Date: 08/22/2024	*** Leroy Percy WMA ***	Club ID: 7004
Season: 2023		Acres: 1642
Location: Washington County, MS		Years on DMAP: 28
Soil Region: Delta	Biologist: Brad Holder	% Data Collected: 66

Table 1. Harvest Summary

	Number Harvested	Acres Per Deer Harvested					
Bucks	30	55					
Does	20	82					
Totals	50	33					

Table 2. Harvest History

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	RG 2022	Club Avg
Acres	1642	1642	N/A	N/A	1642	1642	1642	1642	1642	2200	387702	1712
Total Deer	50	19	N/A	N/A	13	8	8	16	8	18	2448	18
Buck	30	8	N/A	N/A	9	5	4	12	2	11	811	10
Doe	20	11	N/A	N/A	4	3	4	4	6	7	1637	7
Acres/Deer	33	86	N/A	N/A	126	205	205	103	205	122	158	98
Acres/Buck	55	205	N/A	N/A	182	328	410	137	821	200	478	169
Acres/Doe	82	149	N/A	N/A	410	547	410	410	274	314	237	232

Table 3. Age Distribution

	Bu	cks	Do	Des	Managem	ent Bucks	Criteria Bucks		
Age	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	
0.5	0	0	3	20	0	0	0	0	
1.5	4	22	4	27	0	0	4	22	
2.5	8	44	4	27	0	0	8	44	
3.5	5	28	3	20	0	0	5	28	
4.5	1	6	1	7	0	0	1	6	
5.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
6.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
7.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
8.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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Table 4. Statistics for Doe Harvest

Age	Number Harvested	Avg Live Weight	Percent Lactating		
0.5	3	98	0		
1.5	4	119	33		
2.5	4	130	100		
3.5	3	138	50		
4.5	1	120	100		
5.5	0	0	0		
6.5	0	0	0		
7.5	0	0	0		
8.5	0	0	0		
Totals	15	121			

Table 5. Doe Harvest History

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	RG 2022	Club Avg
Total Does	15	11	0	0	4	3	4	4	5	7	1915	5
Acres/Doe	109	149	N/A	N/A	410	547	410	410	328	314	202	258
% Harvest By Age												
% 0.5	20	18	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	8	13
% 1.5	27	0	0	0	0	33	0	0	20	43	20	17
% 2.5	27	55	0	0	50	33	75	100	20	57	22	47
% 3.5+	27	27	0	0	0	33	25	0	60	0	48	23
Average Weig	ht					•						
0.5	98	82	0	0	98	0	0	0	0	0	68	93
1.5	119	0	0	0	0	140	0	0	95	105	104	114
2.5	130	152	0	0	145	130	112	114	130	129	115	132
3.5+	134	153	0	0	0	120	120	0	135	0	123	131
% Lactation						•						
% 1.5	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12
% 2.5	100	20	0	0	100	100	33	0	0	50	59	41
% 2.5+	83	38	0	0	100	100	25	0	50	50	63	47
% 3.5+	67	67	0	0	0	0	0	0	67	0	64	60

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Table 6. Statistics for Yearling Bucks

	Number	Percent	Avg. Live Weight	Average Points
Spikes	2	50	120	2
Forks	2	50	0	4
Totals	4			

