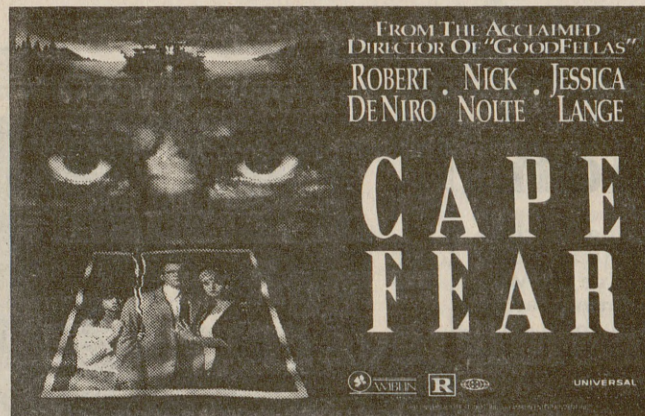




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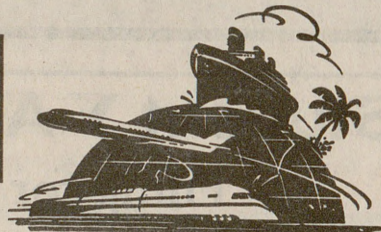
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Fishermen must care for equipment

Fishermen tell tall tales of huge monsters that escaped the net or gaff. They tell horror stories of spring squalls blowing across a lake or bay from nowhere, dousing them with heavy rain and endangering their lives with bolts of lightning.

But one of the most vivid nightmares recounted by any fisherman is that of the first trip of the year when the tackle just won't cooperate.

When fishing tackle sits for months at a time, it tends to develop a personality. The reel stiffens, a two-piece rod has magically fused into one piece and artificial baits have melted, faded and rusted in protest of being traded for a shotgun or rifle during hunting season.

Rather than ignoring these problems until it is time to test them against hot and heavy springtime action, it is a good idea to provide tackle with a tune-up.

The reel can often be the most stubborn piece of tackle to deal with. Its gears and bearings can stiffen without use and may be thirsty for a lubricant. Quality reel lube is inexpensive and can make a world of difference in bringing a reel back into top form after a winter in the garage or closet.

The manual that comes with any reel should explain how to service it, and if there are any questions about it, a tackle dealer can assist the procedure.



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Another problem that arises from months of not using tackle is line memory, which is the tendency of monofilament to remain spiraled and twisted.

Make some practice casts in a yard or other open area to determine how serious the line's memory is and whether or not it needs to be replaced. It may look funny, and I can almost guarantee that someone will ask if you have caught anything as you stand casting into the street, but it will save countless headaches at your favorite fishing hole.

A worst-case scenario is having to shell out \$5 for 250 yards of new line, and the old line can even be recycled.

Another good idea when servicing a rod and reel is to check the guides on the rod. Pull a piece of cotton through each eye on the rod. If the cotton snags anywhere, it may be time to replace the guide. A tackle dealer can perform the necessary repair or a do-it-yourself replacement kit may also be adequate.

At a price of \$2, a hook sharpener may be the best investment a fisherman can make. When talking to fishing guides, I hear them stress sharp hooks more than any other fishing tactic for landing more fish. The standard test goes something like this: if it will stick in your thumbnail, it's sharp enough. If not, then \$2 is not a bad deal for something that will help in catching more fish.

Stocking the tackle box is the last step in preparing fishing tackle for a new year. Nothing is more fun than being able to justify buying new baits and lures. It is best to stock up on your favorite lures and any lures that may have been successful in the past.

When your confidence is at an all-time low from not catching anything, it is a good idea to have reliable baits handy to break out of a slump. Also, save some room for new products or "hot" colors that are causing fish to just surrender and jump in the boat on command. It seems like at the beginning of every year, someone unveils a new product that will revolutionize fishing. It usually doesn't, but you never know.

