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## SHOOTING HOURS

**1980-1981 DUCK AND GOOSE STARTING SHOOTING HOURS: One-Half Hour Before Sunrise**

| ALL Geese and Ducks Nov. 1980 | |
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| 8 | 6:10 |
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| Geese Only NO Ducks Dec. 1980 | |
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| ALL Geese and Ducks Dec. 1980 | |
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| Dec. 1980 | |
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| 22 | 6:43 |
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| 30 | 6:46 |
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| **Jan. 1981** | |
| 1 | 6:47 |
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**Shooting Ends at Sunset**

Compliments of Eagle Lake Headlight

Scenes such as this may be found in many areas of the duck and goose hunting country surrounding Eagle Lake, Garwood, Lissie, East Bernard and Egypt in anticipation of the opening of the 1980-81 duck and goose hunting seasons at one-half hour before sunrise this Saturday, Nov. 8th. Day hunting club operators report that the cold weather of last week brought in many birds and many more are to come and all prediet another outstanding shooting season. Ducks will be in season Nov. 8-30 and then the season closes from Dec. 1-12 and reopens Dec. 13th and remains open through Jan. 18th. All geese are in season from the opening day, Nov. 8th through Jan. 18th, 1981.

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Now about the cooking.

The breasts of both the ducks and the geese can be prepared in a variety of ways. I won't get into the subject of recipes here, but suffice it to say that you can slice the breasts and fry them, you can cut them into small chunks and smother them in wine, you can bake them, or you can cook them in many other ways, all of which can produce fine eating because by skinning them you've removed most of the gamey taste.

As for the legs, they make a fine gumbo. Or they, too, can be smothered in wine or fried, and are surprisingly good.

So next time you bring home some ducks or geese, don't give them to the neighbors.

And by the way, don't pass up those gadwalls and spoonbills, either. Once they're skinned and cooked, you'll probably be unable to tell them from the "more desirable" mallards and pintails.

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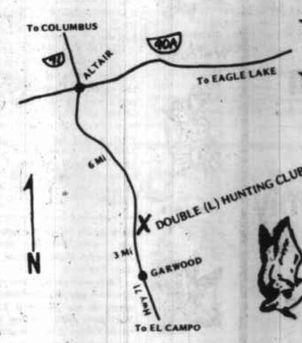



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# Hunting Over White Spread Finest Kind Of Hunt

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placed into a pattern and can be complimented with some additional full-bodied decoys or "goose heads." The cloths are draped over stalks of combined rice or weeds in the rice fields or on sticks in a plowed field.

Although young snow and blue geese and speckle bellies will actually try to land in the range it is object of the white spreads to lure the birds within shotgun range.

Most of the time professional guides will put you inside the pattern of decoys dressed in white parkas and you will be asked to keep down, keep still and not look at the birds until the guide calls the shots. Guns must be kept pointed out of the spread at all times, not at one of your fellow hunters in the spread.

Sometimes, however, the geese just will not come into the spreads within gun range. Some degree of success may result by shedding the waders and by using camouflaged clothes to lie in a ditch or some other cover outside the spread so as to get shots when the geese flare from the white spread.

Local club operators have proven that the system works and their records show that this area has one of the highest kill ratios, per hunter per day, anywhere in the United States, thus leading to the slogan established by the local Chamber of Commerce, "Eagle Lake, Goose Hunting Capital of the World."

White Spread Hunter Drops Curious Goose

## Bobcat Pelt Tagging Program In Third Year

Texas hunters and trappers will be required again this year to have their bobcat pelts tagged prior to sale, according to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

The authorized tagging period is Nov. 15, 1980 through Feb. 15, 1981. Bobcats taken durng this period are eligible for tagging and sale. This is the third year of the tagging program and the second year that the Parks and Wildlife Commission has authorized permitted dealers to affix tags to pelts.

Dealers may obtain a free bobcat pelt tagging permit from any department law enforcement field office prior to purchasing any bobcat pelt. They are also available at the department's Austin headquarters. Addresses of the offices are listed on the back of the 1980-81 Texas Hunting and Sport Fishing Regulations booklet, available where hunting and fishing licenses are sold.