Table 7. Buck Statistics

	Live V	Veight	Points		Ba	Base		ngth	Spread		
Age	Number	Average									
0.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
1.5	4	116	4	3.2	4	2.0	4	8.3	4	8.2	
2.5	8	174	8	6.4	8	3.3	8	14.9	8	14.4	
3.5	5	210	5	8.2	4	4.0	5	19.5	5	15.4	
4.5	1	175	1	6	1	4.0	1	14.5	1	16.2	
5.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
6.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
7.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
8.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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Table 8. Buck Harvest	History	(All Bucks)
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	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	RG 2022	Club Avg
Bucks	18	8	0	0	9	5	4	11	3	11	984	7
Acres/Buck	91	205	N/A	N/A	182	328	410	149	547	200	394	198
% .5 Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	0	5	1
# .5 Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	46	1
Avg Weight	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	71	50
% 1.5 Bucks	22	12	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	7	10
# 1.5 Bucks	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	65	0.88
% Spikes	50	100	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	46	71
Avg Weight	116	135	0	0	0	0	0	123	0	0	127	121
Avg Points	3.25	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	3
Avg Base	2.0	1.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.3	1.9
Avg Length	8.3	3.2	0	0	0	0	0	2.0	0	0	6.8	6.4
Avg Spread	8.2	4.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7.7	7.4
% 2.5 Bucks	44	38	0	0	44	60	50	45	33	36	14	43
# 2.5 Bucks	8	3	0	0	4	3	2	5	1	4	141	3.75
Avg Weight	174	203	0	0	154	185	172	173	175	184	175	177
Avg Points	6.38	5.33	0	0	5.75	7	7	7	10	7.75	8	7
Avg Base	3.3	3.0	0	0	3.9	3.5	2.9	3.7	2.5	2.9	3.8	3.3
Avg Length	14.9	11.6	0	0	16.1	16.8	14.7	16.8	16.9	15.0	16.8	15.3
Avg Spread	14.4	12.8	0	0	11.4	14.2	12.8	15.4	14.5	12.8	14.4	13.7
% 3.5 Bucks	28	50	0	0	44	40	50	27	33	36	18	36
# 3.5 Bucks	5	4	0	0	4	2	2	3	1	4	173	3.12
Avg Weight	210	196	0	0	193	222	202	199	180	195	191	201
Avg Points	8.2	8.25	0	0	8	7	8.5	8.33	6	9	8	9
Avg Base	4.0	4.0	0	0	4.1	3.9	3.3	3.8	5.2	4.4	4.1	4.0
Avg Length	19.5	18.6	0	0	16.7	18.1	17.3	17.6	19.5	18.0	19.0	18.2
Avg Spread	15.4	15.6	0	0	14.2	16.1	13.6	15.8	17.0	14.1	15.7	15.1
% 4.5 + Bucks	6	0	0	0	11	0	0	9	0	27	54	9
# 4.5 + Bucks	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	3	211	0.75
Avg Weight	175	0	0	0	130	0	0	170	0	202	204	180
Avg Points	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	6.33	9	6
Avg Base	4.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.1	0	3.1	4.6	4.6
Avg Length	14.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	22.0	0	18.7	20.6	18.5
Avg Spread	16.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	17.0	0	15.1	16.8	15.7

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Table 9. Criteria Buck Harvest History

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	RG 2022	Club Avg
Bucks	18	8	0	0	9	5	4	11	3	11	881	7
Acres/Buck	91	205	N/A	N/A	182	328	410	149	547	200	440	198
% .5 Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	0	5	1
# .5 Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	45	1
Avg Weight	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	71	50
% 1.5 Bucks	22	12	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	6	10
# 1.5 Bucks	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	56	0.88
% Spikes	50	100	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	39	71
Avg Weight	116	135	0	0	0	0	0	123	0	0	130	121
Avg Points	3.25	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	3
Avg Base	2.0	1.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.3	1.9
Avg Length	8.3	3.2	0	0	0	0	0	2.0	0	0	7.9	6.4
Avg Spread	8.2	4.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8.3	7.4
% 2.5 Bucks	44	38	0	0	44	60	50	45	33	36	15	43
# 2.5 Bucks	8	3	0	0	4	3	2	5	1	4	131	3.75
Avg Weight	174	203	0	0	154	185	172	173	175	184	177	177
Avg Points	6.38	5.33	0	0	5.75	7	7	7	10	7.75	8	7
Avg Base	3.3	3.0	0	0	3.9	3.5	2.9	3.7	2.5	2.9	3.8	3.3
Avg Length	14.9	11.6	0	0	16.1	16.8	14.7	16.8	16.9	15.0	16.9	15.3
Avg Spread	14.4	12.8	0	0	11.4	14.2	12.8	15.4	14.5	12.8	14.7	13.7
% 3.5 Bucks	28	50	0	0	44	40	50	27	33	36	17	36
# 3.5 Bucks	5	4	0	0	4	2	2	3	1	4	154	3.12
Avg Weight	210	196	0	0	193	222	202	199	180	195	192	201
Avg Points	8.2	8.25	0	0	8	7	8.5	8.33	6	9	8	9
Avg Base	4.0	4.0	0	0	4.1	3.9	3.3	3.8	5.2	4.4	4.1	4.0
Avg Length	19.5	18.6	0	0	16.7	18.1	17.3	17.6	19.5	18.0	19.2	18.2
Avg Spread	15.4	15.6	0	0	14.2	16.1	13.6	15.8	17.0	14.1	15.9	15.1
% 4.5 + Bucks	6	0	0	0	11	0	0	9	0	27	53	9
# 4.5 + Bucks	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	3	188	0.75
Avg Weight	175	0	0	0	130	0	0	170	0	202	204	180
Avg Points	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	6.33	9	6
Avg Base	4.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.1	0	3.1	4.6	4.6
Avg Length	14.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	22.0	0	18.7	20.8	18.5
Avg Spread	16.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	17.0	0	15.1	16.9	15.7

