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# Dexter Springs Sports Media Day

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## Dexter Bearcats Prepare For A Great 2015 Spring Sports Season

**Dexter Missouri** - Spring was in the air around Dexter High School today as the Spring sports teams all gathered for their annual media day. Local news sources and the high school media departments were on hand to capture the sports team and individual photos.

Due to the inclement weather, the media event was changed to Southwest Elementary School gymnasium immediately following the end of the school day. All for Spring sports were looking their best in full game day uniform.

The following teams were involved:

3:15 PM DHS Boys Tennis Team

3:25 PM DHS Boys & Girls Track Team

3:35 PM DHS Boys Golf Team

3:45 PM DHS Boys Baseball Team

3:55 PM DHS Girls Softball Team

Immediately following the media event, all teams returned to their normal practice schedule. Many of the schedules begin this coming weekend and the first of next week for each team.

Stay tuned as the ShowMe Times will highlight each team in upcoming articles.

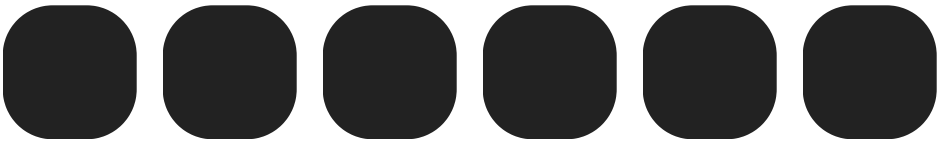
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# MDC Says Hunting Looks Good for Turkeys

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## **Missouri Department of Conservation says spring turkey hunting looks good for most of Missouri!**

**Jefferson City, Missouri** - Missouri turkey hunters can expect a good spring season overall according to the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC). The spring turkey hunting season starts with a youth-only weekend April 11-12 for young hunters ages 6-15. The regular spring season runs April 20 through May 10.

“Hunters should generally expect similar opportunities as those during the past several seasons,” said MDC Turkey Biologist Jason Isabelle. “Two-year-old gobblers won’t be as abundant as they were in 2014 in most areas due to lower poult production in 2013, but carry-over from previous years should provide some great hunting.”

Isabelle noted that MDC offers turkey hunting opportunities on more than 500 conservation areas and the state’s diverse landscapes mean turkey numbers often vary by region.

“With good poult production from 2014, jake numbers should be up in northern Missouri this spring, but harvesting an adult gobbler will continue to be a bit more challenging given the decline in bird numbers that the region experienced during the mid-to-late 2000s,” he said.

“Turkey numbers in the Ozarks have been relatively stable for the past several years and the eastern Ozarks has had some of the state’s best turkey production,” Isabelle said. “With good poult production in recent years, we’ve started to see turkey number increase in several southern Missouri counties. Good gobbler numbers and an abundance of public land make this region a good choice for hunters. The western Ozarks and border region further west are likely to have some of the top harvest counties in the state this year.”

He added that prospects are also good for the River Breaks region, which lies just south of the Missouri River and west of the Mississippi River from Osage County east to Jefferson County and south to Cape Girardeau County. “This region encompasses some of the state’s best turkey habitat, and its counties consistently rank among the highest in spring turkey harvest,” he said.

Find detailed information on harvest limits, allowed hunting methods, hunter education requirements, permits, MDC hunting areas, tagging and checking procedures, regulations, and more in MDC’s 2015 Spring Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information booklet available from MDC offices and nature centers, other places where permits are sold, and

online at [mdc.mo.gov/node/4066](http://mdc.mo.gov/node/4066)

## HUNTING SAFETY

Isabelle stressed that hunters can avoid the main cause of turkey-hunting incidents: mistaking or being mistaken by another hunter for game.

“Most turkey hunting incidents involve hunters who fail to positively identify their targets,” said Isabelle. “Before pulling the trigger, be absolutely certain that what you are shooting at is not only a turkey, but a legal turkey, which would be a male turkey or a turkey with a visible beard during the spring season.”

He also advised hunters to wear hunter-orange clothing when moving through woods or fields, particularly when hunting public land, and to always know the locations of all members of a hunting party. “Many turkey hunting incidents actually involve members of the same hunting party,” said Isabelle. “If you’re hunting with someone else and you split up, be certain you know where your hunting partner will be.”

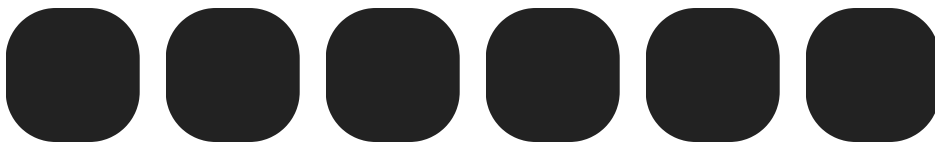
## FIRST TURKEY CERTIFICATES

MDC hunting certificates are great ways to memorialize a hunter’s first deer and turkey harvests. Visit [mdc.mo.gov/node/10469](http://mdc.mo.gov/node/10469) to create free commemorative certificates.

