

# Ontario Outdoors



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YES, I know: the fish I was holding in the photo last week was not a trout but a BASS.

### GUNLAWS

The Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters believes that Federal government officials have clearly misrepresented the facts and their intentions for the implementation of a system requiring new gun owners to purchase a Firearms Acquisition Certificate and pass certain police checks.

The 18,000 member conservation organization is concerned that the government has said one thing, but is doing another. O.F.A.H. 2nd vice-president James Hook of Kenora, expressed concern that Justice Minister Ron Basford and Solicitor General, Francis Fox, misled the Canadian people prior to the passage of Bill C51. In their pamphlet "Questions and Answers on Gun Control", the Government stated "no document will be required for long guns they already own." Federal officials now advise that no manufacturer or gunsmith will be allowed to return a firearm to its owner following repair, unless the owner purchases a Firearms Acquisition Certificate. This requirement is being imposed despite Government assurances in advertisements to the public, which stated "if you own your own guns and store them safely, it won't affect you at all."

Federation President, Harvey Goldsmith of Toronto stated that "This legislation must be amended to correct this situation. Even the Government publication entitled "Gun Control in Canada," which was produced after Bill C51 was passed, says that "those persons currently in possession of hunting and sporting rifles will not be required to obtain Firearms Acquisition Certificates for those weapons, but only for new acquisitions." If you can't believe a Government publication, what can you believe?

Ontario's Chief Provincial Firearms Officer, J.C. Villemaire, was amazed when the O.F.A.H. told him of the Government's intention with respect to repaired firearms, and at first didn't believe it. He first heard of it from the sportsmen's group and verified it with Ottawa by telephone. Apparently, he will do his best to correct the situation.

Chief Inspector Villemaire advised the O.F.A.H.

that firearms with the gun locks marketed by the Federation to raise funds for their conservation work, would normally be considered safely stored.

### RECIPE CORRECTION

Even though I am sure that everyone realized the mistake in the recipe last week I am going to correct it. Use  $\frac{3}{4}$  TEASPOON of Baking Soda and NOT  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup. Thank you for your kind comments on the insertion of recipes at special times of the year into this column.

Two more for today: for those who get bored with the everyday taste of potatoes here is POTATOES RAY: Take half cup THYME, 2 teaspoons salt, 1 teaspoon pepper, and 1 PAT of butter for each potatoe. Cut  $\frac{3}{4}$  way through each spud lengthwise, sprinkle THYME liberally into cut, add salt, then pepper and place butter on top. Wrap in foil and bake as for normal baked potatoes. Good for home, cottage and especially the camp. Adjust the amount of the HERB, THYME to taste. SOURDOUGH FRUIT BRED: one-third cup butter, 1 cup sugar (half of brown and half of white) 1 egg, 1 cup sour dough starter, 1 cup coarsely mashed banana, 2 cups SIFTED all purpose flour, 1 TSPN baking powder,  $\frac{1}{2}$  TSPN SODA, 1 TSPN salt, 1 cup chopped pecans or walnuts. Cream butter and sugar together, until fluffy. Beat in egg. Add sourdough starter and banana, mix well.

Resift the flour with baking powder, soda and salt

into mixing bowl. Stir only until blended. Stir in nuts. Turn into a greased 9x5 inch loaf pan. Bake at 350F about 1 hour or until the loaf test out as done. Different from anything you have ever had before and truly good.

### GIFT IDEAS

GIFTS for the outdoors person. BOOKS are always a sure thing, and the Complete Hunters Almanac by Jerome Knap ranks high as a great book gift.

For the gun buff, the GUN DIGEST, 33rd anniversary edition, 1979 is a book that will be welcomed.

This book also had a section on folding knives and is a welcome addition to the lore of knives. Every man and boy wants a folding pocket knife.

There are many that you could buy as gifts, in fact the array is confusing. Possibly a gift certificate for the knife of his choice, or you could trust the PUMA FOLDER to be appreciated by every outdoors person. This knife is made from 745 stainless steel and boasts imported INDIAN STAG "COVER". Really beautiful and functional.

### QUESTIONS ANSWERED

In order to answer the many questions that are asked, and save me a lot of time, I have taken the opportunity to answer them below.

