyd, Vidor



Pictured here is Philip Venter, son of IHEA Volunteer Board member, Theo Venter, from South Africa. The following is the story of Philip's first springbuck, according to Theo, and sent in via e-mail.

It started two or three years ago when I took him on a hunt with me and told him that one is old enough to hunt when you can carry your own gun. He had a lot of practise with my .22 and our air rifle and I new he was psychologically ready when he wanted to know when that time will arrive. Interestingly enough, the computer hunting game I got from IHEA did a wonderful bit of informal learning and it was demonstrated in the field when he made two observations while we were hunting. The first was when he took the rifle and told me that 'the barrel must always point in a safe direction!' The second thing he told me was whether it is the right time of day to hunt! He and his friend are playing that game continuously.

Philip Venter, who is actually Theodore Philip Venter II, is now in grade four and we were on the Blanco Game Ranch in the north of the North West Province, about 10 miles from the Botswana border. Here are a few interesting other facts. It took us two days of hunting before we decided the animal and the conditions were just right. The cost of the animal was R700.00 (\$100.00) and the camping fees were R100.00 (\$15.00) per day. Our hunt consisted of two Kudu, two Wildebeest/Gnu, two Impala and two Springbuck as well as lodging and was R12000.00 for four days which equals about \$1,700.00 U.S.

We used my .270 Tikka rifle with a 3.5-10 X 40 Leupold Vari-XIII scope. I was concerned that my usual loads (140gr Nosler Accubonds) at 2850 f/s were too stiff for the little lad, so I developed a reduced load of 35 gr. of S/335 (about the same as IMR 3031) pushing a Hornady 130gr bullet at 2300 f/s. Care must be taken to add filler because the propellant fills only about 50% of the case. These loads turned out to be very accurate at 100 meters.

Before the hunt, Philip and I went to the shooting range twice, for him to accustom himself with the larger rifle and the level of recoil. It paid off handsomely in the field. He took the shot at about 45 paces and it seems to me that I have just created another member of the global hunting fraternity.

Editor's Comment: How old is "old enough?" The decision on when to allow a youngster to begin hunting big game, or any game, fully rests with the parent or guardian as they should know the maturity level and physical ability of their youngster. I see that Theo came to that conclusion and has fully instructed his son in hunter education and all the safety considerations before allowing him to engage in these activities.

Congratulations Philip! That is a fine trophy. And, thanks to Theo, for bringing Philip up and sharing a love for hunting.

What a Nice Graduation Present!



Every now and then TPWD hears from students after they take their hunter education course. After assisting a father and son in locating a course, this e-mail came in a few weeks later. This photo shows Ryan Lesch, who took a nice black bear in Alaska with guide, Randy Smith in June of 2006. Here is a short summary from his dad, J. D. Page, attorney from Houston, who honored his son with a spring bear hunt as a graduation present from high school.

Dear TPWD:

Ryan and I hunted on the Tolovana River, northwest of Fairbanks, Alaska, from May 31-June 5. It got much colder than normal, even for 100 miles south of the Arctic Circle. It snowed on us after it warmed up one day, and the wind was blowing 30 m.p.h. We had ice in the wash basin frozen solid for the top inch or so. It was fairly chilly for tent camping on a river in June. It was light out 24 hours a day. The bears prefer to come out in the dimmest light, which is when it is coldest, so we left camp in the evening about 6:30 p.m. and hunted until 1:30 to 2 a.m.

We bow hunted four of the five days. The one day it was terribly windy when we left camp we took our rifles (didn't feel right about a bow shot with that wind and dressed up like the 'Michelin Man'), and that was the evening we got our bears. Ryan got this bear on June 3 with his 30-06 at 25 yards. Another evening Ryan was sitting in a natural pit left from where the root ball had been for two big spruce trees that had blown over, and he had a big bear walk up to within 12 feet of him as he sat with the ground at eye level – which probably made the bear look even bigger. He didn't move since it would have spooked the bear. Another night he had a big sow with two cubs come in close and the sow put the cubs up a tree and started growling and snapping her teeth, and it came in close on Ryan and Randy until Randy asked her to leave. The last night he had a bear come up on a trail behind him to within 15 yards; he heard it, turned his head and saw it over his shoulder at about 15 yards.

For anyone that is interested, the limit on black bears on the Tolovana where we hunted is three per year. A guy could tag three if he needed three bears to make him happy. Where we hunted, almost all of the black bears are all black, and there are very few with white markings or cinnamons, no glaciers or blues.

Ryan starts Trinity University in San Antonio in August, and he will remember the hunt. If anyone is interested in going on a fantastic hunt, I would recommend they contact Randy Smith at (907) 460-7044, 3000 Lakewood Loop, North Pole, Alaska, 99705, or e-mail him at: racsmith@alaska.net.

Editor's Comment: It is always great to be able to share experiences like this, and to see how important it is for families to go in the field and have special moments. I know J. D. is very proud of his son and will always remember this trip. Congratulations Ryan!

UPCOMING EVENTS

NRA TRAINING

Sept. 8-9 Kingsville
 Sept. 22-24 Weatherford
 Oct. 19-21 Monahans (Thurs-Sat)

Sept. 1 North and Central Zone Dove Season opens
 Sept. 8-10 NRA Pistol – Grand Prairie
 Sept. 8-9 IBEP Student/Inst Combo Course – Grand Prairie
 Sept. 8-9 Ethics Workshop – Grand Prairie
 Sept. 22 Special South Zone Dove Season Opens
 Sept. 23 National Hunting & Fishing Day
 Oct. 7-8 Texas Parks & Wildlife Expo – Austin
 Oct. 22-23 IBEP Student/Inst Combo Course – Corpus Christi

Be a Part of the Texas Youth Hunting Program

MISSION: The Texas Youth Hunting Program was established to increase the numbers of youths participating in wildlife and hunting activities and to promote the hunting heritage in Texas.

