

**Minutes from CWA Board Meeting
November 8, 2017**

Attendees: Chris Samor, Rich Chmiel, Rick Boucher, Greg Chasko, Dakota Flis (guest)

Banquet Pricing: Board decided to price tickets at \$55/adult; \$80/couple. Early purchasers at \$50/adult; \$75/couple. Tickets will be available online at the CWA website.

Sporting Clays Shoot: Set for Sunday October 7, 2018 at Guilford Sportsmen's Association. We need to get 50 shooters!

Membership: Board decided to maintain April 15 as the renewal date as this date is close to when we hold the Banquet. If someone joins late in the cycle (after November 1, their membership will run until the following April). Our Web Master is looking into Programs that will facilitate tracking Membership and renewals.

Reneson original painting raffle: Board decided to limit ticket sales to 100 at \$50.00/apiece. Next steps are to have tickets printed and advertise the raffle. Winner to be drawn at the April 15, 2018 Banquet.

CWA properties: We need to decide what to do with our three properties. Keep them? Try to sell them? Donate them to another conservation organization or town? First step is to get out and take a look at them

Mentor Program: No new applicants this year, but we have several holdovers from previous years that Mentors will try to get out.

CT Carver's page: All carvers who are CWA members were contacted to submit some photos of their decoys and a short resume. To date, Rich Chmiel has responded and his info is up on the Website.

Cabela's Program for donations/discounts to non-profit conservation organizations: Necessary paper work has been submitted. Waiting to hear back from Cabela's.

List of Sponsors: Need to get our list of Sponsors logos up on our Website. Current sponsors include: Mossberg, Final Approach, Primos, Sitka, Tangle Free, Wild Edge, Baron, Harris Outdoors, Conquer the Call, Carl's Custom Calls. Let's be sure that we have not omitted anyone.

Waterfowl Mounts for the Barn for Artistic Youth (BAY): CWA obtained several mounts through a personal connection and delivered them to the BAY. The BAY submits many painting to the Jr. Duck Stamp contest. Check out our Website in the "News" section for a photo and details.

Handicapped Waterfowl Hunting Blind: CWA will work with the DEEP's Wildlife Division to repair the existing handicapped blind at Babcock Pond WMA in East Haddam. Also, to find a better location for another handicapped accessible blind.

Winter Newsletter: We should get another Newsletter out January or February.

List of Events:

- Wood Duck box building day: 3/3/18
- Jr. Duck Stamp Art Judging: 3/21/18
- Banquet: 4/15/18
- Training Day: 9/9/18
- Sporting Clays: 10/7/18