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**'85 deer season to open**

Texas game officials look for 'early hunters'

By CHRIS SIGURDSON  
Reporter

You've got an automatic rifle with a silencer, a hunting dog, a spotlight and you've lined up a buddy to drive you slowly down a country road at night while you sit on the roof. You're ready to get out there and hunt some deer, right?

Wrong. The above scenario illustrates just some of the violations the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is trying to make hunters aware of on the eve of the opening of deer season Saturday morning.

- No automatic weapons, no silencers and no artificial lights are allowed.
- Hunting from a vehicle is all right, but not on a public road or right-of-way.
- The dog is out and so is hunting 30 minutes after sunset or 30 minutes before sunrise.

In Brazos County, the opening of deer season means game wardens are already out looking for people hunting illegally or jumping the gun on the season, according to Janelle Lewis of the local parks and wildlife office.

Lewis, a clerical employee of the department for the last 30 years, said violators caught by any law enforcement official or private citizen could face the local justice of the peace or be taken to jail to await trial at a later time. Penalties include fines, reimbursement costs for illegal kills and possible suspension or loss of hunting privileges.

Lewis said game wardens can enter private property without invitation if they have reason to believe a game law offense has occurred. They are state-recognized law enforcement officials and required to read the Miranda warning to anyone they arrest.

Hunters over age 17 must carry proof of identification, a current hunting license and must have a hunting lease or the landowners permission.

There are no public lands available for hunting in Brazos County. According to Lewis, most offenses are for improper tagging of game. The tag from the hunting license must be filled out and secured immediately after the kill. The tag has to accompany the game until it is processed.

Lewis also said confusion exists about the number of antlerless deer that can be shot per permit. While some people have the impression that two antlerless deer can be taken, Lewis said only one "doe permit" is allowed per landowner.

The only change from last season is an increase of bag limit from four to five deer, Lewis said, and only one of those kills can be a buck, in Brazos County, and the other one-buck-limit counties combined. A hunter who shoots a buck in this county cannot take another in this or any other one-buck county, such as neighboring Burleson and Madison counties.

Lewis said detailed information is available at the department's new offices at Suite 518, 3131 Briarcrest Dr. or by phoning 776-4833.

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**Rockets hand Clips season's first defeat**

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Ralph Sampson scored 22 points to lead the Houston Rockets to a 137-115 victory over the Los Angeles Thursday night, knocking the Clippers from the National Basketball Association's unbeaten ranks.

Houston, 5-2, avenged a double-overtime loss earlier this season to the Clippers, who dropped to 5-1.

Sampson's 22 points paced seven Houston players in double-figure scoring, including Lewis Lloyd, who had 21 and Akeem Olajuwon, who hit 19. Olajuwon and Sampson also each got 12 rebounds.

Derek Smith hit 22 of his game-high 35 points in the second half to lead the Clippers. Franklin Edwards added 19 points and Marques Johnson hit 13.

After building a 65-45 halftime lead on the shooting of Sampson, Olajuwon and Lewis Lloyd, the Rockets exploded in the third quarter.

**Denver 131, Denver 99**

DENVER — Alex English pumped in 30 points and Denver used an aggressive defense to rout Dallas 131-99 Thursday night, giving the unbeaten Nuggets their sixth straight NBA victory.

Denver is the only unbeaten team in the National Basketball Association.

Dallas, meanwhile, fell to 2-4.

Dallas led 21-14 in the early going, but the Mavericks never were in the game after Elston Turner led a Denver comeback, hitting all five of his field goal attempts in a 26-6 Denver run that helped the Nuggets to a 56-39 halftime edge.

The Mavericks hit only 26 percent of their field goals in the first half and were outscored 42-14 in the third period when the Nuggets ran off 17 straight points and exploded to a 98-53 advantage after three quarters.

English scored 16 of his points in the third quarter and Denver was helped by Lafayette Lever's 17 points, 18 from Wayne Cooper, and 16 from Turner.

Rookie forward Pete Williams, starting in place of injured Calvin Natt, contributed 13 rebounds and eight points in his first starting assignment.

**Other Thursday NBA Scores:**  
(home team in capitals)

NEW JERSEY 106  
Chicago 97

Milwaukee 92  
NEW YORK 88

L.A. Lakers at UTAH (late)

Cleveland at SACRAMENTO (late)

**A&M Cagers**

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try, donating much of the money they make to charities.

"I just hope (the AIA) have done a better job of promoting this event (with the religious groups at A&M) than we have," Metcalf said. "Nobody on campus seems to know that

we're going to be playing on Friday night.

The Aggies, who have been ranked as a pre-season contender for both conference and national honors, know they had better show up tonight and be prepared to react to whatever happens.

"We don't know how our team will

react out there, especially now that we've lost Crite for awhile," Metcalf said. "We don't know if Winston will be back in time for the NIT (National Invitational Tournament, in which the Aggies open the regular season against Alabama-Birmingham in The Houston Summit later this month).

"But, the only positive — if there is a positive — is that someone will get an opportunity to really play for us and we might develop some depth."

Metcalf said one of the reasons for a lack of depth might have been the recruiting philosophies of the Aggies in past seasons.

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