GOALS

- To preserve the hunting heritage in Texas for present and future generations.
- To instill in youth a basic understanding of practical conservation measures.
- To encourage wildlife habitat access, enhancement and management.
- To teach the basic skills, values, techniques and responsibilities of hunting.
- To promote the highest ethical standards in hunting.
- To give our youth an initial, positive, safe, educational, mentored hunting experience.

JOIN THE TEXAS YOUTH HUNTING PROGRAM

The Texas Wildlife Association (TWA) and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) joined forces a few years ago to offer youth hunts that are safe, educational and very affordable. TYHP sponsors introductory, instructive youth hunts for deer, turkey, hogs, javelina, exotics, dove, small game, waterfowl, varmints and other species. Normally, they provide mentors, lodging and meals for a very reasonable fee.

To join the Texas Youth Hunting Program, you must ...

- Be nine to 17 years old.
- Complete and submit the Texas Youth Hunting Program Application.

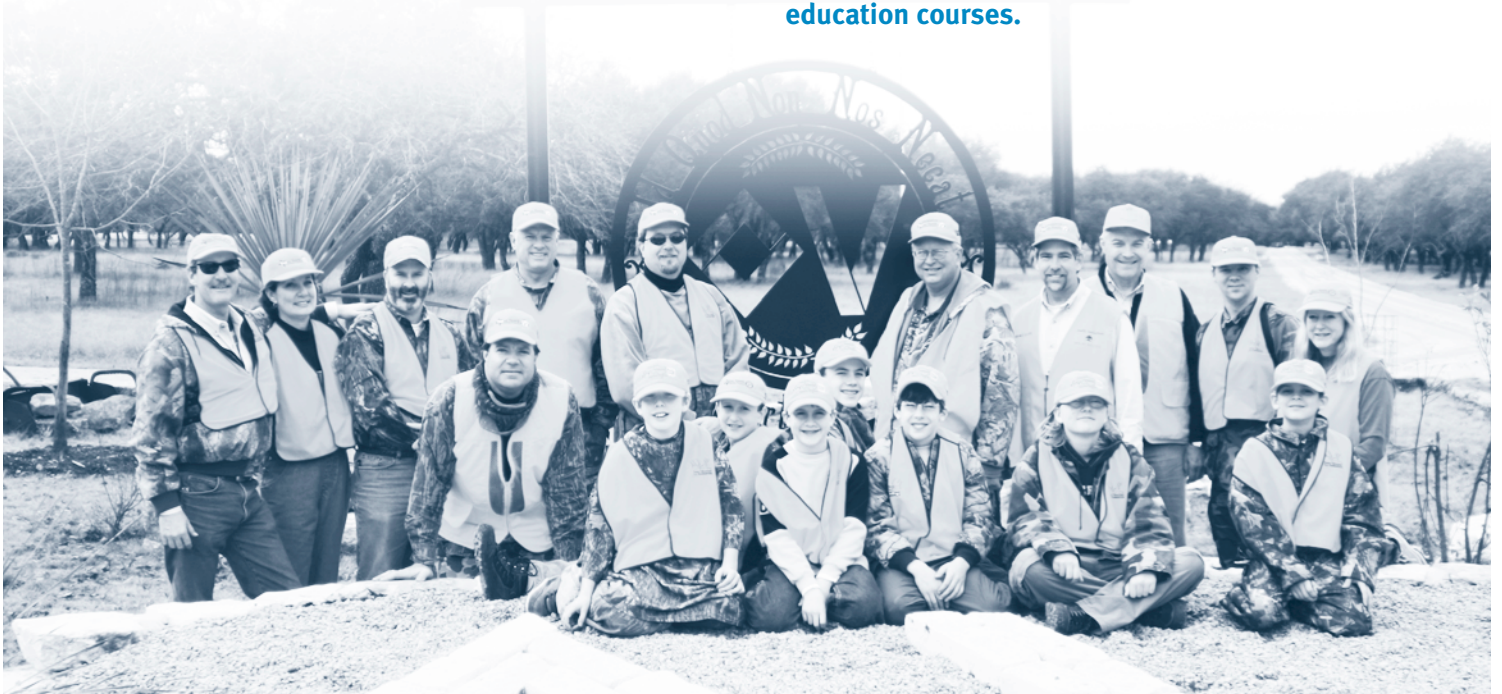
BECOME A VOLUNTEER

Only through the work and resources of volunteers can TYHP provide thousands of safe, educational and memorable hunting experiences. The entire program is based on volunteer landowners who open their ranch gates for youth hunters, and other volunteers who plan and run hunts. TYHP can provide everything for successful hunts – except hunting opportunities and dedicated personnel. “To preserve hunting experiences for our future generations” falls right in with what hunter education instructors are doing now. There are many opportunities to take an active role in this volunteer force. It takes thousands of volunteer hours each year to make TYHP successful.

TYHP volunteers ...

- Become Huntmasters, who train to plan, coordinate, manage and lead youth hunts.
- Oversee firearms instruction and supervise ranges.
- Conduct hunter education activities.
- Serve as guides.
- Provide medical expertise.
- And, very importantly, cook!

There are Huntmaster training workshops throughout the year in various locations around the state. Please call the office and they will put you on a mailing list to receive the schedule. The number is (800) 460-5494. Please announce these opportunities during hunter education courses.



TEXAS GAME WARDEN FIELD NOTES



Don't poach in front of the game warden's home

On March 1, two game wardens were returning from a public hearing in Carthage. Approximately one mile from one of the game warden's home, they observed a vehicle stopped in the middle of the road. Subjects were observed putting something in the back of the pickup truck. When the subjects were approached, they advised they were coon hunting but could not get the spotlight to work. Upon further investigation, it was found that both subjects did not have a hunting license, driver license or insurance, and an open container of alcohol was in the vehicle.

