

New Contests, New Prizes, New Times

• **NEW! ODCCA Working Decoy Championship, Best of Show \$400 Purchase Award Contest – Tank, (Not IWCA)**

• See page 4 of the 2022 Rules.

• **NEW! Senior Decorative Life-size Floating - Tank, ribbons.** This is the only contest where decoys can be entered in more than one contest with entry fee paid for each contest.

• See page 5 of the 2022 Rules.

• **NEW! Cocktail-size Fish Decoy contest.** \$150 & rosette. Silent auction with 50% of proceeds going to carver.

• See page 7 of the 2022 Rules.

Other Contest Changes:

- ✓ Friday Night Kid's Painting contest will be a **Blue Gill**.
- ✓ Ward World Youth Silhouette contest is a **Peep**. See page 7, 2022 Rules.
- ✓ Shorebird Paint-at-Show will be a **Piping Plover**. See page 8, 2022 Rules.
- ✓ Fish Decoy Carve-at-Home and Paint-at-Show will be a **Pan Fish**.
- ✓ Decoy Paint-at-Show contest will be a **Canada Goose Picklehead**.

What is a Picklehead?

The subject of the Sunday 3-hour Decoy Paint-at-Show contest will be a Canada Goose Picklehead.

This is not a contest involving vegetables, but is simply a duck head on a stick. Hunters stick these heads into the ground to attract waterfowl. By using a Picklehead blank rather than a full-size Canada Goose, it should provide more time to add lots of nice detail. Contact Matt

Falkinburg, 216-538-2495, or email mattfalk@msn.com to request a blank. And yes, we know the example shown is a Pintail Picklehead.

To enter the Ballroom, you must wear your show badge that is included with your \$5 weekend admission, or with your ODCCA membership.

WILDFOWLER POOL CONTESTS - 10 a.m., Sunday

The cash prize of \$500 for the Wildfowler Single Decoy contest is the largest amount of prize money for a hunting decoy in the country!

- **NEW! Wildfowler Single Decoy, \$500, rosette, plaque, Open Best of Show.**
- **NEW! Wildfowler 6-Bird Rig, \$150 rosette, plaque, Open Best of Show.**
- **NEW! Wildfowler Youth, \$25 vendor gift card, Best of Show in 3 age groups.**

• **NEW! Wildfowler Registration times.**

Friday: Ballroom, March 18, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Ballroom, March 19, 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

Sunday, Poolside, March 20, 7:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

• **NEW! Wildfowler entries will be on display in the Ballroom for public viewing throughout the day on Saturday prior to the Sunday morning contest. Volunteers will be needed to help move the decoys to the pool area.**

• **NEW! Wildfowler contests to be held Sunday morning, judging begins 10 a.m.**

Wildfowler Survey: In response to many suggestions made at the 2019 show, Vince Ciola and Ken Stuparyk reached out to Wildfowler participants to seek their input. The Wildfowler survey results can be viewed at www.odcca.net.

2020 Photo Comparisons: Many carvers requested a visual reference. So a photo insert is included in this newsletter that compares the decoys and rules of the three gunning contests: IWCA Style Decoy, ODCCA Working Decoy Championship, and Wildfowler contests. See pages 5 & 6 for the 2022 contest rules.

Become a Sponsor

Any donation, \$50, \$100, \$200, or more is greatly appreciated to help our show continue its many traditions. Consider sponsoring a contest, donations towards ribbons, purchasing blanks for the kids' contest, in-kind services, or in memorium, etc. Your generosity will be acknowledged in the show program and newsletter.

Palm Frond Decorative and Decoy Purchase Award Contests

Artists say the Palm Frond contests are most challenging.

The Palm Frond Decorative and Decoy contests are among the most creative and thought-provoking contests at the ODCCA Show. Using a palm frond as the primary material, artists are challenged to portray the "essence of the species" of their subject while retaining as much of the character of the Palm Frond as possible with allowable emphasis on creativity.



2019 Palm Frond Decoy,

Best of Show, Torrent Duck made by artist Joe Tamborra, Terrebonne Quebec, Canada.

The Palm Frond contests are the highest paying competitions at the show!

A total of \$5,700 in purchase money is awarded. **Thank you to Doug Miller and family** for once again sponsoring these imaginative and challenging contests.

Awards - Palm Frond Decoy Contest

Best of Show \$900 Purchase Award & Special Rosette

2nd Best of Show \$800 Purchase Award & Special Rosette

3rd Best of Show \$700 Purchase Award & Special Rosette

Awards - Palm Frond Decorative Contest

Best of Show \$1,200 Purchase Award & Special Rosette

2nd Best of Show \$1,100 Purchase Award & Special Rosette

3rd Best of Show \$1,000 Purchase Award & Special Rosette

It's easy to get started! For about \$20 and postage, Palm Fronds can be obtained from **Daniel Montano**, dmontano1@hotmail.com, or call **Chet Wilcox, 916-961-5400**. Order your Palm Frond now!

Be creative! Palm Frond contests are very popular throughout the country, and are featured in the Ward World Championship in Ocean City, Maryland. See page 4 of the 2022 rules.

2. Over \$11,000 in prize money. Twenty-four contests, all skill levels welcome!