

Wildfowlers Contest – Not an IWCA Contest

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NORTH AMERICAN SPECIES as show in the National Audubon Society The Sibley Guide to Birds

1. Decoys must be made of wood, cork or stretched canvas. Machine duplicated decoys will be disqualified.
2. Decoys must be carved to accentuate decoying capabilities, not necessarily realistic qualities.
3. Decoys will be judged on simplicity, practicality and durability.
4. Decoys must be carved in the traditional hunting decoy style – no detailed or fragile bills, necks, wing tips or tails. ** No raised primaries, No carved details in bills, slight mandible separation will be permitted** **STRICTLEY ENFORCED**
5. Decoys must be painted in traditional hunting decoy style – brushing, ragging, stippling, combing, scratching, blending or burned cork. No feather definition other than outline will be allowed.
6. Flocking is **NOT** permitted.
7. Paint must be non-fouling and must be able to withstand the day to day rigors of hunting – careless handling, bagging, ice, heavy seas, taking shots, etc.
8. All decoys must have been made within (1) one year of the show date and never entered in any ODCCA show.

PRE-JUDGING

Decoys will be staged at a pre-judging station after entry forms are accepted with payment in full. Chairmen and or CO-chairman will pre judge using the rules as printed.

NO refunds will be made for disqualified decoys

JUDGING

1. Judges will NOT be allowed to touch or handle any decoy before or during judging. A predetermined distance will be set by the Chairmen of the Wildfowlers contest in the spirit of - **LOOKING FOR THE BEST DECOY THAT INCORPORATES ALL THE QUALITIES OF A TRUE HUNTING DECOY**. Judging will be done from a blind.
2. Decoys will be tossed into a large body of water and must self-right from the position that they land. Decoys will be disqualified for failure to self-right. Keels must be practical and non-fouling.
3. Decoys must have a facility for an anchor line attachment.
4. Decoys will be judged by species. Contestants may enter only one HEN and one DRAKE of any one species. First, Second and Third place birds in each species will receive ribbons. Only first place birds of each species will be entered in Best of Class.
5. Single species entered in a class does not guarantee placement.
6. The six (6) Decoy Classes are: Marsh Duck, Diving Duck, Sea Duck, Goose and Swan, Confidence & Stretched Canvas.

Only Birds listed in each class will be judged

Marsh Class: All species of black duck, gadwall, mallard, pintail, shoveler, teal, widgeon, & wood duck.

Diving Class: Contains all species of blue bills, bufflehead, canvasback, golden eye, mergansers, redhead, ring neck & ruddy ducks.

Sea Duck Class: All species of eider, harlequin, long tail & scoter.

Goose & Swan Class: All species of brant, geese & swan.

Confidence Class: All species of coots, grebes, gulls, loons & terns.

Stretched Canvas Class: Contains all species listed above in all classes. All species entered will be judged as one class.

1. 1st, 2nd & 3rd Best of Show will be judged from 1st place birds from the six (6) classes.
2. Decoys entered in the IWCA Style Hunting Decoy contest WILL NOT be eligible to be entered in Wildfowler's or Shooting Stool competition. Carvers may not move decoys from the Shooting Stool Contest into the Wildfowler's Contest, or from Wildfowler's Contest into the Shooting Stool Contest.
3. All Decoys must remain on display until 3:00 PM Sunday.

Registration Times:

- Sunday, March 21, 2010 – 7:30 to 8:45AM - Pool Side
- Saturday Evening - March 20, 2010 Room 232 – 8 to 10PM.

Entry Fees:

All Classes - \$10 for first entry and \$5 for each additional entry
 Youth Class – No Entry Fee

Awards for Wildfowler's:

	<u>First Place</u>	<u>Second Place</u>	<u>Third Place</u>
Best of Show – Open	Shotgun & Rosette	Rosette	Rosette
<p>The Best of Show decoy will remain with the O.D.C.C.A. for one year for display purposes at the Migratory Bird Center, Magee Marsh and then returned to the carver.</p>			
Best in Category	Rosette	Ribbon	Ribbon

Wildfowler's Youth Contest (Special Contest)

Sponsored by The Duck Blind

Must be 17 years or younger on the date of the contest. Rules for the Wildfowlers Youth will be the same as the Wildfowler's. Except bird will be judged by age group/ Ages groups are: 14 to 17, 10 to 13, & 9 and younger

Wildfowlers Youth	<u>First Place</u>	<u>Second Place</u>	<u>Third Place</u>	<u>Honorable Mention</u>
Age Group 14 to 17	All Age Groups receive: Rosette	All Age Groups receive: Rosette	All Age Groups Receive: Rosette	Ribbon
Age Group 10 to 13	Age Applicable Carvers Pkg. & Plaque	Age Applicable Carvers Pkg. & Plaque	Age Applicable Carvers Pkg. & Plaque	
Age Group 9 and younger				

Shooting Stool Contest - Not an IWCA Contest

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2. ** Shooting Stools will be judged by class. The six (6) Decoy Classes are: **Marsh Duck, Diving Duck, Sea Duck, Goose and Swan, Confidence and Stretched Canvas**
3. **Contestants must enter six (6) decoys of the same species with **AT LEAST TWO OF EACH SEX.**
4. Decoys must be equipped with short 12" lines as they will be attached to mother lines.

5. Decoys must be made of wood, cork or stretched canvas. Machine duplicated decoys will be disqualified.
6. Decoys must be carved to accentuate decoying capabilities, not necessarily realistic qualities. Decoys will be judged on simplicity, practicality and durability.
7. ****Decoys must be carved in traditional hunting decoy style-no detailing or fragile bills, necks, wing tips or tails. **No raised primaries, No carved details in bills, slight mandible separation will be permitted** STRICTLEY ENFORCED**
8. Decoys must be painted in traditional hunting decoy style - brushing, ragging, stippling, combing, scratching, blending or burned cork. No feather definition other than outline will be allowed. No flocking will be permitted.
9. Decoy must be carved and painted so as to be easily duplicated to create a shooting rig of thirty-six or more decoys. ****Birds should be painted in a manner so that any duck hunter can maintain its appearance from season to season****
10. Decoys themselves must be non-fouling and must be able to withstand the day to day rigors of hunting – careless handling, bagging, ice, heavy seas, taking shots, etc

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JUDGING

1. ****Decoys will be tossed into a large body of water and must self-right from the position that they land. Decoys will be disqualified for failure to self-right. Weights and keels must be practical and non-fouling. Decoys must have a facility for an anchor line.**
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Best of Show – Open	Shotgun & Rosette	Rosette	Rosette
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Best in Category	Rosette	Ribbon	Ribbon