



# The North Carolina Taxidermist Association Newsletter

*Winter 2022*

## *Letter from the President*

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Happy New Year!

The Summer Show was a success, and we had a great time competing and experiencing the comradely that comes with attending our event. I would like to thank everyone who had a part in the planning and setup of the 2021 show. It takes hard work and dedication to pull a show like ours off and it wouldn't be able to get done without the many hands that are involved. I'd also like to congratulate our many winners! You all entered wonderful mounts and I hope you continue to challenge yourselves with your entry pieces next year.

Next year's show dates are July 28-30, 2022. We will be returning to the Village Inn Event Center in Clemmons, NC so be sure to lock those dates down on your calendars. The President's Challenge will be the Wood Duck (either drake or hen) so I'm looking at you, Bird Guys and Gals, to bring your best woodies! I'm also challenging you hair and scales taxidermists to give feathers a try. It may be YOUR mount that receives the President's Challenge Award.

I hope everyone had a great hunting and holiday season and am looking forward to get started on the details for your next Summer Show!

God Bless,  
Sabra Cahoon  
NCTA President

***The North Carolina  
Taxidermist's Association  
2022 Officers***

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*New Officers & Board  
Members for 2022 are...*

**New Officers**

*Vice President- Kendall Wilson*

**Board Members**

*Coastal- Brian Piro  
Piedmont- David Beamon  
Mountains- Brandon Brown*

***2022 Board Members***

**Mountain**

Brandon Brown 496 HS Dalton Rd Hendersonville, NC 28739 828-606-5945	Jody Reavis 176 Pennington Rd. North Wilksboro, NC 28659 336-838-4452
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**Piedmont**

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**Coastal**

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***Outgoing Officers & Board Members***

Vice President- Jake Rouse  
Coastal- Daniel Wilson  
Piedmont- Ryan Garrison  
Mountains- Dylan Wilkie

***Thank you for your hard work and dedication!***

## ***Mark Your Calendars for Next Year!!!***

### ***North Carolina Taxidermist's 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention and Competition***

***July 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, & 30<sup>th</sup> 2022***

**6205 Ramada Drive  
Clemmons, NC 27012  
336-766-9121**

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## ***Are you a NC Certified Taxidermist?***

Did you know there is a North Carolina Taxidermist Association (N.C.T.A) Certification Program? Here's how to become a NC Certified Taxidermist....

- Must be a NCTA Member in good standing & meet one of the three following qualifications in Professional Division
  - One 1<sup>st</sup> Place Blue Ribbon & Best of Category
  - One 1<sup>st</sup> Place Blue Ribbon Plus 5 other points
  - Two 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Red Ribbons Plus 5 other points

Points System:

1<sup>st</sup> Place = 4 points

2<sup>nd</sup> Place = 3 points

3<sup>rd</sup> Place = 2 points

**NC Certified Taxidermist Dues are due for 2022      Dues are \$25**

***Please make checks payable to:***

***NC Certified Taxidermist***

***Mail to:***

***D. Price***

***5228 New Oak St.***

***Youngsville, NC 27596***

## **Changes Approved at the 2021 Meeting**

1. Increase to Membership fees by \$10 each
2. SOP approved (see SOP on page )

### **Raffle ticket for a chance to win \$100!**

Spare form laying in the corner? Duck mounting kit you never got around to using? Bring it to the show! Anyone donating a live-auction item at the 2022 show will receive a raffle ticket for a chance to win \$100!

## *Judges from the 39th NCTA Annual Summer Show*

**The NCTA would like to Thank our wonderful JUDGES that did such an amazing job judging our show this year!!!**

### *Professional & Masters Judges were....*

- Jack Emery- Whitetails
- Ken Howard- Game Head/Life Size
- Brian Banbury- Birds
- Frank Kotula- Fish/Reptiles
- Tommy Hall- Original Art

### *Commercial, Amateur & Youth Judges were....*

- Steve Tugwell- Whitetails
- Kendall Wilson- Game Head/Life Size
- Donna Naughton- Birds
- John Cranford- F/R
- Tommy Hall- Original Art

## *Awards Winners from the 39<sup>th</sup> NCTA Annual Summer Show...*

### **JUDGES CHOICE BEST OF SHOW**

Breakthrough Award- Russell Coble  
 Professional Division- Kale Hartman  
 Amateur Division- Rocky Dix  
 Wasco Award- Jake Rouse  
 Artisan Award- Paul Miller  
 Van Dyke's Award- Martin Bess  
 Chris Barnhardt Award- Martin Bess  
 McKenzie Distinguished Award- James Burley

### **PEOPLE'S CHOICE BEST OF SHOW**

Master's Division- Russell Coble  
 Professional Division- Dylan Wilkie  
 Amateur Division- Paul Cheek