It's some kind of animal, and someone killed it

On June 20, a Cherokee County game warden received information from his partner about a deer carcass that had been dumped on a county road. The game warden proceeded to contact a local county constable, who had the person in custody for illegal dumping of televisions and the deer carcass. The game warden interviewed the Jacksonville man, who said he found the deer on his property and just wanted it off his property. The game warden went to the subject's house and found where the deer had been cleaned and found quartered deer meat in the freezer. The subject told the game warden the meat was from a butchered cow. He later confessed that he did not shoot the deer but let his friend clean the deer at his house. The game warden and constable made contact with the friend. He confessed to shooting the deer, but said he thought the deer was a goat. Cases pending.

If they'd been better shots, they would have gotten bigger fines

On March 11 at approximately 10 a.m., a Pecos County game warden received a call from the sheriff's office in reference to a suspicious vehicle with blood running out of the bed of the truck. The game warden located the vehicle and made contact with the driver. Suspects first told the game warden that the blood was from a coyote. Further investigation revealed the driver and passenger had killed one white-tailed doe and one mule deer doe from the public road at approximately 2 a.m. The suspects, one juvenile and one 17-year-old, admitted to shooting at approximately six deer during their excursion but had managed to kill only two. Several charges were filed as well as civil restitution.

That had to be a sinking feeling

On June 5, the Camp County sheriff contacted the local game warden and requested help in the recovery of a vehicle sunk in Lake Bob Sandlin. The proud owner of a 2006 F-150 Ford pickup had driven to his lake house to retrieve a battery charger. He got out of his truck and turned around in time to see the truck race down the hill and into the lake. The truck floated for a short time before it sank approximately 50 feet from shore in 15 feet of water. The game warden was asked to scuba dive and connect a chain to the bumper hitch. When the vehicle was pulled from the lake, it was discovered that gearshift was in reverse instead of park. The vehicle had only 5,000 miles on the odometer and a beautiful leather interior.

Dove Hunters Can Make a Difference

The contribution that dove hunters make to the Texas economy is well documented—it fuels a \$200 million state industry, generates \$11 million annually in sales tax and creates 3,750 jobs. Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, however, is looking to dove hunters for another kind of contribution—answers—and that information can come through reports of leg-banded doves that are harvested. The bands are very small and easy to overlook. Previous studies indicated two-thirds of banded doves taken by hunters were never reported. High reporting rates maximize return on hunting license dollars spent for needed management information.

Please report bands to the toll-free telephone number (800) 327-2263 or on the Internet at: www.pwrc.usgs.gov/bbl

A decline in dove hunting, though not from sport hunting, makes calling the toll-free number on the tiny band all the more important.

Kudos

Duke Walton is Winchester Finalist

Once again, a Texas instructor was a finalist for the prestigious Winchester Volunteer Hunter Education Instructor of the Year Award for 2005. The award has been given for the past 19 years and Texas has had a runner-up 11 times and has had the top winner three times. Duke was first runner-up behind Al Peccheninno from California.

Duke has been in the program since 1988, has taught 125 student courses and certified 1,337 students. He has been exceptionally helpful to Heidi Rao in the Southeast Texas area. He is currently the President of the Texas Hunter Education Instructor Association and is heavily involved with multiple other projects including the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation and the National Wild Turkey Federation.



L to R: Steve Hall, Mary Ann Ventress (Winchester Event Marketing Representative), Saralyn Walton, Duke Walton, Heidi Rao and Terry Erwin

He became an Area Chief and has recruited and certified 22 new instructors. After certifying each instructor, he follows up with each one helping them set up courses. Duke also invites the new instructors to help him teach courses to gain experience before getting out on their own. During hunting season, Duke invites his instructors and takes them hunting on his own lease along with numerous youth participants.

Congratulations Duke! We appreciate your efforts and are very proud of you.

Gene Norton Has His Day

The following proclamation was issued honoring one of TPWD's outstanding instructors.

WHEREAS, Walter Gene Norton was a professional educator and coach in the Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District; and

WHEREAS, Walter Gene Norton has taught over 241 hunter education classes and certified over 6,000 students; and

WHEREAS, Walter Gene Norton was inducted into the Texas Hunter Education Hall of Fame in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Walter Gene Norton was named Sportsmen Conservationist of Texas "Volunteer Instructor of the Year" in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Walter Gene Norton in his career with the GCCISD has had a positive impact and influence on countless Baytown Jr. High students and others; and

WHEREAS, Walter Gene Norton is a clear example of what giving back is all about,

THEREFORE, I, Calvin Munding, Mayor of the city of Baytown, do hereby proclaim May 11, 2006 as

Walter "Gene" Norton Day in Baytown

And I urge the citizens of Baytown to join me in congratulating him on being an outstanding asset to our community. May God continue to bless you.

Editor's Comment: Congratulations Gene. We are very proud of you and all you have done for TPWD.



Albert Ross Receives Award

During the annual IHEA conference recently held in Atlanta, GA, Area Chief Albert Ross, from Arlington, was honored with a “Past President Award” for his dedication and volunteer services done on behalf of the IHEA. Albert has been the pro bono attorney and counsel for the IHEA over the last 10-12 years. His services have been very valuable and extremely important during this time. Shown here is Albert (right) accepting the award from Terry Erwin during the IHEA Benefit Shoot held in San Antonio in June. On an additional note, Albert is also the THEIA pro bono attorney and has been very instrumental and helpful with that organization. Congratulations and many thanks, Albert!

Shown here is the spring turkey taken by Don Murray of Waxahachie. It had a 10" beard, 1" spurs and weighed 22 pounds. It was taken near Coleman on the weekend of Don's 50th birthday.

Congratulations Don, and Happy Birthday!



Bragg Named NWTF Wildlife Officer of the Year

Brian Heath Bragg, a six-year veteran Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Game Warden, has been named 2005 Texas Wildlife Officer of the Year by the Texas State Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation.

Bragg was recognized during the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission public hearing on April 6. The award was created in 2000 by the NWTF to recognize top state, federal and provincial officers who demonstrate a high level of professionalism and dedication to wildlife resources.