Q. Where do you get all the sour dough recipes?

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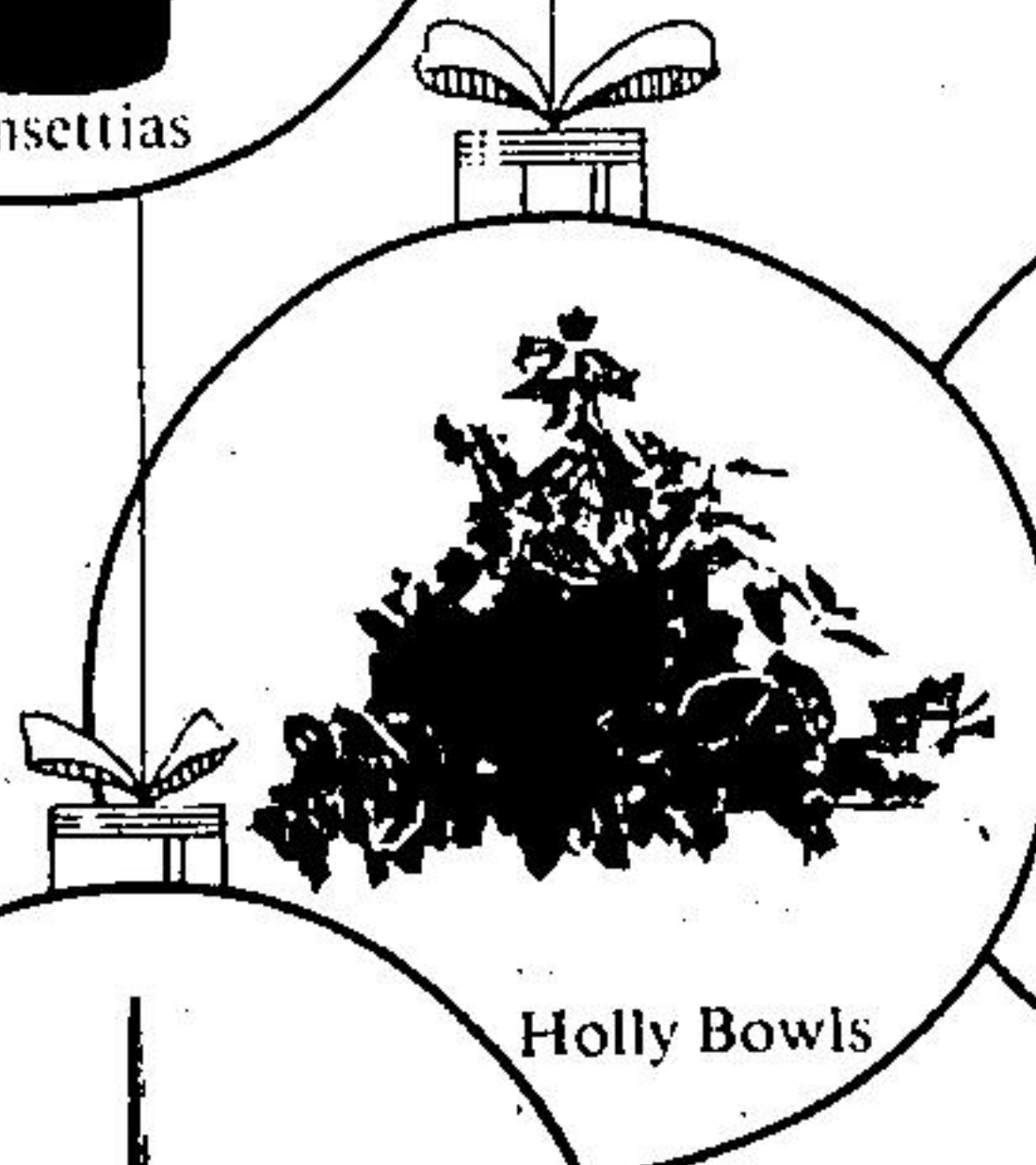
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