### **PEOPLE'S CHOICE**

Best Reptile - David Beamon  
 Best Gamehead - Jake Rouse

### **MCKENZIE TAXIDERMIST'S CHOICE**

Best Whitetail- Brandon Brown  
 Best Fish- David Strickland  
 Best Bird- Russell Coble  
 Best Lifesize- Paul Miller

### **HEAD QUARTERS MOUNT-OFF**

### **COMPETITION WINNERS**

1ST Place- Aaron Hill

### **PROFESSIONAL BEST OF CATEGORY**

Whitetail- Everette Alderman  
 Gamehead- Mark Leonard  
 Fish: Reproduction- Phillip Strickland  
 Fish: Skin- Aron Cruse  
 Lifesize- Paul Miller  
 Waterfowl- Kale Hartman  
 Reptile- David Beamon  
 Original Art & Other- Ryan Warden

### **Master's Division State Champion**

Lifesize- Brandon Brown  
 Bird (Non Waterfowl)- Russell Coble  
 Original Art & Other- Darlene Tarlton

### **MISCELLANEOUS AWARDS**

Pro 1 Award- Paul Miller  
 Collective Artist 1st Place- Paul Miller, Brian Pyro, Joan Bjork  
 Polytranspar Award- Aron Cruse  
 Taxidermy Today Woody Award- Aron Cruse  
 President's Challenge Award: Grey Fox- Joan Bjork  
 NCTA Habitat Award- Phil Blackman  
 Mounted in Alaska Award- Cody Childers  
 Most Creative Amateur Award- Manuel Reiner  
 Best Up and Coming Amateur Award- Paul Cheek  
 Children's Challenge 1st Place- Rowdy Tarlton  
 Most Promising Youth Award- Landyn Beamon  
 Walnut Hollow- Best Whitetail- Everette Alderman  
 Walnut Hollow- Best Fish- Aron Cruse  
 Walnut Hollow- Best Bird- James Burley  
 Walnut Hollow- Best Turkey- Russell Coble  
 Walnut Hollow- Best Mammal- Brandon Brown

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## ***Information on Upcoming 2023 Surry Show***

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Hello NCTA,

The Surry Mini Course is coming along good. I have been in contact with NCTA, VTA, SCTA, WVTa, and GTA. I am also going to post it on TaxidermyNet.com. I received good responses for information and assistance and was told many times "Whatever I can do to help. Let me know." I have contacted 11 vendors and 7 have already said that they are in. We are planning on spring break in 2023. I feel like if we try it any sooner it will not be as big.

The plans as of now is to start on Thursday with some seminars in the evening and opening the vendor rooms and to start taking in pieces for the show. I am planning on giving 3 or 4 options for the seminars during each seminar slot. If you have any ideas of what you would like to see as a seminar let me know and if you are interested in putting on a seminar let me know also. We are working on the itinerary and the pricing for the show.

I had a couple send me the previous itinerary of 2012 and 2013 and there were some amazing things offered. I am also going to need a team to help me pull this off. Any and all help will be greatly appreciated.

I am going to create a Surry County Mini Course Facebook page and as soon as I get it up and running I will let everyone know.

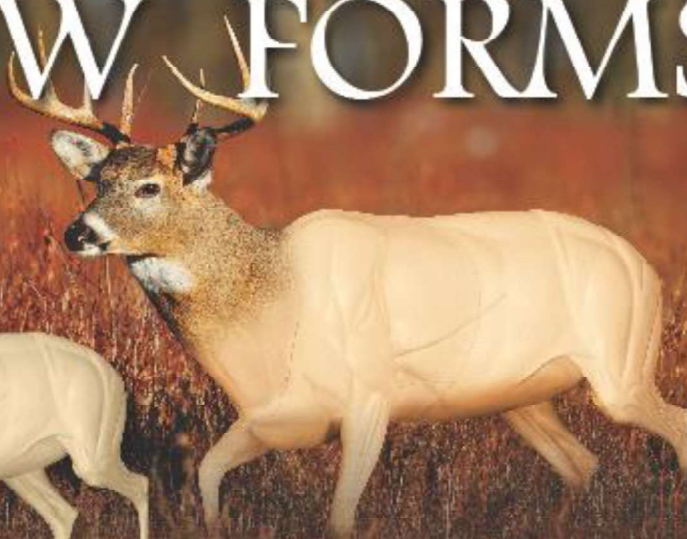
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# NEW FORMS



