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FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR ALANSON NOBLE, DIV. A, CASCO, AUG. 5:

WARDEN TOM BRYANT, BIDDEFORD; NOT TOO MANY FISHERMEN, BUT SOME NICE BASS ARE BEING TAKEN ON THE SACO RIVER. NOT TOO MANY BOATERS DURING THE WEEK BUT TRAFFIC IS HEAVY ON WEEKENDS.

WARDEN CHARLES COCHRAN, LIMERICK: CROP DAMAGE HAS BEEN VERY LIGHT SO FAR. WHILE WORKING ON NUISANCE BEAVER, I HAVE NOTICED MORE WOODCOCK SIGN THAN USUAL. FISHING ACTIVITY VERY LOW NOW. SEVERAL PHEASANTS BEING SEEN AROUND.

FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR ARTHUR ROGERS, DIV. B, WATERVILLE, JULY 29:

WARDEN GEORGE NASH, JEFFERSON: CHECKED A NICE 11½ POUND ATLANTIC SALMON FROM THE SHEEPSCOT RIVER AT COOPERS MILLS JULY 20. IT WAS TAKEN BY ROGER POULIN, A 15 YEAR OLD HIGH-SCHOOL STUDENT, WHO LIVES AT 26 VICTOR ST., LEWISTON. HE WAS FISHING WITH THREE OLDER BROTHERS AND THEY WERE A VERY HAPPY GROUP WHEN THEY LEFT FOR HOME. HE SAID HE SAW ANOTHER SALMON ABOUT THE SAME SIZE. THIS IS THE FARTHEST UP THE SHEEPSCOT I KNOW OF AN ATLANTIC SALMON EVER BEING TAKEN.

WARDEN CHARLES TUTTLE, RICHMOND: A COMMON EGRET HAS BEEN STAYING AT COBBOSSEE STREAM. PLEASANT POND AND COBBOSSEE STREAM HAVE PRODUCED A NUMBER OF LARGEMOUTH BASS THIS PAST WEEK FOR THE ONE THAT DIDN'T GET AWAY CLUB.

WARDEN WINFIELD GORDON, WARREN: FISHING HAS BEEN VERY SLOW, AND NOT MANY GAME FISH BEING TAKEN. THERE HAVE BEEN A LOT OF FISHERMEN OUT DURING THE DAY AND EVENING. APPREHENDED QUITE A FEW FISHING WITHOUT A LICENSE THIS YEAR. NOT MANY BOATING VIOLATIONS EXCEPT UNDER 10 HP MOTOR BOATS OPERATING WITHOUT LIFE PRESERVERS. THE NONRESIDENTS DON'T SEEM TO KNOW THE LAW.

FROM SUPERVISOR ROGERS, AUG. 5:

WARDEN DEAN JORDAN, WISCASSET: THE WILD RICE ON MERRYMEETING BAY AND EASTERN RIVER AREAS SEEMS PLENTIFUL AND IS RIPENING FAST. DUCKS ARE BEGINNING TO SHOW UP AT THE BAY.

WARDEN ORAL D. PAGE, BELGRADE: FISHING ACTIVITY SEEMS TO BE LIGHT THIS SUMMER DESPITE THE LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN THE AREA.

WARDEN OLIN JACKSON, SOUTH CHINA: FISHING SEEMS TO BE A LITTLE SLOW NOW WITH A FEW BASS AND WHITE PERCH BEING TAKEN. THERE APPEARS TO BE PLENTY OF DEER ALL OVER THE AREA. HAVING QUITE A LOT OF TROUBLE WITH BEAVER. THERE SEEM TO BE BEAVER ON EVERY STREAM.

FROM WARDEN SUPERVISOR DAVID PRIEST, DIV. G, LINCOLN CENTER, JULY 25:

FISHING IS PRETTY MUCH AT A STAND STILL. THERE ARE SOME BASS AND PERCH FISHERMEN OUT MOSTLY IN THE EVENINGS.

WE HAVE HAD A FEW REPORTS OF ILLEGAL HUNTING; ALSO GETTING A FEW REPORTS OF CROP DAMAGE BY DEER.

THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL REPORTS OF BEAR BEING STRUCK BY CARS THIS SPRING, BUT IN ALL CASES THEY WERE ABLE TO LEAVE THE SCENE UNDER THEIR OWN POWER. WE ARE NOT OBSERVING MANY GROUSE BROODS THIS SPRING.

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FROM SUPERVISOR PRIEST, AUG. 1:

FISHING ACTIVITY IS VERY LIGHT THROUGHOUT THE DIVISION. BOATING ACTIVITY IS OFF, ALSO.

AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHERS IN THE BAXTER STATE PARK AREA ARE PROTESTING THE BANDING OF MOOSE BY THE FISH AND GAME DEPT. THEY CLAIM THAT PICTURES OF MOOSE WEARING COLORFUL NECKTIES IN A WILDERNESS SURROUNDING, ARE NOT ATTRACTIVE.

SOME BEAR ARE BEING SHOT IN THE BLUEBERRY FIELDS AS THEY LET THEIR CRAVING FOR FRESH BERRIES OVERCOME THEIR NATURAL CAUTION.

WATERS ARE GENERALLY QUITE LOW IN MOST AREAS.

RELEASE AT WILL:::: WATERFOWL HEARING

AUGUSTA, MAINE ----- THE ANNUAL PUBLIC HEARING ON WATERFOWL REGULATIONS IS SET FOR 7:00 PM, FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, AT ROOM 114 OF THE STATE OFFICE BLDG. IN AUGUSTA, ACCORDING TO FISH AND GAME COMMISSIONER RONALD T. SPEERS. THE SOUTH DOOR OF THE BUILDING WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

REGULATIONS WITHIN THE ALLOWABLE FEDERAL FRAMEWORK WILL BE HEARD ON DUCKS AND GEESE. SPORTSMEN'S CLUBS SHOULD DESIGNATE A DELEGATE TO REPRESENT THEM AT THIS HEARING, AND INDIVIDUAL SPORTSMEN NOT CONNECTED WITH ORGANIZED CLUBS ARE EQUALLY WELCOME, SPEERS SAID.

PERSONS UNABLE TO APPEAR ARE INVITED TO WRITE THEIR VIEWS TO COMMISSIONER SPEERS, DEPT. OF INLAND FISHERIES AND GAME, STATE OFFICE BUILDING, AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330.

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