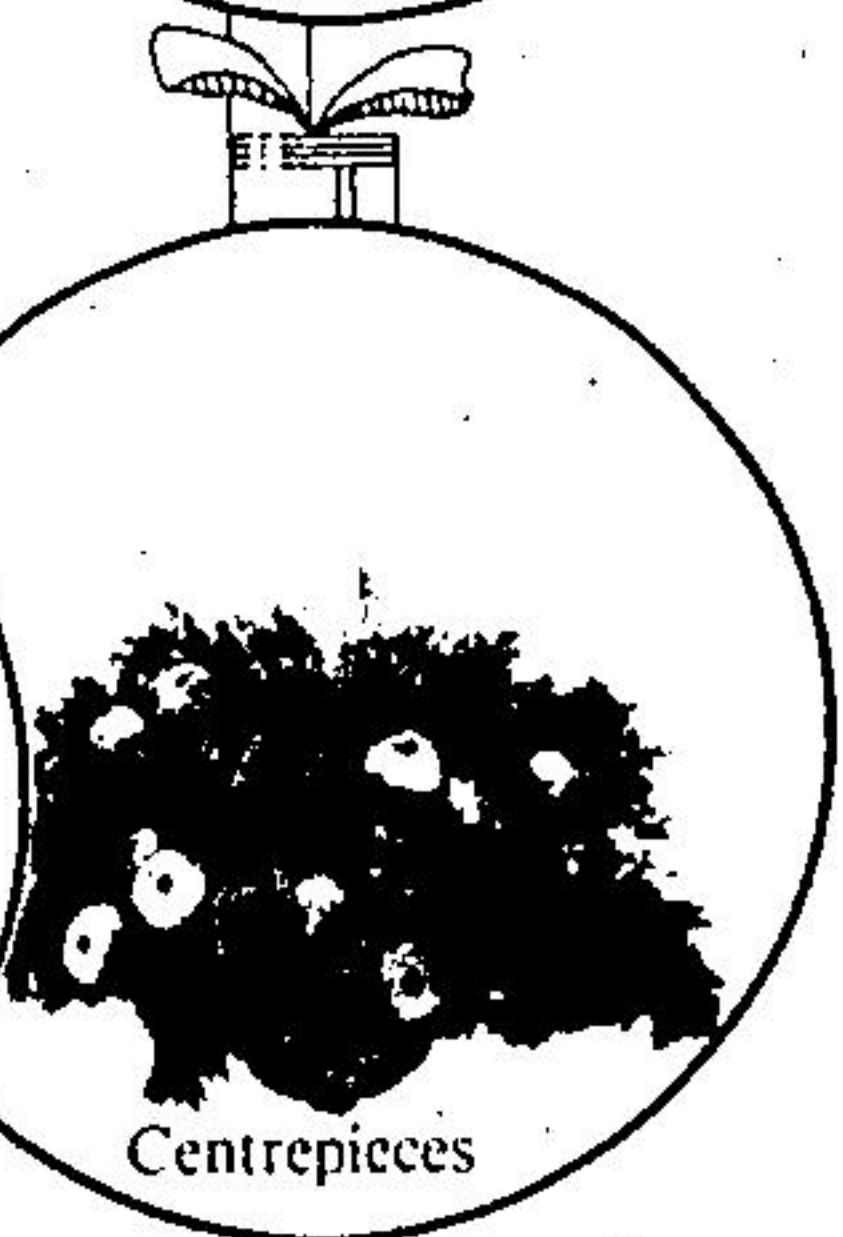
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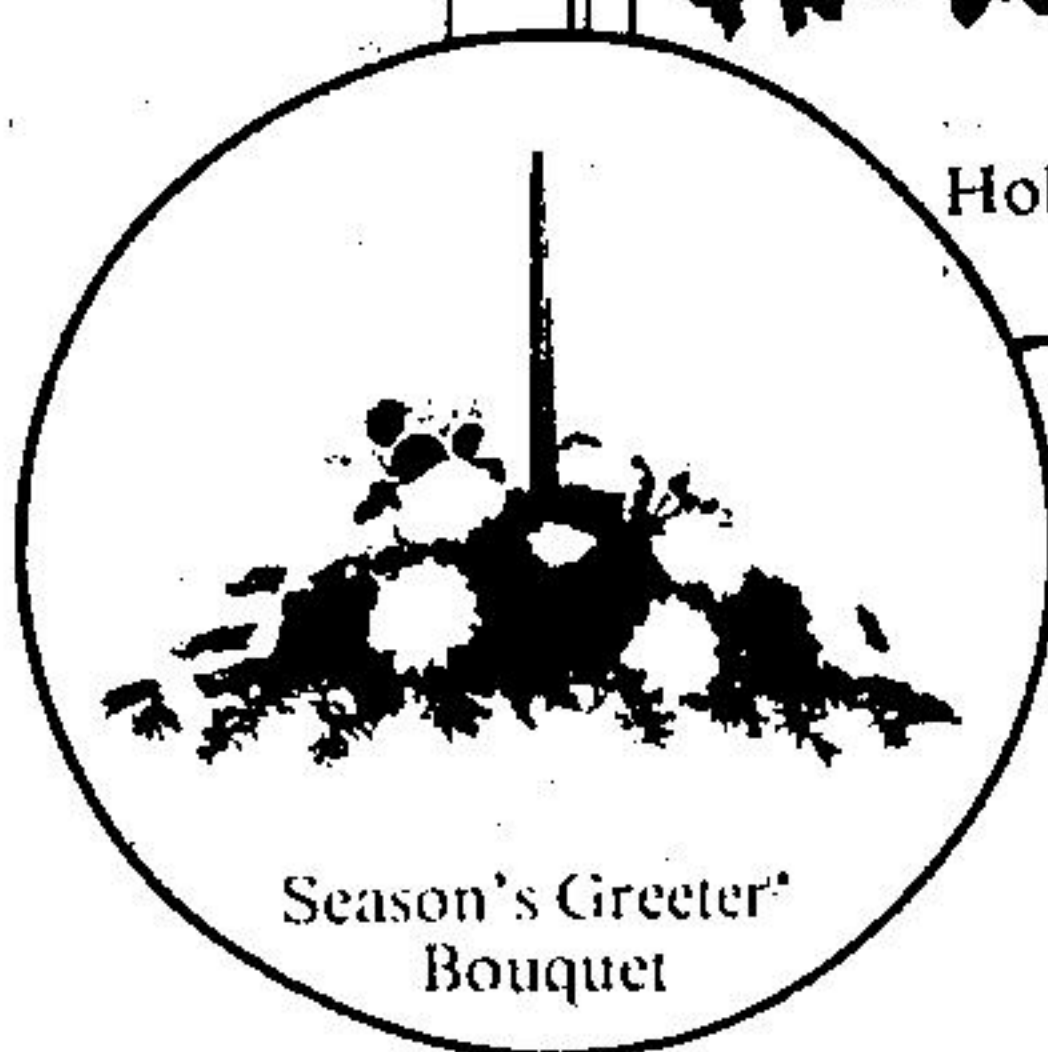
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