**NEW!** Whitetail Deer  
WTLS-468L



**NEW!** Axis Deer  
AX-SH-6119R



**NEW!** Lynx  
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**NEW!** Mountain Lion  
MTL-1853L



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Category	Task	Due	Individual
Show Dates (book hotel)	Call hotel to select possible dates	Typically 1 year+	President
Newsletter	Fall Newsletter	October	Secretary
	Winter Newsletter	January	
	Spring Newsletter	April	
	Summer Newsletter	July	
Certified Taxidermist	Collecting \$ and handling certificates	Sept 1- Aug 31	D Price
Membership Certificate	Print certificates and distribute at show or mail		Secretary
Booking Judges			President
Children/Amateur	Whitetail-		
	Birds-		
	Fish-		
	GH/LS-		
	Reptiles-		
Professional/Master	Whitetail-		
	Birds-		
	Fish-		
	GH/LS-		
	Reptiles-		
Judge Bio	Write-up of each judge	May	Board member
Booking Seminar Instructors			President
Contacting Vendors			Board member
Auction Items	Cash and Credit Lines	Start in January	Vice President
Silent Auction Items			Board member
Officer/Board Nominees		31-May	
Website Director		Ongoing	D Price
Audit Committee	Review fiscal transactions and bank statements	November	Past-President Treasurer Coastal BOD Piedmont BOD Mountain BOD
Schedule			President
Association Lunch	Set up location- Park		President/Treasurer
Awards	Ordering Awards		President
Ribbons	Ordering Ribbons		President
Approve Fiscal Year Budget	Assign and approved budget lineitems: Jan 1 - Dec 31	31-Oct	Board
	Approve Standard Operating Procedure		
Memorial Candle			Ken Smith
Donation Letter	Collect money donations for NCTA 501c3	Ongoing	Vice President
<b>SHOW TIME</b>			
Category	Task	Due	Individual
Set-Up day	Trailer	Thursday prior to 10 am	Ricky Logan
			Board
	Set up backboards, tables, vendors	10 am Thursday	and volunteers
	Prepare registration desk	Thursday	Secretary and Treasurer
	Drinks for coolers		
Registration	Board meeting	Thursday	Board
	Registration Packets		Secretary Treasurer 3 Boardmembers
	Banquet Tickets	Thursday	
	Payment	Friday	
	Competition Tags		
Competition Room	Raffle		2 Boardmembers
	Taking in mounts	Thursday	
		Friday	
	Organizing mounts	Thursday	
	Monitoring room for public viewing	Friday	
	Tallying people's choice votes	Friday	
Meet and Greet/Speed Mount	Displaying ribbons	Friday	Sponsor (Head Quarters)
Association Lunch	Pizza (Dominos) and Wings (hotel)	Thursday	Board
	Speed Mount Award (Belt Buckle)	Thursday	
	Mackenzie usually donates a lunch		
	Pickup food	Friday	
	Pack lunches for judges (if needed)		
Banquet	Utensils		Board
	Ticket sales	pre-registration registration table	
	Number of plates to give hotel	3-day notice Noon Friday latest	President
	Check in tickets		Secretary Board member
	Open Doors for award ceremony	After eating is done	
	Women/children items hand gifts out to women and children	Banquet	Board member
	Projector/Screen	After banquet	
	Microphone for Announcing Awards		Hotel
	Announce Awards		Board member
Breakdown	Hand out awards		President Vice President
	Breakdown backboards	Saturday after banquet	Volunteers
	Breakdown tables	Saturday after banquet	Hotel

## 2022 Standard Operating Procedure

- voted on by general membership at 2021 show



## North Carolina Taxidermist Association

### Application For 2022 Membership

The NCTA is a non-profit educational organization in the State of North Carolina to further contacts and better understanding among taxidermists and related industries, unite into one organization all interested taxidermists and taxidermy suppliers, disseminates information, aid the profession as a whole by lobbying for fair legislation on the State and Federal levels.

To join the NCTA please fill out the following membership application and return the form along with your check made payable to the *North Carolina Taxidermist Association* and mail to: **Hanspeter Giger, 107 Amrita Ct, Charlotte NC 28211**

**North Carolina Taxidermist Association Membership:** ☐ NEW ☐ RENEWAL

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☐ \$55 Single Membership ☐ \$75 Family Membership

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☐ COASTAL (area East of interstate 95)

☐ PIEDMONT (Area East of Hwy 52 to Interstate 95)

☐ Mountain (Area West of Hwy 52/Mt. Airy to Winston-Salem to Lexington to Salisbury to Albermarle to Wadesboro)

*A **BIG** Thank-you to all of our outgoing Officers & Board members!!! The people that have held these positions (past and present) have put in countless hours to make our association one of the best around!! However, this association can not run itself, so if you haven't served in a position in our association, we highly encourage you to be apart of helping our association to continue to be one of the best around!!*

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