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## Lions Club Enjoys Waffle Day Success

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**Dexter, Missouri** - Pancakes and waffle breakfasts are a big part of the Lion's Club culture and tradition. The Dexter Lions Club held their annual Waffle Day at the Sacred Heart Fellowship Hall today with many area residents coming out to take part in the event.

Club members began to arrive as early as 4:00 AM to begin preparations for their 6:00 AM crowd. The breakfast ran until 10:00 AM this morning and provided waffles, sausage, coffee and milk for only \$5.00.

Brett Miller, the Lions Club President for 2015 shared, this is "another successful waffle day on the books. A special thanks to all the support from the community and the men of Dexter Lions Club for making it happen."

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Well over 250 members of the community came out on this rainy Saturday to enjoy the breakfast. Many families and friends made it their morning get together to start their weekend.

The Dexter Lions Club is a fun filled civic organization that quietly makes a difference in the community of Dexter. Their members are your everyday community minded guys ....

"We are very involved in the community", noted President Miller. "We promote giving the gift of sight by providing eye exams, lenses and frames to those in need throughout the Dexter area."

You can help the Dexter Lions Club by donating your old eye glass frames to this program. Dexter Family Eye is a local drop off location for your old frames, or contact one of the club members.

"We also donate to various veterans groups, support our local schools with donations to the goodwill games, Missouri Boys and Girls State, Project Prom, and many other causes that enrich the youth within our community", added Miller.

You will also want to mark your calendar for the July 25th as the Lions Club will be hosting its annual golf tournament at Hidden Trails Country Club. And of course, you will always find members involved with the Stoddard County Fair cooking up the fair favorites, funnel cakes.

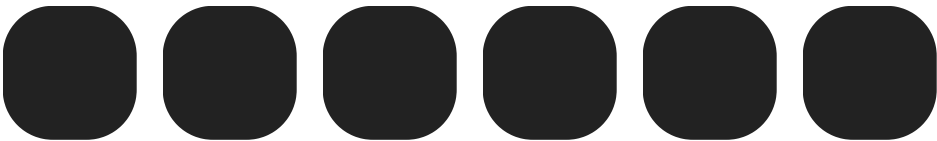
"It's an honor to serve with great men and give back to a great community", noted Miller.



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# Discover Nature Girls Camp With MO Dept of Conservation

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**Missouri** - The Missouri Department of Conservation will be offering its annual Discover Nature Girls Camp in the Southeast region. It is a free three-day, two-night girls camp aimed at introducing young ladies ages 11–15 to different outdoors skills in a supportive learning environment.

The camp will be held June 23rd, 24th, and 25th at Camp SEMO in Wappapello, MO.

Campers spend three fun filled days learning by participating in “hands on” outdoor skills. These activities will be led by experts in their field, which will allow the participants to leave with the confidence to explore Missouri’s diverse outdoors on their own. Some activities include hunter education class, shooting firearms and archery equipment, walking through a safety trail and taking the hunter education test.

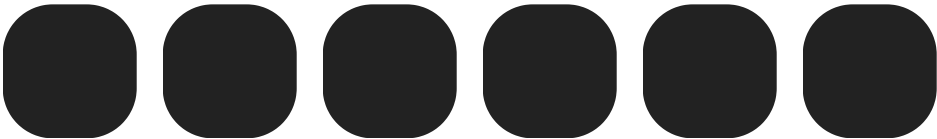
Throughout the camp, the girls will participate in a variety of outdoor skills such as canoeing, orienteering and fishing. Campers learn about all aspects of fishing; from fish identification, casting, tying knots, and cleaning fish, to finally going fishing. This all occurs in a group setting of their peers, being taught by knowledgeable instructors who make participants comfortable and willing to try new things. The camp is limited to 40 girls between the ages of 11 to 15 years old. The first 40 applications completed and received will be selected to attend.

**To apply for Discover Nature Girls Camp, please contact your local Conservation Agent or the Southeast Regional office in Cape Girardeau (573) 290-5730 for applications.**

We are accepting the first 40 applications received at the Missouri Department of Conservation’s Cape Girardeau Office. After 40 girls are registered, we will maintain a waiting list to call if cancellations occur.

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# Dexter Police Dept. News Release - Crackdown

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**Dexter, Missouri** - Local police will be out in full force as part of the annual nationwide St. Patrick’s Day Holiday “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” crackdown on drunk driving. The crackdown, which will include high-visibility enforcement



throughout Dexter, will run from March 14-17, 2015.

The effective nationwide drunk driving crackdown will include high-visibility enforcement, high-profile events, and will be supported by national paid advertising, creating a comprehensive campaign to curb drunk driving over the St. Patrick's Day holiday.

Dexter Police Department said its Officer's will be aggressively looking for drunk drivers during the crackdown and will arrest anyone caught driving drunk.

Although it is illegal in all 50 States, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico to drive drunk (having a blood alcohol concentration of .08 or higher), far too many people across the nation get behind the wheel after consuming too much alcohol. The latest statistics from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration underscore the serious nature of the nation's continuing drunk driving epidemic.

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