Description of the Data and Glossary of Terms

This report is based on data MDWFP receives from DMAP clubs. The club/cooperator information in the heading, including acres under management and soil region, is based on the Annual DMAP Application. Please contact your DMAP Biologist if any of the information in the heading is incorrect. The "% Data Collected" field is the percentage of deer reported on the DMAP datasheet for which jawbones were received. Harvest totals in Tables 1 and 2 are based on deer harvest reported on the DMAP datasheet (regardless of whether a jawbone was received). All other tables are based on submitted jawbones in adequate condition to age using the tooth wear and replacement technique. For all tables including Soil Region Average data, the regional data column is labeled "RG20xx." For all tables, Criteria Buck and Management Buck are defined below. Buck designations are made by the DMAP Biologist. If no designations are made, all bucks are classified as Criteria. If you have questions about Management and Criteria bucks, please contact your DMAP Biologist.

<u>Soil Region Average</u> (e.g., Regional Average or RG20xx) – the average of all deer in a specified parameter (i.e., harvest total, lactation, weight, etc.) reported for the year in question is used as an indicator of overall deer herd health by comparing club averages to other DMAP clubs in the same soil region.

<u>Criteria Buck</u> or perhaps a "trophy buck" – a buck deemed to have antler characteristics that satisfy the club's goals for antler quality. This determination is generally made by the DMAP biologist in collaboration with the DMAP club and considers buck age, antler characteristics, soil region averages, and the goals of the DMAP club.

<u>Management Buck</u> or perhaps a "cull buck" – a harvested buck deemed to have below average antler characteristics compared to other bucks in the same age class and soil region. As with Criteria bucks, this determination is generally made by the DMAP biologist in collaboration with the DMAP club.

Lactation Index – the percentage of does for which a DMAP club recorded "detecting lactation" on the datasheet. Where sample sizes are sufficient, this index is used to determine the number of adult does that successfully raised fawns and is used to help estimate fawn recruitment. These data may be highly variable based on the timing of doe harvest in the annual cycle, as well as how thoroughly club members check for lactation. Generally, a favorable lactation index would be 60% or greater for adult does. A low lactation index (with adequate sample size) may indicate poor habitat, overpopulation, or a significant predation influence. Doe harvest early in the season (Oct- Dec) is generally better in estimating fawn recruitment vs late season harvest (after does finish lactating). For this report, lactation index is adjusted to account for late-season harvest.

<u>Dressed Weights</u> - average weight to the nearest pound of a dressed animal. A dressed animal should have both the forward (heart and lungs and rear (intestines) viscera removed but not any part of the remaining carcass. Comparing club average body weights from year to year or to the coordinating soil region average can be an indicator of overall herd health. Typically, doe carcass condition is a more reliable indicator of herd health than that of bucks due to the drastic fluctuation of buck body weights during the rut. Significant annual changes in carcass condition may indicate changes in habitat, mast crop, herd density, disease influence, or even severe weather conditions.

<u>Age Distribution of Harvest</u> – an estimate of age structure of the population, though generally only the doe segment is assessed, as buck harvest is often biased. Balanced deer herds typically show some harvest across all age classes. However, an age structure with more older animals (>40% 3 years old or greater) may indicate a stockpile of older animals which could signal an overabundant deer herd. Age distribution data is generally best considered in context with other harvest data (i.e., lactation index, doe body weights), as well as observation data (i.e., adult sex ratio, fawn recruitment) and even camera survey data (i.e., deer density, buck age structure).

<u>Fawn Recruitment</u> – a measurement of the number of fawns per adult doe that survive to at least 4-6 months of age. Recruitment tends to improve with increased harvest due to freeing up available resources. Generally fawn recruitment is measured using hunter observation data or camera surveys.

<u>Adult Sex Ratio</u> – ratio of the total number of does to total number of bucks in a deer herd. Typically, adult sex ratio is measured using observation data or camera surveys. Deer are born at nearly a 1:1 ratio of does to bucks. Thus, adult sex ratios closer to 1:1 are ideal. In trophy management scenarios adult sex ratio may be skewed towards more bucks, but most deer herds range from 1.5:1 to 3:1.

Important DMAP Reminders for Each Season

• For more information, visit www.mdwfp.com/DMAP and check out the Deer Managers Toolkit.

• If club acreages are incorrect, they should be updated on your DMAP Application. Contact your DMAP Biologist for help updating your DMAP Application.

- Calibrate your body weight scale(s) each year, especially if your club has multiple scales.
- Don't forget to retrieve jawbones from taxidermy bucks. The mature bucks are the most important to have aged.
- Do your best to collect all data completely. Check udders thoroughly for lactation.

• Hunter observation data can provide useful information, especially in clubs with small harvest data sets. Ask your biologist about hunter observation books.