“The job Heath has done to protect our state's wildlife resources and ensure future generations have the opportunity to hunt wild turkeys is greatly appreciated,” said J.B. Wynn, NWTF Texas Chapter president.15363

Bragg's law enforcement efforts while stationed in Tyler County resulted in a number of significant cases involving game law violations on eastern wild turkeys, including an investigation and ultimate conviction of a man for taking a mature eastern gobbler during closed season.

Bragg also assisted Stephen F. Austin University researchers in a three-year cooperative agreement tracking eastern turkeys. He radio-tracked eastern turkeys with transmitters and recorded data, determined mortality and health and geographically plotted movement.

In his current duties in Angelina County, Bragg focuses his patrolling efforts on enforcing laws against poaching and hunting from public roadways. Congratulations Brian!

New Boater Education Coordinator Hired at Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

By Steve Hall, TPWD Education Director

Brandi Bradford is the new statewide Boater Education Coordinator for Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and began her new job on Monday, July 3.

Brandi is excited to be coming back to Texas after 11 years of federal service. She grew up in Austin and graduated from Texas A&M University in 1994 with a B.S. degree in Recreation, Park and Tourism Science, specializing in Natural Resources Management. She began her service in the field as a seasonal employee with TPWD at McKinney Falls State Park in 1995. She then embarked on a career with the National Park Service as seasonal and permanent park ranger, specializing in interpretive and environmental education. Her experience with the service took her to places such as the Florida Everglades and Kauai, Hawaii. She also worked as Outdoor Recreation Planner with the service and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. She advocated for recreation interests around the country, specializing in hydropower licensing cases.

For the past three years, Brandi worked as Supervisory Park Ranger for Lake Berryessa, a Bureau of Reclamation facility in Napa County, California. She implemented a new training program for ranger staff, created a park Web site and started a new outreach, education and interpretation program for the site. She supervised many staff that patrolled and interacted with a large number of visitors at the lake.

As the new Texas Boater Education Coordinator, she will lead an effort to revise the boater education instructor Program, Policy and

Procedures manual, enhance boater education's Web presence, meet with home study and Internet course providers and re-launch the program's newsletter, *Staying Afloat*. Brandi will work, internally, with Austin-based Communications and Law Enforcement division staff, especially the marketing, magazine and news and information branches and the boat law and marine administrators, Al Campos and Willie Gonzalez. Her immediate goal is to see how the boater education program can effectively reach more people.

To help reach that goal and to learn more about the current program, Brandi plans to meet immediately with field staff specialists Selverio Pacleb (Dallas/Fort Worth) and Phil Steffen (Houston) and with retired coordinator, Jack Dyess, to learn all she can about the needs, priorities and accomplishments of staff and volunteers in a program that has existed since the mid-seventies. She also will visit with key area chiefs, volunteers, game wardens, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, U.S. Power Squadrons, river authority staff, personal watercraft liveries, water safety councils and others to learn all she can from partners and experts in the field.

(Editor's Note: Certainly looks like a big year ahead!) 8444

Brandi is enthusiastic about joining the hunter and boater education branch team and getting back close to her family and roots in Austin. Please join staff in welcoming Brandi as new boater education program statewide coordinator!

Chris Lena Moves On

Effective June 1, Chris Lena took a position as Information Specialist with the department's Wildlife Division. So, if you ever call the Wildlife Information section and want some particular publication or have a question, you will likely get Chris on the phone. Give him a call, wish him the best and get some extra information on wildlife. His knowledge of TPWD and wildlife is much more in line with his degree, and he is much happier sharing that with the public. We will miss him, but we congratulate him on his new position. 611

New Area Chief

Joe Drobniak from Friendswood was recently certified and will cover Galveston County and assist with the surrounding area. He has been busy setting up courses and is also going to be an instructor trainer in IBEP. He assists Heidi Rao with setting up various programs and has attended numerous workshops over the last three years. Congratulations Joe, and welcome as a new AC.

Welcome New Instructors

If you recognize any of these folks who might live near you, please give them a call and ask if you can help them get started. Remember, it is always appreciated when you lend a helping hand.

April

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Meghan Marler
Travis Herrera Holder
Selverio Pacleb
William Krebs
Russell Roberts
Timothy Acuff
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Austin Blaney
Emily Bieniek
Cary Ostrander
William Crockett
Tayni Crockett
David Brister
Amy Anz
Cristin De La Cruz

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Clifton
Edinburg

Be SURE Before You Shoot Video Produced by TPWD Wildlife Division

A new training video in DVD or VHS is now available for use by instructors who wish to provide instructional information to waterfowl hunters on proper identification of species when hunting geese and sandhill cranes. Being a responsible hunter means taking time to prepare before going.

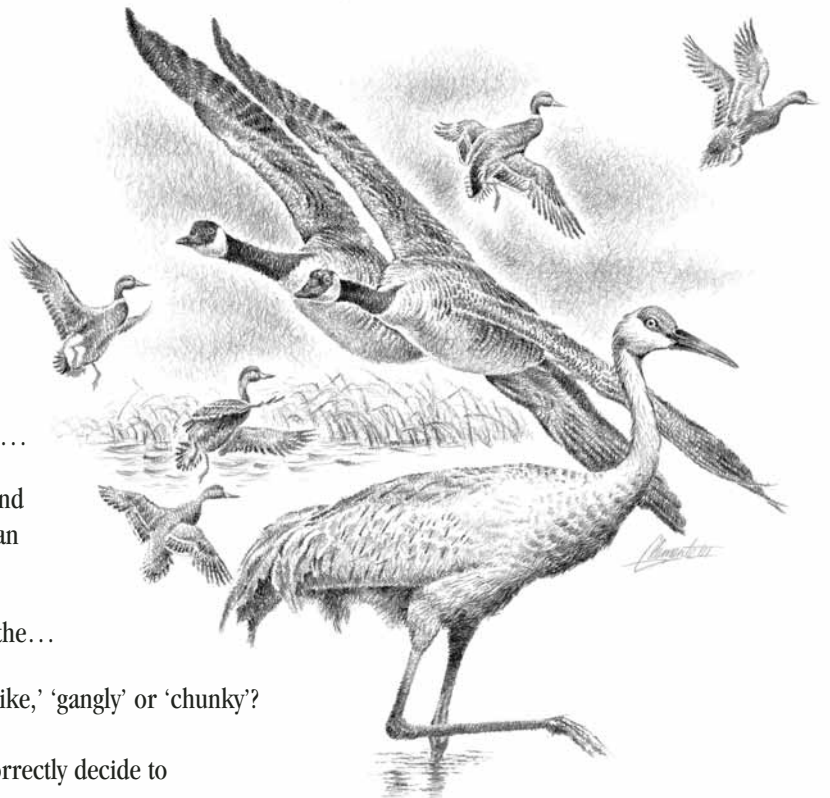
Think FLAPSS before you pull the trigger. Review the hunting regulations in the Waterfowl Hunting Digest. Study the identifying illustrations of legal game birds, and then in the field, ask yourself these questions:

What is the:

- F** Formation or structure of the flock? Are there enough birds to determine if they are flying uniformly together such as in a "V" shape or line? If not, are there...
- L** Light and dark pattern or distinguishable colors? Are they between me and the sun (i.e., in a shadow)? If so, what is the...
- A** Action of motion of their wings? Is a steady, uniform or intermittent with pauses or lulls in shallow-rapid or slow-deep wing beats? If this does not give you a clue, then is the...
- P** Pattern of flight – close to the ground or water, undulating and wavy or steady? If you still can't determine what it is, then can you hear the...
- S** Sound of their wings or calls? If not, then be sure to check the...
- S** Shape, silhouette or profile. Is it 'pear,' 'tear-drop,' 'arrow-like,' 'gangly' or 'chunky'?

Practice deliberate but quick answers to these six questions to correctly decide to "Shoot" or "Don't Shoot."

Remember these questions by the acronym or mnemonic: FLAPSS. **When in doubt, Don't Shoot!**



High Schools Donate Meat to Hunters for the Hungry

From Texas Association of Community Action Agencies

Hunters for the Hungry, one of the hunger relief programs administered by the Texas Association of Community Action Agencies, Inc. (TACAA), ended the season with some great accomplishments.

Hunters for the Hungry is a wild game donation program encouraging hunters, meat processors and landowners to donate meat to families in need. Over 85 meat processors participated and processed over 177,000 pounds of meat in the 2005-2006 season.

Eight high schools across the state participated in the statewide Hunters for the Hungry program. One returning high school meat processing facility and seven first-time participants teamed up with Hunters for the Hungry for the 2005-2006 season to process meat and donate it to families in need in their communities.

High school meat processing facilities that are licensed by the Texas Department of State Health Services offer students a hands-on learning experience. Hunters for the Hungry also works with Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to donate meat to local agencies by partnering with landowners who need to control the deer population.



Cam Rojas and Scott Andon process meat at Clear Creek High School in January, 2006

Hunters for the Hungry continues to build on its program by involving landowners and high schools to make a bigger impact in Texas.

Use your hunting experience to help your community. Call (800) 992-9767 ext. 506 to find a meat processor near you or visit www.tacaa.org/hunters.htm

KATHY'S KORNERS

Hi folks. Yep, it's me again. I have been pulling double duty because I have been shipping orders since Chris Lena has been gone. We should have someone in place by the time you read this, so things are looking up. Please schedule your courses in our computer (early) so students can locate them, especially right before hunting season.

Remember to use up the 6" X 9" self-addressed, postage-paid envelopes, because we will be mailing out the new 10" X 13" self address envelopes when the smaller ones are gone. These new envelopes will require you to pay the postage, but with fee changes, this should be only a small expense. Besides, they should help you mail all records in one envelope now.

We have a number of videos available for use. We have the Silvertip Video, Home Study Video Packet, Tree Stand Video and we have a few Alan Madison Videos with "Survival, Firearm Safety and the Hunter, and Hunter's Path" on them. Please let me know if you want any of these, since we have to distribute them before August 31. We will be ordering the 4 in 1 video (Deer Hunting A Focus on Ethics, Modern Firearms, Field Care of Game, and Using Airguns the Right Way) next time in DVD if you are interested in obtaining one of those.

We are all caught up on entering records, so remember you have seven (7) days to get them into our office. Until next time, keep up the great job and let me know if I can help you in any way.

K A T H Y

For Your Information

From NSSF

\$523 Million to Fish and Wildlife Agencies

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will distribute more than **\$523 million in excise taxes** paid by America's recreational shooters, hunters, anglers and boaters, to state fish and wildlife agencies to support fish and wildlife conservation and education programs. With this distribution, the nation's preeminent wildlife management funding mechanisms will mark a major milestone. "Both the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish and Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration accounts have passed the \$5 billion mark," said Interior Secretary Gale Norton. "That means that since establishment of these crucial programs in 1950 and 1937 respectively, anglers and hunters have paid more than \$10 billion for fish and wildlife management. By supporting these excise taxes, sportsmen and women are contributing critical funds for maintaining and restoring our fish and wildlife resources." The Wildlife Restoration apportionment for 2006 totals more than \$233 million, with nearly \$42 million going for hunter education and shooting range programs across the United States.

Child Safety Lock Act Goes Into Effect

Started on April 24, licensed firearms retailers are required to provide a safety device to all handgun purchasers, as stipulated in The Child Safety Lock Act of 2005, which is Section 5 of the Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act. ATF has notified all FFL holders of the act and posted a notice on its Web site. ATF has not yet published implementing regulations, so NSSF recommends that dealers attach a statement or write on the Form 4473s involving handguns certifying that the transferee has been provided with a secure gun storage or safety device. Some exceptions to the law exist, such as transfers between licensed dealers, and ATF has said it soon will post a question-and-answer section at www.atf.gov to clarify the legislation. For additional information, call the Firearms Programs Division at (202) 927-7770 or call your local ATF office.

