# Scout now for spring gobblers

F YOU HAVEN'T received your 1991 spring wild turkey permit by now, you won't. The Michigan Department of Natural Resources licensing division maded out the permits last week and unsuccessful applicants should have received their refund checks this week.

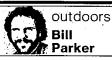
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to receive a permit, now is the time to find your quarry. Of all the ingredients needed for a successful spring turkey hunt, including calling technique, stand setting, cannot be up, cannot allow a particular timpertant is preseason sounting. Lets face it, if there are no birds in the area you're hunting you'll certainly be hard pressed to bring home a torn.

WHEN HUNTING an area you're unfamiliar with, map reading and communication skills provide a good

The local DNR office usually has a epply of maps for any state land in the area while a good county map covers all the land, private and public.

In Jonk for water— Jakes, ponds, streams and creeks When possible, a turkey will roost in a mature tree worflooking a waterway. Torkeys also need water for sustenance. Locate an area with water near a bountial food supply—mast crops, cream helds, green shoots and buds—and you're off to a great start. A creek or stream running along a mature oak ridge could be a good place to search for signs while a large, flat—rubby tract of land with no appara-



ent water supply probably wouldn't hold a large flock of hirds

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BRING A COPY of the map with you into the woods so you can mark such things as ridges, fence rows, logging trails, food supplies, roosting reas, sign and bird location for future. The such residents can also be a big help, provided they aren't turkey hunters themselves (a turkey hunters themselves (a turkey hunters there will never reveal his hot spot). Mailmen, truck drivers, newspaper carriers and school bus drivers often see turkeys while driving their routes and school bus drivers often see turkeys while driving their routes and will usually offer a full timinghit to a politic, courteous hunter. Local merchants such as barbers, bartenders and even grocery store clerks can also offer assistance since most live in the area and they also hear the, "Talk about town" whe local residents filter in and out of their sumsesses.

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ONCE YOUVE FOUND a prime spot, the task of locating the birds in the area comes into play. Signs such as tracks, droppings, feathers and scratchings let you know there are turkeys in the area. Turkey tracks are easy to identify since they are the baggest bird in the wild. The track of a mature tom measures well over four inches from

the tip of the toe to the heed. Hon tracks are somewhat smaller. If you can be a considered to the second of the s

be littered with droppings and reatiScratchings refer to the pattern a
tricky leaves in the forest floor
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and create a "V" shape in the
ground If you look hard, you'll see
claw marks and often full tracks in
the dirt. An area with several freasteaching many and a large supply of the
food source remaining is a spot
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LOCATOR CALLS, such as an owl
toder, crow call of hawk call are
also helpful in locating turkeys.
In the spring, when the love-sick
tom is only interested in finding a
ten, he is often cranky and aggravated by almost any loud sound. The

"hoot" of an owl or the "caw" of a crow right before dark of just after dawn will offen send a tom into an loud aggressive response.

Once you've found a roosting area, a locator call will allow you to pin-point the tree the turkey is roosting in 50 you can set up early the next morning.

If you are unsuccessful in finding the roosting area, try driving the back roads at dusk and dawn. Stop-every 200-yards and give a "hoot" or a "caw" and wait for a response Many hunters have great success locating a roosted bird this way.

THE BIGGEST mustake some turturkey calls with them while scoutturkey calls with them while scoutturkey calls with them while scoutturkey and seven footed by a particular type of call the odds are be won't be fooded by that call again for some time. If you call and spook-him, during scouting you might— well final another tom to hun.

The bottom line is to get out and to your scouting now Don't wait for opening day or you may just spend do your scouting now Don't wait for opening day or you may just spend do your scouting now Don't wait for opening day or you may just spend opening the particular bird.

If you received a permit and are fortunate enough to bag a big tom turkey this spring give me a call. I'd love to hear about the hunt. THE BIGGEST mistake some tur

eHunters and unglers are urbed top report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Write to (Indoors, 805 E. Miple, Bremingham, M. 8609, or cell Bill Parker Monday, evenings 6-10 jem at 644-1401.)