A trapper license is not required of persons taking only bobcats in Texas. Dealers must report in person to be registered. The dealer permit may be obtained along with the tags beginning Nov. 5.

For further information on tagging procedures, call department law enforcement offices across the state.


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## Lonnie LaBay's Double (L) Club Has Top Hunting

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He includes a guide, use of parkas, white spreads and a field to hunt for a nominal fee. There will be a minimum of 4 hunters to a spread but spreads can take up to six hunters.

Reservations may be made with LaBay by calling 713 758-3615 in Garwood or writing to Box 100 Garwood, Texas 77442.

## Fayette Project Pond Open Around the Clock

Fayette Power Project's cooling pond opened on a round-the-clock basis beginning Sept. 12th, after action by the LCRA board to extend the schedule of hours at the lake fast becoming one of the most popular fishing spots in the area.

The cooling pond was opened on a 24-trial 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 $24 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 became effective with the new hours.

The park, popular with Texas boaters and fishermen, has had more than 36,220 visitors since its opening, Sept. 5, 1979. Presently chemical toilets, a parking area, a boat ramp, and an open-field camping area are the only amenities. LCRA security personnel will patrol the facilities.

## Doe Permit Issue Held Oct. 30-31

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department issued antlerless (doe) deer permits for Colorado County Oct. 30th and 31st.

For the issuance of doe permits in the county this year, there were two designated areas, one for issuance on the basis of one permit for 135 acres and the other for one permit for each 100 acres. The 1980 season will open on Saturday, Nov. 15th with a limit of three deer but only one may be a buck and that includes a spike buck. The other two must be antlerless deer and they may be killed only in the designated areas if the hunter has in possession a doe permit which had been issued by P&WL Dept. to the landowner on Oct. 30th or 31st.

The area in which permits were issued on the basis of one to 100 acres includes the Sheridan area south to the county line and north of Highway 90A to FM 2434 east to an area south of IH 10 and by the Colorado River on the east. The one permit to 135 acre area extends just north of IH 10 to the Lavaca County line, to the Lone Oak and Freiburg communities and northeast to FM 949 to Cat Spring and the county road from Ramsey to just east of the river bridge at Altair.

The area south of FM 949 and 90A including the Rock Island and Eagle Lake areas is not included in the doe permit areas.

Also excluded are the Weimar area and a small area including Columbus and just north of Columbus and a small strip from Columbus to Borden on each side of IH 10.

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## Piranha-Like Fish

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down to the razor-sharp teeth.

Carter said the fish obviously was released into Town Lake by an aquarium owner. He added that if any others remain in the lake they probably will not survive the winter since they are native to the tropics and have low tolerance for cold water.

Carter said Moore told him the tipoff on the fish's identity was its size, as meat-eating piranhas are not known to attain three pounds in weight.

## Welcome Hunters

## Quail Season Opens Nov. 15; Limit of 12

Quail hunters in Texas will have lower daily bag limits this fall than the previous year in most counties.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission meeting in Austin Sept. 3 responded to quail census data which showed reduced populations by setting somewhat lower bag and possession limits.

The quail hunting season dates vary by county.

In Colorado and surrounding counties the season on quail will run from Nov. 15, 1980 through Feb. 15, 1981.

Drought conditions during the nesting season severely hampered quail reproduction over most of the state, reducing populations from the high levels of 1979.

Most of the state will have a 12 quail per day limit, with possession limit of 36. Last year, high population allowed the commission to set a daily limit of 20 in some counties. This fall, no county will have such a liberal limit.

The daily bag limit will remain at 16, with possession limit of 48 in a few counties but not in this area.

In this county and others under the department of regulatory, the daily bag limit is 12, possession limit 36.

## W.C. Hunt Club Operates In Lissie Area

The W. C. Goose Hunting Club will be in operation again during the coming season. Walter Corlies is the operator of the club and he promises top goose and duck hunting leases in the Lissie area. Corlies offers half day or all day hunting at very reasonable prices. He also has facilities for mobile homes and campers.

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