

SPORTS

Kentucky Afield

By Norma Mink... Two winners have been drawn from the 1,200 entries in the deer jaw program for the 1988 deer season.



Members of the 1987 Nicholas County Blake Bath All Stars (152 average) are front row, left to right, Mike Cain, Paul Phillips, Jeremy Messer, Scott Hecney, Daniel Brown, Kevin Morris, James Givens, second row, left to right, Mark Tucker, Jared Wilk, Allen Walsh, Collier Mathews, Brad Allen, Travis Sims, Mike Johnson. Third row, left to right, Coach Leonard Soley, Larry Allison, Marion Sims. In Somerset, the Nicholas County team won its first game in regional play against Floyd County 93, with Mark Tucker on the mound as a losing pitcher. -Norma Mink photo.

Smith will be awarded a \$200 Remington-UMC, equipped with a Leupold scope worth \$400, while bowhunter McKay will receive a Cooper Martin compound bow including arrows and sights, valued at \$200.

The procedure for the drawing is simple. Hunters remove the lower jaw from their deer, clean away the meat and let it dry, and then place the jaw in an special department envelope and drop it in the mail.

Deer jaw envelopes are available at all deer stations and require no postage. On the envelope there are questions about how, where and when the jaw was taken, as well as requests for general information about the animal.

When biologists get the deer from the jaw supplier, all the information is reported and kept with other samples from the same region or area.

This information is used to determine deer populations, hunting pressure on a specific herd and the age and growth patterns of the herd.

Information collected from the sample jaws directly affects what opportunities will be available for deer hunters during the upcoming season.

Many of the decisions on the length of deer season, how many deer can be harvested, and the number of days are based on the mathematical models formed from data obtained through the deer jaw program.

"We would like to have more hunters involved in the program, because a larger sample helps us to develop more precise management strategies and subsequently better hunting opportunities," said John Phillips, deer program coordinator for the department.

"Our objective is to stabilize the deer population in those areas that

have a high number of deer and increase the population in those areas where deer numbers are lower.

This information helps us to make decisions that keep deer problems from ever developing, such as crop depredation and poaching on an individual herd, which at the same time helps to provide hunters with the best possible chance to harvest a deer," Phillips added.

One example of the trends developed according to the data collected by biologists working on the

deer program, is that Kentucky's deer population is quickly regaining the number of deer hunters.

This information was the basis in adopting more liberal hunting seasons in some areas of the state for the deer camp season.

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Cruse plans two basketball camps at NCHS

By Norma Mattos... Lee Cruse, head boys basketball coach at Nicholas County High School and instructor of the camp, will be having to utilize both the elementary and high school gyms for the day camp.

"We would like to refine their skills, so they will be a little more polished for junior high basketball and high school basketball," Cruse explained.



Lee Cruse

Snapp celebrates 75...

Continued from Page 1... Snapp recalls teaching at Van Lear in Johnson County for 12 years with his wife, for that's where he met his wife of 50 years, Geneva Webb.

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Fire damages Oriole Street residence

Fire of unknown origin swept through the home of Debbie Hughes on Oriole Street, last Friday night. Eight Nicholas County Volunteer Firemen responded to the call.

Homecoming

Sunday, August 9 Morning Service 11 A.M. Speaker Brother Gene Parr. Potluck Dinner 12 Noon. Afternoon Service at 1:30 P.M. with Goodnewsmen (G.T. Cowan)

Buntin remembers...

Continued from Page 6... Buntin said that he had a ball that kept slipping. He has had a few more accidents as much as possible. Sitting around the house all day is not in his nature.

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