Duck Numbers Up

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has released its preliminary report on western breeding ducks and habitats, based on surveys conducted in May. Overall duck populations increased 14 percent from last year, highlighted by an eight percent increase in mallards and a 32 percent in pintails. An estimated 36.2 million breeding ducks are taking advantage of habitat conditions that are improved from last year, thanks to a warm winter and good precipitation.

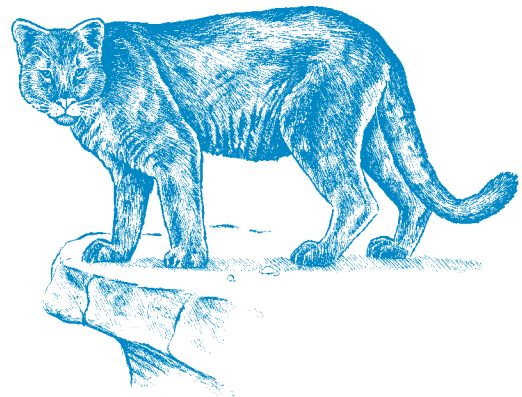
From TPWD

New in the Outdoor Annual

During courses students often ask how to find out when "sunrise and sunset" hours are or where to find the information since legal shooting hours are associated with those times. Check out the Web site below for those times and advise your students that they can look on **page 53** under "**Hunting General Information**" and on **page 69** under "**OPEN SEASONS, BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS (Migratory Game Birds)**" in the Outdoor Annual to find this Web site www.sunrisesunset.com/usa/Texas.asp if they forget.

New Mountain Lion Procedure Ready

A new TPWD procedural document, the "Mountain Lion-Human Interaction Response Procedure" has been approved at headquarters and will go out in hard copy this month to all Wildlife, State Parks and Law Enforcement division regional offices. The procedure is the outcome of an interdivisional working group involving state park managers, wildlife biologists, game wardens and education, interpretation and communication professionals in the three resource divisions, plus Communications Division. It provides direction and guidance for TPWD employees concerning timely, consistent and effective responses to mountain lion-human interactions in Texas.



Training Efforts and Workshops

Texas Hosts First TMA Treestand Workshops

Treestand Manufacturers Association (TMA) along with the National Bowhunter Education Foundation (NBEF) joined efforts to develop a new informational workshop to teach instructors how to teach about treestand safety. Incidents involving elevated treestands have been the least reported of all injuries associated with hunting activities for many years. Texas hosted the first two of these workshops to begin the process and assist the group with further development of training and for providing this information in a timely and precise fashion. Several items of concern were brought up and many notes were taken to enhance the process. The TMA and NBEF are very near in reaching the final curricula for distribution to instructors.

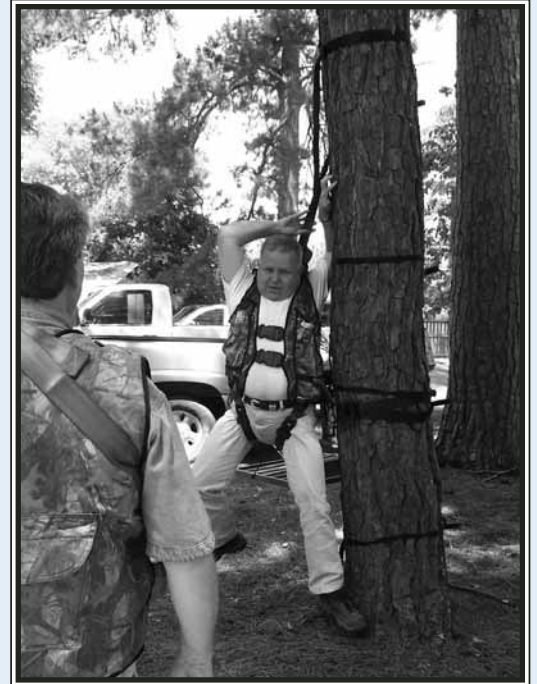
Hopefully, game wardens and conservation officers will begin to fill out a new Elevated Treestand Incident Reporting form developed in cooperation with the IHEA and NBEF this year, in order to learn more and assist with lowering these incidents. Injuries as a result of falls from elevated hunting locations can be very serious, debilitating and sometimes fatal.



I attended the Treestand Workshop on Friday and Saturday in Nacogdoches. I had a great time and learned quite a bit. I found both Mr. Louk and Mr. Smith to be personable and caring about this cause. The outdoor hands-on portion was a big help as I found a few things I might have been doing wrong, and even a thing or two I might not have been doing at all. I am looking forward to passing my info along to others now. Just wanted everyone to know it was a great class.

Curtis Ansley

Shown here is Area Chief Joe Rogers, who found out how important these workshops are. Joe demonstrates what can happen if one does not properly use the full-body harness and properly attach it to the tree in order to return to the stand within a very short period of time. This position, if not altered or changed by the victim, can lead to eventual death. The condition resulting from the pooling of blood in the lower extremities is known as “suspension trauma.”



Game Warden Dale Moses demonstrates some of the safety aspects of climbing while using the full body harness and the safety attachments required.



The Grand Prairie Treestand Workshop was a huge success as you can see by the attendance. John Louk and L. J. Smith did a great job providing excellent information, while taking notes from participants for upgrading future workshops.

Wildlife Workshop

Area Chief Claude Hicks and the Arlington Sportman's Club in Mansfield hosted an informative wildlife workshop, entitled Focus on Deer. The instructors for the workshop were Rick Knipe, a TPWD Biologist and Ricky Linex, a Wildlife Biologist with the Natural Resources Conservation Service. The instructors gave excellent presentations and shared detailed knowledge including population census techniques, habitat requirements, plant identification, palatable forbs and browse, aging deer in the field and harvest data statistics.



Texas Tech Graduates

Jimmie Caughron held a New Instructor Workshop for these graduating seniors from the Ag. Education Department at Texas Tech in Lubbock. Most will go into teaching but some will seek employment elsewhere. TPWD tries to certify new graduates, especially those who will teach Ag.-381 curricula in high school. So far, staff has trained graduates from Tarleton State University, Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas A&M University in Kingsville, Sam Houston State University, Texas State University and Texas Tech University.



