



L.D.W.F. BIOLOGISTS PARTICIPATE AT CAMP WIN-A-FRIEND

B iologists from the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries' Fur & Refuge Division assisted troopers with Louisiana State Police (LSP) during their annual Camp Win-A-Friend summer program for youth.

Staged at the LSP facility in Holden, the summer resident camp hosted 240 children during six week-long sessions between June 4 and July 20. Boys and girls between the ages of 10 and 12 enjoyed swimming, canoeing, hiking, arts and crafts, team building exercises, leadership skills, guest speakers, fishing, baseball and basketball.

LDWF's Jeff Boundy and Beau Gregory alternated weekly appearances for a session on reptiles and what they contribute to the eco-system they inhabit. Campers were given the opportunity to touch and hold the designated reptile of the day.

LSP troopers serve as camp directors, assistant directors, instructors and counselors at Camp Win-A-Friend.



Photo provided by LSP

LDWF Fur and Refuge Biologist and snake expert, Jeff Boundy, teaches Camp Win-A-Friend participants about snakes.

Campers are selected from geographic areas around the state that correspond to LSP regional "troop" areas, and the camp is made available at no cost to children would not otherwise be able to attend a summer camp.

L.W.F.C. SETS TENTATIVE MIGRATORY WATERFOWL SEASONS

T he Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission (LWFC) voted to tentatively adopt proposed season dates, bag limits and shooting hours for the 2007-08 migratory waterfowl season at their Aug. 3 meeting. The dates will be ratified by a declaration of emergency from the commission, after approval from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

After the LWFC listened to public comments and Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries personnel comments on proposed duck season dates and bag limits, it was concluded that a 60-day season will be adopted for ducks and coots. In the West Zone, the first segment will open on Nov. 10 and close on Dec. 2. The sec-

ond segment will open on Dec. 15 and run through Jan. 20. In the East Zone, the first segment will go from Nov. 17 to Dec. 2. The second segment will last from Dec. 15 through Jan. 27.

Youth waterfowl weekend in the west zone is Nov. 3-4 and in the east zone Nov. 10-11.

The daily bag limit on ducks is six and may include no more than four mallards (no more than two of which may be females), two canvasbacks, one pintail, three mottled ducks, one black duck, two wood ducks, two scaup and two redheads. The daily bag limit on coots is 15. In addition to the daily bag limit for ducks, the daily bag limit for mergansers is five, only

two of which may be a hooded merganser. The possession limit on ducks, coots and mergansers is twice the daily bag limit.

Light geese and white-fronted geese will have a 72-day season. The first segment in the West Zone will open on Nov. 10 and close on Dec. 2. The second segment in the West Zone will open on Dec. 15 and close on Feb. 1. The first segment in the East Zone will open on Nov. 5 and run until Dec. 2. The second segment will open Dec. 15 and close on Jan. 27. The daily bag limit on light geese is 20, with no possession limit. The daily limit on white-fronted geese is two, with a possession limit of four.

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