Department of Kinesiology

***Course Fee: 100.00, Due: 16 January***

***Course Syllabus and Outline***

***Introduction to Fishing***

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***Room: 1081 Beard-Eaves Memorial Coliseum***

***Manual to be used: Basic Fishing by Doug Barr/Alabama Department of Natural Resources***

***09 January***

Introduction to the course including the following;

\*Cost

\*Equipment needed (rod and reel)

\*Expectations of the course from both the student and instructor

\*Expectation of the course from the Kinesiology Department

\*Fishing the sport of Presidents

\*What species of fish will we be angling for ?

 \* Bluegill (ie Bream, shellcracker)

 \* Crappie

 \* Bass (largemouth, spotted, smallmouth, striped bass)

***11 January***

 \*Meet the Bluegill (bream, shellcracker).

 \*Habitat

 \*Characteristics

 \*When do they bite the best ?

 \*What is the best bait ?

 \*Methods of catching bluegill.

  ***16 January***

\*Casting Day, meet on the Coliseum floor with your rod and reel.

  ***18 January***

\*Meet the Crappie (spec, sok u lee, white, and black).

 \*habitat

 \*Characteristics

 \*When do they bite the best?

 \*What is the best bait?

 \*Methods of catching crappie

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***23 January***

 \*Casting day, meet on the Coliseum floor with your rod and reel.

***27 January***

 \*Meet the Largemouth Bass (bucket mouth, Large head, Big Mamma)

 \*Habitat

 \*Characteristics

 \*When to they bite the best?

 \*What are the best baits?

 \*Methods of catching largemouth bass

***30 January***

 \*Casting day, meet on the Coliseum floor with your rod and reel.

***01 February***

 \*Continuation of the Largemouth Bass in the classroom

***06 February***

 \*Casting day on the Coliseum floor

***08 February***

 \*Meet the Spotted Bass (Kentucky Bass, Coosa River Spot, Alabama Spotted Bass)

 \* Habitat….ever expanding, why ?

 \* Characteristics

 \* When do they bite the best ?

 \* What are the best baits……….welcome to finesse fishing !

 \* Methods of catching the Spotted Bass……….color matters !

***13 February***

\*Casting day, meet on the Coliseum floor with your rod and reel.

***15 February***

 \*Meet the Striped Bass (striper, lineside, rock bass)

 \*Habitat…………..no not just a saltwater fish

 \*Characteristics……BIG and STRONG

 \*When do they bite the best ?

 \*What are the best baits ?

 \*Methods of catching the Striped Bass

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***20 February***

\*Meet the Smallmouth Bass………the fish is brown

 \*Habitat…………………….not this far South, except for Yates Lake

 \*Characteristics………..acrobatic

 \*When do they bite the best ?

 \*What are the best baits ?

 \*Methods of catching Smallmouth Bass……think pea gravel !

***22 February***

 \*Casting day, meet on the Coliseum floor with your rod and reel.

***27 February***

 \*Lakes and ponds, yes there is a difference.

***29 February***

\*Casting day, meet on the Coliseum floor with your rod and reel.

***05 March***

 \*Fishing line and fishing knots

 \*Monfilament

 \*Braid

 \*Flourocarbon

 \*Three basic knots; Trilene, Palomar, clinch

***07 March***

 \*Bass Pro Shops in the classroom

***19 March***

 \*Rods and reels, what is the best fit??

 \* Spinning, baitcasting, and spincast reels

 \* Graphite and fiberglass fishing rods

***21 March***

 \*Continuation of rods and reels; care and maintenance

***26 March***

 \*Casting day, meet on the Coliseum floor with your rod and reel.

***28 March***

\*Care of your fish

 \*Ice vs. Oxygen

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***02 April***

 \*Water Safety: PFD’s, First Aid, and Sun Protection

***04 April***

 \*So you want to see how good you are……Competitive Fishing 101

 \* Crappiethons

 \* Bass Tournaments

***09 April***

 \*Alabama fishing regulations

 \*Where to fish

***11 April***

 \*Casting Competition

***16 April***

 \*Casting competition

***18 April***

 \*Casting Competition

***25 April***

\*Final exam