Wetlands Management Workshop

To the right is the group photo from the July 7-8 Wetlands Management (including Alligator and Waterfowl) Workshop which was conducted by staff at the J.D. Murphree WMA in Port Arthur. Participants enjoyed a boat tour Friday evening and were certified as alligator spotlight counters. Saturday the group toured more areas to learn how to capture and band waterfowl, set lines to capture alligators, and then had a classroom session explaining these methods in greater detail. For lunch they visited "Gator Country" in Beaumont and participated in a tour to watch experienced alligator handlers discuss the 'residents' at this facility.

Ethics, Responsibility and Game Laws Workshop



Area Chiefs John Meekins, Duke Walton and Joe Drobnik held this workshop recently in Cleveland. It is one of the best workshops given and it was a pleasure to see those who turned out. Special thanks to the game wardens that were on hand to provide game law information.

Basic Archer Instructor Trainer Workshops

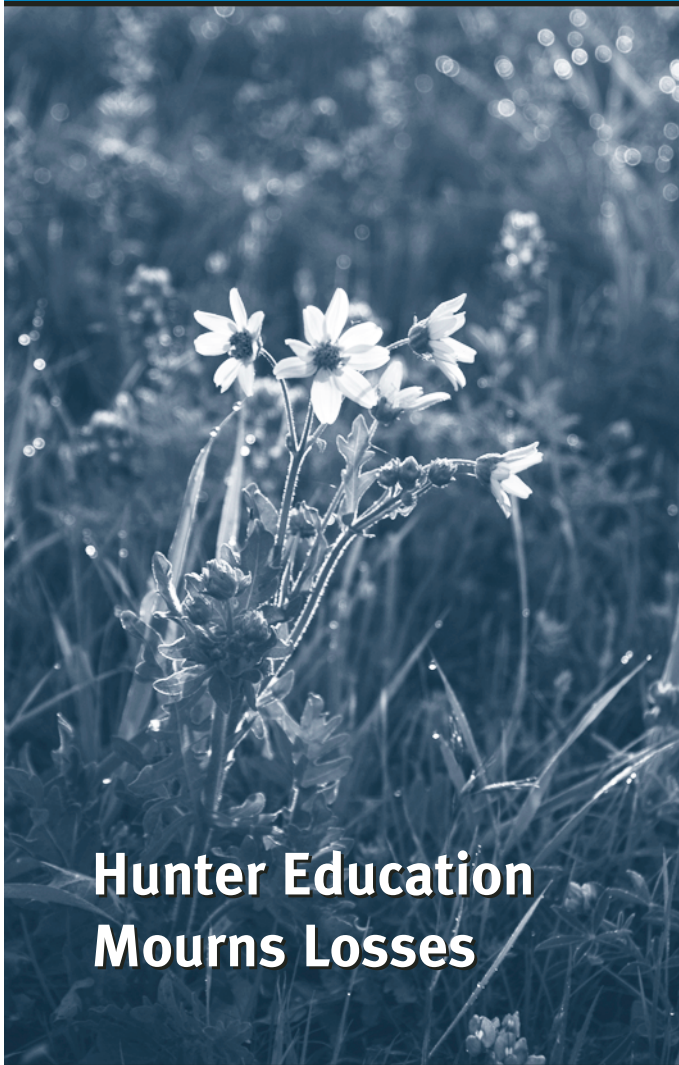


In addition to these new instructors there were two 14-year-olds who attended the BAI. They were certified as “Assistant BAI” and it was indicated on their wallet cards and certificates. Staff decided if they stay involved, which they should (both are heavily involved in Scouts with their fathers), they can become full BAI trainers when they turn 18. It was so good to see the youth so involved, and they were great shots too!

Those certified (left to right) were: Heidi Rao (Houston – Hunter Education Specialist and Workshop Host), Raul Ramirez (Houston), Roger Kroschel (Freeport), Gerry Scheuber (Tyler), Maria Sweet (McKinney – TPWD Outreach Specialist) and NASP certifying instructor, Norm McMinn (Grandview).



Jimmie Caughron hosted this workshop in El Paso.



Hunter Education Mourns Losses

HAROLD PHILLIPS, from Iowa Park, passed away Thursday, March 30. Besides being a Hunter Ed Instructor and Area Chief, Harold served in the National Guard, was a BSA Scout Leader, a charter member of the Wichita County Young Farmers, board member of the Highland Cemetery Association, Elder in the Valley View Country Church, and played in the Red River Blue Grass Club. He is survived by his wife of over 50 years, Wanda Jean, two daughters, one son, 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. He will truly be missed by many.

RANDALL SCHMITT, one of the Grand Prairie Gun Club Hunter Education instructors, died April 1 after a long bout with cancer. A memorial was held on April 29 at the Little Chapel in the Woods in east Fort Worth. The remaining GPGC instructors will miss him as will we all.

DALE TURNER, from Plano, died on July 12 after a long and hard battle with cancer. Dale had been an instructor since 2000, and will be remembered for helping plan and make major contributions to the Annual Instructor Conference in Irving in 2003. Dale purchased some land in Coleman County and spent the past couple years fixing it to be a showplace where he could take youth on hunting adventures. Dale always had a smile and never met a stranger. He will be missed.



Ever wonder why you occasionally couldn't get through to our office when you called?

Here is a summary of the phone calls that come in during the year that we answer directly. As you can see, they begin to take an increase in August just before dove season. When hunting season is in full swing, September thru December, one can see how busy we are just on the phone. If you can't reach us, keep trying, we are here.

LINE	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY
1	205	320	549	717	3157	1753	1487	716	491	264	340	221	273
2	7	9	49	98	583	244	220	44	33	12	10	8	29
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NEW ITEMS & INSTRUCTOR DISCOUNTS

New “Mount and Shoot” Adaptive Device Available

Photo shows the rifle mount accessory. The rifle mount can rotate up, down, left, right, tilt left or right and slide along the top rail right or left. The mount can also slide forward or backward and can swing out or in.

