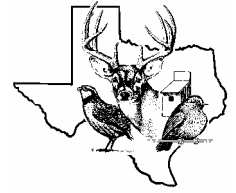


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Oldest Buck and Spike Contests

In an effort to encourage hunters to learn to estimate the age of bucks by their physical characteristics and behavior *before* harvesting them, and to let quality bucks live to older age classes while still keeping pressure on lower quality young bucks, the Association will again have an Oldest Buck contest and a drawing for any member registering a spike (at least one unbranched antler). To be eligible, all bucks must have been harvested in Lee County this upcoming season, and be registered by a TPWD biologist.

Registering a harvested buck will also enter the hunter in the six-county drawing with many great prizes. Deer heads cannot be frozen at time of registration and the jaw bone must be attached. In the event of a tie for the oldest buck, the winner will be the buck with the highest gross Boone & Crockett score.

Call me to register your deer so I can collect age and antler measurements. **My phone numbers are (H) 979-884-2710 (C) 979-255-8480 Greg Pleasant.**

Remember the Wildlife Photo Contest

We will be having the photo contest again this year. We will be displaying the photos using a projection system during our annual meeting, so more people will get to enjoy the photos.

as many photos as you like, j-peg format for digital or unframed 8 x 10's are preferred, but 4 x 6's will be accepted. Printed photos will be scanned for the presentation.

You can submit photos electronically or bring them on paper, whichever you prefer. We will have the two categories, general and trail camera. The only rules are that the photo was taken this year in Lee County of a living animal. You must have your photos into the Lee County Extension Office or Greg Pleasant's office in person or by e-mail by January 9th. You can enter

The directors will be judging the photos and awards will be given at the annual meeting on February 2nd. Please have your name, which category (general or trail), phone number with or on the back of each photo. The association will not be responsible for returning photos, but you can make arrangements to pick them-up after they are digitized for the presentation.

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We are now on the web! If you haven't checked out our new website yet, you need to go and look at it. It is a good resource for information. Now new landowners that see the signs but don't know how to find out about the Association can find out online. If you have any suggestions of what you would like to see added, please contact Mary Ann Schubert or one of your directors. Contact information is on the website contacts page.

Trapping Demonstration

Professional trapper David Pilgrim will be giving a demonstration on predator management techniques including trapping and snaring. The program will be at the Lincoln Community Center on Tuesday, October 24th, starting at 5 pm.

Mr. Pilgrim will be teaching at our youth shooting and hunter safety event earlier in the day.

Help Needed With The Youth Shooting Event

The Lee County Wildlife Management Association and Texas Parks and Wildlife will be hosting the second annual Youth Shooting and Hunter Safety Event on Tuesday October 24, at Nails Creek Park on Lake Summerville. We will be hosting approximately 60 Lee County high school students for a day of safety with firearms, and hunter safety and education. Each student will have the opportunity shoot archery, shotgun, pistols and rifles, including black powder in a safe and controlled situation. We will have eight stations that the students will rotate through and a picnic lunch will be provided.

It takes about 25 people to make this event happen. If you think this is a worthy program please come and help. If you do not think this is a good event please come and see it, I think you will change your mind.

We need 8 more people that can come out and help. You could simply escort the groups to each station or help with one of the events. We will find a spot for you. If you can help please contact one of your directors or Greg Pleasant.

Thank You.

Cost Sharing for Food Plots

The Lee County WMA wants to encourage members to plant food plots this fall for wildlife, if we get rain.

Purchase any wildlife food plot seed from any store and we will reimburse you for half

The LCWMA will provide up to \$25 in matching funds (you spend 50 dollars, we reimburse you \$25 dollars) for the purchase of seed to plant wildlife food plots in Lee County. To take advantage of this offer please bring a copy of your receipt to The Lee County Extension Office.

Purchase any wildlife food plot seed and we will reimburse you for half of the cost up to \$25.00. This offer is only good for current seed purchases to be planted in Lee County this year and for current paid members. The deadline for bringing in receipts is December 1st.

Getting a soil test is always money well spent. Most food plot failures can be avoided by having the correct pH and adding fertilizer if needed.

Fall Co-op Meeting Schedule

Two Creeks October 5

Two Creeks will have their meeting at the pavilion at Nails Creek Park on Lake Somerville on Thursday October 5th starting at 5:00pm. The program will be about big cats in central Texas and a barbecue meal will be served.

South Lee October 6

The South Lee meeting will be held at the Serbin Picnic Grounds on Friday, October 6th. Social hour starts at 6:00 and the meal at 7:00 pm. The program will be about tracking and animal behavior.

East Yegua and Blue Branch October 7

The East Yegua and Blue Branch Coops are invited to attend a joint fall co-op meeting. Steve McAfee will present a program on tracking and wildlife behavior. The meeting will be held at the Lexington City Park starting at 10:30 AM on Saturday, October 7th. The entire family is invited and a sausage wrap lunch will be served. Steve is a very interesting person and his tracking abilities are extraordinary. This is definitely a program you will not want to miss. Please bring your own lawn chair.

West Yegua October 21

The West Yegua Co-op will have their fall meeting on Saturday, October 22, beginning at 6:30 pm. Come out and enjoy a delicious meal at Bobby Zoch's ranch on FM 1624. The program will be on big cats in central Texas.

Gardening For Wildlife Program

Mark Klym, coordinator of the Texas Wildscapes program with Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, will be returning to Lee County to present "Texas Wildscape Gardening for Wildlife seminar" on Thursday, October 12th at 7:00 pm in the Lincoln Community Center.

Mr. Klym will discuss native and introduced plants which will attract wildlife, butterflies, birds and other species to your garden or landscape.



WIN GREAT PRIZES BY CHECKING IN YOUR BUCK

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is collecting age and antler measurement information from bucks harvested within Austin, Colorado, Fayette, Lavaca, Lee, and Washington Counties. The harvest information will be used to evaluate the antler restriction regulations. Please take time to check your buck in at one of the convenient locations listed on the back of this page. By checking in your LEGAL buck, you will automatically be entered into a drawing at the end of the 2006-07 season for any one of the valuable prizes. Deadline to enter the drawing is January 10, 2007.

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La Grange — Texas Parks & Wildlife Department Office, Fayette Savings Bank, 111 E. Travis, Suite 200 (Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.)

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