#### outdoors calendar

AND EVENTS

March 21 - Harold Knight, of Knight & Hale Game Calls, will conduct seminars on turkey and decide view for a the Sports Authority don, 277 Summit Drawe, Pontiac, e. March 21-24 - The 1991 Michiga Wilder and Wildlife Art Festival will be in Sandfield A. Wildlife Market-place the winning photos of the Conduct Wirters Association of Viners & Debut Contest, the Federal Draw Stampe competition, a decay pointing contest, and wildlife seminars and bestines will be featured at the Radieson Plaza Hotel. The South-largest exhibition of wildlife artists, and seminary promises the processing work by more than 50 of America, and promised to the Coll (447) 822-3630 for more information.

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biologist Ron Spitter, local pro charter fisherman Capt Steve Jones and more Admission is 33 adult, 13 sensor critizen. Children under 12 will be admitted free.

• March 24 - Western Wayne County Conservation Association will hold a 3-D-archery shoot at 10 am on its walk-through range in Plymouth Township, Call 453-883, 10 am to 5 45 pm daily or 425-687 evenings for mare information.

• March 31 Rabbut season ends statewise.

• March 31 1990 fishing licenses expire.

Morth 31 Plymouth Statewise of the family-oriented Four Seasons, Fishing Club will be at the Maplewood Center in Garden City. Call Tony Brehler at 477-3816 for more information.

• April 3 The Livonia-based Four Seasons Fishing Club will hold its monthly general membership meeting beginning at 730 pm. at the Maplewood Center in Garden City. Call Tony Brehler at 417-3816 for more information.

• April 3 A six-week fly-tying class begins at the Riverbend Systetished Prefergistration is required. Additional classes begin April 3 and April 23 Call 330-8848 for more information.

Bucks of Michigan will had its annual Wild Game Dimer at Roma's of Bloomfield Gourmet wild game but docurres and entries prepared by chef Roman Benrich Philipp will occure and entries prepared by chef Roman Benrich Philipp will be featured along with beer, wine, soft drinks, roast beef and chances on bundreds of door priese, Live and discovered will be used to support GBM as 1981 to write and maintain the records of the largest deer, bear, elk and turkey taken in Michigan Fortickets of more information, contact CBM at 3215 old Farm Lanc. Walled Lake, Mi 48008, or call G134 669-4750

• April 20 Thirteenth annual liver Crab Salmon Stakes fishing ournament, held each spring to raise money for the prevention of





exercising options

### **Partrich** 'Workout for Hope' helps fight AIDS

As an exercise educator, a columnist and a human being. I feel compelled to raise your height of awareness. As estimated, there are presently 100,000 AIDS cases in the United States and nearly 300,000 worldwide. An estimated 10 million people are already infected. This means a new AIDS vie time every 12 minutes. We still have no preventative vaccine no treatment which will result in a cure. We certainly all need help. There will be no one untouched by this horrible disease. We need money for research, treatment and education. The City of Hope for AIDS is an important organization to help faint the facilities. Scientists feed by John J. Ross, Ph.D. have developed in new test for the AIDS virus which will identify the virus within day, of expessive Before the test can be used, financing must be found for its mixer. Production. It must be submitted for F15a apprival and is cribation details must be worked out. This test is expected to be not not not for diagnosis, but to ensure the safety of the nation bleed bank supplies.

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City of Hope is working hard to develop drurs to right. All 8. Upper a \$2 million, three-year grant from the National Englished Alledge of Infectious Discusses, they are englished in a four-proof eight of the deep operation. All 8 patients They also offer education — a serie of a flow sederaged for health care professionals working institution for those sederaged for health care professionals working institution and the signed for health care professionals working institution in the anti-offer education — a serie of those sederaged for health care professionals working institution in the formation of the control of the sederaged for health care professionals working in the same of Americans will be united symbolically in a state-off in Work out for Hope physical fitness extravagance to be held in three criteria close the country.

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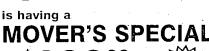
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