

Duck, Goose Seasons Will Open On Nov. 8th

geese was increased to two days' kill or a maximum of ten light geese and two dark geese.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission set the 1980-81 waterfowl hunting season while in session on Wednesday last week. The new regulations call for a split duck season but the 72-day goose hunting season will run uninterrupted for all species except for all mallards, which will have an additional bird added to the daily goose bag limit.

East of U.S. Highway 81, split but will start on the same date as the goose season Nov. 8th. The first segment will end on Nov. 30th and the second will be closed through Dec. 15th and 16th.

West of Hwy. 81 and south of the coastline open through Jan. 18th.

No changes were made in point values assigned to various species of ducks in the 100-point system of daily bag limits. The bag limit for Mexican-like ducks, mottled ducks, wood ducks, hooded mergansers and redheads are 70 points each. Blue-winged teal, green-winged teal, cinnamon teal, gadwall, mallards, shovellers, wiggon (shaldute) and mergansers (except hooded) are 10 points each. All other species and sexes of ducks are 20 points. The daily bag limit will be reached when the point value of any

new season "on our own," snows, blues and all dark geese, will run from Nov. 8th through Jan. 18th. The bag limit was set at five light geese and one dark goose. Last year it was five geese, period, with no more than one of them a dark goose. Also the possession limit on duck. The season is also closed on black-bellied (whisked) tree ducks and masked ducks. Last year, the falow tree ducks were 70 plus ducks. The daily bag limit on ducks will be one to 10 in the aggregate, the specific daily possession limit will be the legal kill allowed on two days according to the point system, except on the open day of each split.

The daily bag limit on coot is 15 and possession limit is 30.

Shooting hours for ducks will be from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

Special Teal Shooting Season Opens Sat.

A nine-day early teal shooting season will open at sunrise this Saturday, Sept. 13th and continue open through sunset on Sunday, Sept. 21st with good prospects for an outstanding shoot.

Large migrations of the small, swift teal have moved into the area and more are expected. Ponds, lakes and second growth rice fields should all produce good hunting.

Heavy rains and turbulent weather during the past week has tended to scatter

includes this area, the daily bag limit on geese will be 5 for light geese (snow, blue and Ross' geese). The bag limit for dark geese is one Canada or one white-fronted goose.

Possession limits are twice the daily bag limit.

Each waterfowl hunter 16 years of age or older must carry on his person a valid Migratory bird hunting or conservation stamp, commonly called a "duck stamp," in addition to a valid resident or

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Rice Belt DU

Dinner Set Wed., Oct. 8

Plans have been started for the Rice Belt Chapter of Ducks Unlimited annual dinner which will be held this year on Wednesday, Oct. 8th at the Provident City Hotel. Tickets to the event are now on sale.

The annual stag dinner will begin at 6 p.m. with cocktails and a social hour. This will be followed by a barbecued beef and sausage dinner. Then hundreds of valuable items contributed by businessmen, individuals and sportsmen in the area will be auctioned.

Tickets to the dinner are \$25 each which includes a DU membership.

The event promises to be a

and if they hunt out of the county of their residence, must have a 1960-81 hunting license which costs \$5.25.

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all sportsmen in the Eagle Lake, Garwood, Columbus and El Campo and other areas.

Fayette Project Pond Open Around the Clock

Fayette Power Project cooling pond will be opened on a round-the-clock basis beginning 6 a.m. Friday, Sept. 12. LCRA—Board of Directors—approved the new schedule at their August 21 board meeting.

The cooling pond was opened on a 24-hour basis to weekend use May 16, but this is the first time it will be operating on a 24-hour, seven-day-a-week schedule.

A \$51 annual land and water use fee per vehicle for the calendar year was also approved so regular users will not have to pay a \$2 per-vehicle fee for each visit. It will become effective with the new hours.

The park, popular with Trout hunters and fishermen, has had more than 20,000 visitors since its opening, Sept. 5, 1979. Providing chemical toilets, a parking area, a boat ramp, and an open-field camping area are the only amenities. LCRA

Partner's Golf Tourney Here Sat. And Sun.

Approximately 40 teams of golfers have signed up (and a few more are expected although the deadline for entry passed on Sept. 10th) for the Eagle Lake Recreation Center's fourth invitational Partnership Golf Tournament to be held at the local golf course this Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 13th and 14th.

Terry Causa, tournament chairman, said that the tournament will be over 36 holes of play with shot-gun starts at 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on both dates. The public is invited to the Recreation Center to watch some of the top golfers in the area compete in this annual event.

Prize money rounds will be played this Friday; however, the course should be cleared by 5 p.m. in order to get things ready for the next day's play. A social hour with free drinks is set for 5 p.m. Saturday, followed by a meal at 7 p.m. and an auction.

Prize totaling \$5000 will be awarded. Score is each of five flights. Prizes in each flight will include a set of Browning irons, a custom-made driver, a Browning golf bag and golf balls. A new golf cart will be awarded to the first three men and one to

number five.

For further information on the event you may contact Causa at 234-3958.



Skull Creek Mixed League Teams in the Skull Creek Mixed League at Skull Creek Lanes in Altair started the new season Tuesday, Sept. 2nd with three teams and in a tie for first with five wins each. What Can I Say About Rogers and Nistalkers. Teams having the wins speakers are the Ray Hot Fingers and Goofers.

On the first night, Ray Stein rolled the 180+ game and Margie Knapik 487 high series for the week while for the men Lee Rothbauer headed the high game in a 531 series. Floyd Spearhead posted 581 high series.

Other high scores were Brenda Knapik 382, Fred Peltis 332, Ray Buckner and Mike Crismon 303-320.

For team honors, the Fingers rolled for the