With all of this preparation, the fish don't have a snowball's chance in hell of escaping our sharpened hooks, lubed reels and "hot" new lures. Well, that's doubtful, but if you do have some success at your favorite lake or river, please practice CPR, catch, photograph, and release. Good luck!

Quarterbacks take best shots at winning starting position

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Slocum said. "You could have a receiver, and he would be asked to make maybe a couple of plays a game, and a running back would be asked to do more. But a quarterback is the one that is asked to take the ball on every play."

Preston and Miller are used to being No. 1 quarterbacks. As seniors in high school last year, both were highly recruited by colleges around the country.

Miller passed for more than 2,300 yards at Mt. Carmel High in San Diego, Calif., and was named the fourth best dropback passer in the Southwest by analyst Max Emfinger.

Preston passed for 2,783 yards and 23 touchdowns at A&M Consolidated High and was rated the tenth best quarterback in the country by Emfinger.

Both possess the great talent and skill required to be college quarterbacks, but both are trying to learn the A&M system for the first time.

Whoever earns the starting spot will, most definitely, change the Aggie offense.

Last season, Richardson directed an attack that featured the option play. This season, the Aggies will use the pass to compliment a ground game headed by All-Southwest Conference running back Greg Hill.

"Obviously, we recruited these guys with that in mind," Slocum said. "They're all throwers. There are no true option guys out there. I've always said I'd like for us to

throw more. "We may have one option or something to keep people honest, but we will take that time we devoted to the option and devote it to throwing the ball."

Slocum said no one has stepped forward so far in the first three days of spring practice.

"I don't see a frontrunner right now," he said. "I think it's pretty much an even race."

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- R.C. Slocum A&M head coach

"Obviously, Kent Petty has the most experience and most knowledge, so he'll be ahead from that standpoint. It's hard to make an accurate analysis until the other guys catch up a little bit from the knowledge standpoint."

"I'm just not going to come out of spring and say, 'This is our guy,'" he said. "It'll be two-a-days (in August) before we find out."

There is a chance, though, that a rotation system will be used if no one takes command. But Toledo would rather one guy step forward and do the job himself.

"I don't like rotating quarterbacks in and out of a game," Toledo said. "It's not like other positions. If one of them is doing the job, then he'll be in there. But if he can't get us (into the endzone), then we'll go to someone else."

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white uniform.

Then, let the entire conference fight, argue and cheat their way into snagging the monster-child of San Antonio's Cole High School, Shaquille O'Neal.

Suddenly, you have the makings of a state comparable to North Carolina in top-ranked college basketball teams. Starting to get the picture?

Of course, now Smith and Johnson are out of NCAA competition, but the analysis holds true throughout this year's top

25. Many other teams, all of which are outside the state, are winning titles with Texas-grown talent.

When Big Ten foes Michigan and Ohio State met last weekend in the Southeast Regional finals, there were more players on the court from Texas than any other state. Two schools more than 1000 miles from downtown Dallas, and their tournament game turns into a Texas schoolboy reunion.

The only way Texas teams are going to wind up in the Final Four is to convince the immense amount of talent that usually

leaves the state to stay home.

UT's Erwin Center is a facility capable of keeping top prospects in state. But not until A&M gets their special events center are the Aggies going to be able to lure top players to College Station.

That, in part, is going to require some help from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

The members of the Board, whether they realize it or not, hold the fate of A&M and Southwest Conference basketball in their hands.

But that's another story.....

Spurs end drought, down Lakers 104-86

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Terry Cummings scored a season-high 35 points, including 15 in the third quarter Wednesday as the San Antonio Spurs snapped a five-game losing streak with a 104-86 victory over the Los Angeles Lakers.

Antoine Carr added 19 points for the Spurs, who won for the first time since losing center David Robinson to a thumb injury.

The Lakers, who had a five-game winning streak end, were led by Terry Teague with 20 points and Elden Campbell with 18.

Cummings, who also had 14 rebounds, keyed a 16-4 run at the end of the third with six points.

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