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Complimentary Resources for Instructors

A complimentary packet of new resources from the **USP Bore Paste Division of the United States Products Company** is now available for Hunter Education Instructors! This packet includes a comprehensive new video, “The Proper Cleaning & Care of Firearms, A Step-By-Step Educational DVD to Help Optimize Firearm Accuracy,” one of USP’s new “Score Big!” Combo Packs featuring a tube of USP Bore Paste – a non-toxic formula that removes fouling from firearms – and a bottle of complementing USP Gun Cleaning Oil. Also included is a packet of USP bookmarks to hand out to your students. Bearing an inspirational quote by Theodore Roosevelt, these unique “Bookmarks To Keep You Right On Mark” are dedicated to the men and women who are out there in the arena every day training the world’s youth about the heritage and values of outdoor life. New shooters can gaze through special holes punched in the bookmarks to determine their ‘dominant eye,’ which is the best shooting eye. Hunter Education Instructors may order a complimentary USP Gun Cleaning DVD, product Combo Pack and packet of bookmarks by calling (800) 359-2628 or logging on to www.uspborepaste.com.

Discounted Archery Accessories



Jim Litmer has offered a considerable discount to instructors on **Third Hand Archery Accessories**. For a complete look at the products and to obtain a cost, please visit their Web site at www.thirdhandarchery.com or contact them at 10137 Timbercreek Drive, Union, KY 41091 or (800) 339-0232. These are some of the best products on the market and will come in handy in teaching courses and showing student the new products or while actually hunting.

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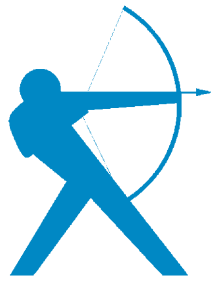
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North American Bowhunting Coalition Rejects “Hunting” Contest

The World Hunting Association has announced that it has developed a “non-fatal” hunting technique that would be utilized in televised captive big game “hunting” competitions. This proposal has generated a firestorm of criticism from the nation’s hunters.

Among the leading critics is the North American Bowhunting Coalition (NABC) that represents more than 80 state and provincial-level bowhunting associations.

According to WHA publicity releases, competitors called “professional hunters” would compete with one another for prize money by “hunting” deer and other animals that were confined in escape-proof enclosures with gun or bow. Drug laden projectiles, darts from guns or arrows from bows, would tranquilize the animal upon being hit and, thus, would be scored as a “kill.”

“The shooting of game animals within high fenced enclosures is a questionable practice in its own right,” said Denny Ballard, Chairman of the NABC. “Adding drug-tipped projectiles to the process and the public spectacle of “hunters gloating over the paralyzed body of a deer would do irreparable harm to ethical hunting. It is contrary to why we hunt. Hunting is a time honored tradition and should not be a competition between humans.”

Most hunters, the NABC feels, abide by fair chase hunting rules as their guide. Wild game animals respectfully hunted are the products of natural selection as the result of sportsmen-supported conservation programs.

The NABC is strongly opposed to the tranquilizing of captive game animals, as though it were hunting, and to the World Hunting Association’s intent to conduct televised captive game animal competitive “hunts” for monetary prizes. This entire concept is an affront to the fair chase standards accepted by today’s hunters.

Letters

Dear Staff: Again, many thanks. I feel that I can say we (our I.B.E.P. Instructor Group) has always been ahead of the pack on Tree Stand Safety. However, I feel we are equipped with even better information now. I guess what I am trying to say is we really knew a lot going in but came out learning even more. This will help us to teach our students how to protect themselves in the event of a fall. This is something that is always in the back of our mind. We love to share the passion with all of our students. The course we had with the two of you will now allow us to share and safeguard our students even better. Thank you for your response and your time, information provided and your knowledge. I want to wish the best to both of you.

Always!

David Lassatter, IBEP Instructor

Dear Staff: I attended the bow hunter education course, which was taught recently out at Camp Bullis. Millie and Rick Holland and the additional instructors who work with them are exceptional. The level of enthusiasm they bring to the course is absolutely remarkable. I have been hunting with a bow for over 30 years, but still learned some things. Portions of their course have applicability to the regular hunter education courses which are taught. They have an outstanding PowerPoint presentation with photographs of the portion of their course they utilize to teach the tracking of wounded game. I intend to utilize it in teaching my next hunter education course this fall, and I suspect that because of the quality of work done on this PowerPoint, it may be something that you would want to send around to other instructors in the state for them to also utilize it. If anyone is interested, they might contact Rick Holland.

Very truly yours,
Robert G. Newman, San Antonio

New Archery Hall of Fame Opens

The Archery Hall of Fame & Museum, Inc. will hold its 23rd Induction covering 2004, 2005 and 2006 on Friday, Sept. 22, 2006, in the White River Room at Bass Pro Shops Outdoor World in Springfield, MO. Tickets for the induction dinner are available at \$40.00 each.

Those interested should contact: Diane Miller, Executive Director
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It is the mission of The Archery Hall of Fame & Museum, Inc. to honor those outstanding members of the archery community through the process of induction into its Hall of Fame. As an integral part of its existence, the Hall seeks to preserve the history and tradition of Archery and Bowhunting for future generations. To educate and inform those persons wishing to pursue their interest in Archery and Bowhunting, the Hall seeks to establish, maintain and operate a museum and library as a repository for memorabilia, literature and research material related to the Sport of Archery for the public to view and for scholars to utilize as a resource in researching the sport and industry of archery. 12888

NEW IBEP INSTRUCTORS

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James Lewis	Grand Prairie
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Maria Sweet	McKinney
Michelle Mount	Fort Worth
William Turner	Ovilla
Danny Long	Midlothian
Michael McCall	Fort Worth
Jesse Stevens	Fort Worth

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James Davis	Pasadena

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