

# Larger turkey hunting area, longer muzzleloader season

Enlargement of the central Pennsylvania area where a long fall turkey hunting season is permitted, establishment of a longer muzzleloader deer season, and a new trapping season for four wildlife species today highlighted the setting of 1975-76 hunting seasons and bag limits by the Pennsylvania Game

Commission.

This year's regular four-week archery deer season will open Saturday, September 27; the early small game season will start on Saturday, October 11; and the five-week general small game season will begin on Saturday, October 25.

A one-day bear season

will be held on Monday, November 24. The regular two-week antlered deer season will be held on December 1; a two-day antlerless deer season will be held on Monday and Tuesday, December 15 and 16; and the winter small game and archery deer seasons will begin on December 26 and close on January 17.

Expansion of the self-sustaining wild turkey range in the state led to a revision of harvest management areas. Previously, the northcentral part of the state had a fall turkey hunting season one or two weeks longer than the remainder of the state.

To provide maximum hunting recreation and

avoid danger of disease from over-density of wild turkey populations, a five-week season was established for the southcentral Pennsylvania area, as well as the northcentral section.

The southcentral area open for the longer turkey season includes Bedford, Blair, Centre, Fulton, Huntingdon, Juniata Mifflin, Perry and Snyder Counties, nearly all of Clearfield County, eastern Cambria and Somerset Counties and western Cumberland and Franklin Counties.

The northcentral area open for longer turkey season will be changed slightly, with the line being moved farther west in Warren, Corest, Venango, Northumberland, and Luzerne Counties and farther north in Columbia County. Montour County has been eliminated from the section for the longer season.

During the new license year there will be a trapping season on skunks, opossums, raccoons, foxes and weasels, running from November 27 through February 28. Increased prices for nearly all furs have led to additional trapping activities in recent years, and the new trapping season is designed to provide additional controls over harvests, to better utilize the resources, and to ease any potential conflicts which might arise between trappers and those who pursue the species with dogs.

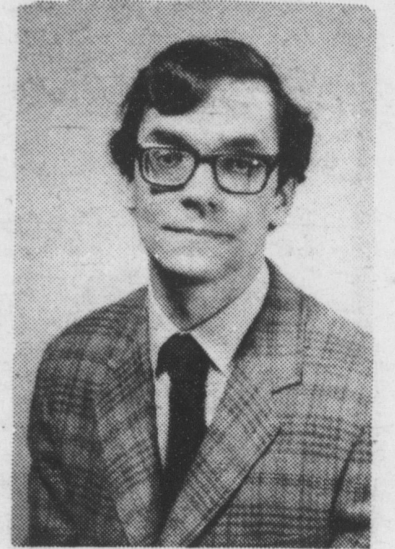
In addition, a separate hunting season was established for raccoons. The raccoon hunting season will open October 25 and close on February 28.

The muzzleloader deer season, which was inaugurated last year in Pennsylvania, was quite successful, and will be lengthened during the new license year.

There will be five days set aside for the muzzleloader hunters, the two days following Christmas and the Thursday, Friday and Saturday of the following week.

There will be 421,300 antlerless deer license available this year, compared to 389,650 in 1974. The increase is necessary to keep the whitetail herd in line with the amount of overwintering food available.

Basically, other seasons and bag limits are pretty much in line with those of the past year.



Jack R. Miley

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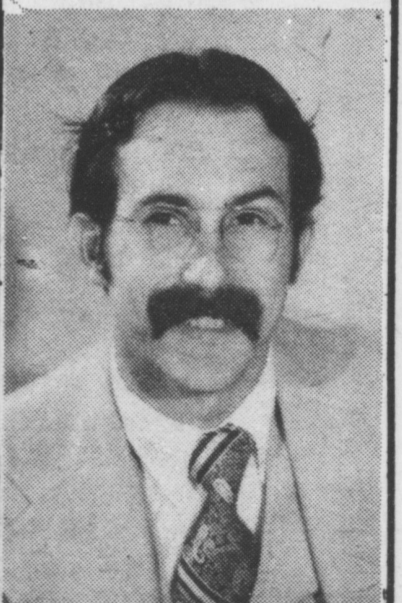
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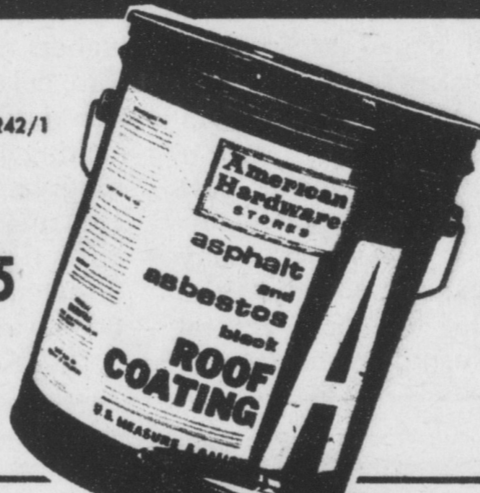
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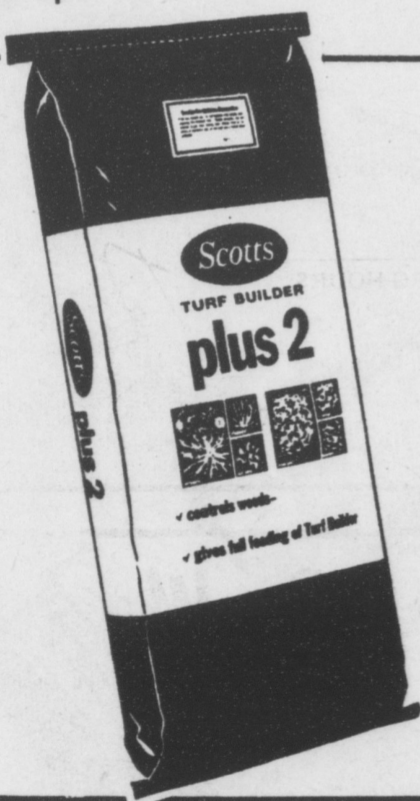


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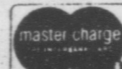
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