



# The North Carolina Taxidermists Association Newsletter

Spring 2022

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## Letter from the President

*Hello NCTA!*

*Spring has Sprung and it's time to get those competitions pieces started for our 40<sup>th</sup> Annual NCTA Summer Show!*

*Your BOD is working diligently to plan and organize a great show so when you get a moment, be sure to thank them for their hard work.*

*Dates for the show are July 28-30, 2022, and the Village Inn Convention Center is open for room reservations. Please do not wait until the last minute to reserve your room. Pre-registration is open, and I encourage you to sign up if you are able. You can do so online at our website at [www.nctaxidermist.org](http://www.nctaxidermist.org) or you may complete the form located in the back of this newsletter.*

*Be sure to enjoy this beautiful North Carolina spring weather, buckle down getting those show pieces ready, and I look forward to seeing everyone soon!*

*God Bless,  
Sabra Cahoon  
NCTA President*

## 2022 Officers

### President

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Charlotte, NC 28211  
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## Membership Dues

***We need your membership Dues!!***

**2022 Memberships need to be paid ASAP!**

You can fill out membership form in back of this newsletter & mail with check to....

**HP Giger**  
**107 Amrita Ct.**  
**Charlotte, NC 28211**

You can also pay online!! It's fast and easy!!  
Go to.... [www.nctaxidermist.org](http://www.nctaxidermist.org) and click  
**Membership**

## 2022 Board Members

### Mountain

Brandon Brown  
946 HS Dalton Rd.  
Hendersonville, NC 28739  
828-989-2156

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North Wilksboro, NC 28659  
336-838-4452

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Trinity, NC 27370  
336-410-1588

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910-546-7021

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Deep Run, NC 28525  
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***Nominations and Bios for new officers and board members are needed for 2022 Elections by May 31<sup>st</sup>.***

***Positions rotating open for 2022:***

- ***President***
- ***Secretary***
- ***One BOD seat from each region***

**Please consider volunteering or agreeing to a nomination to run for a seat on our NCTA Board. This association can only operate when volunteers step forward to fill a position that's been rotated open.**

**Please email nominations and/or bios to**  
***sabra.cahoon@nc.nacdnet.net***



# North Carolina Taxidermists 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 Taxidermists Association* and mail to: **Hanspeter Giger, 107 Amrita Ct., Charlotte, NC 28211**

North Carolina Taxidermists Association Membership:  NEW  RENEWAL

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

\$55 Single Membership  \$75 Family Membership

**Please Check Appropriate Box that applies to your section of the state**

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)

**NORTH CAROLINA TAXIDERMISTS ASSOCIATION**

**Treasury Report**

**Fiscal Year 2021**

	<u>Subtotals</u>		<u>Bank Balance</u>
<b>REVENUE</b>		Begin Balance	<b>\$19,269,312</b>
Membership & Show	12,115.91		
Live Auction	4,440.00		
Revenue- Other	1.99		
Total Revenue	<u>17,095.90</u>		
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Postage	-		
Village Inn	7,893.17		
Awards	2,467.65		
Judges	3,154.00		
Show Expenses	2,426.35		
Office Supplies	50.14		
Bank Charge	44.00		
Tax Filing	87.5		
Website	79.99		
Expenses- Other	181.98		
	<u>(16384.78)</u>		
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<u>711.12</u>	Current Balance	<u><b>\$19,980.24</b></u>

**\*\*\*Keep in mind this is a draft so some scheduling edits may occur between now and the Summer Newsletter\*\*\***

## North Carolina Taxidermist Association 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Show Convention & Competition Schedule

### THURSDAY, July 28<sup>th</sup>

10:00AM – 1:00PM Set up Competition, Supply and Registration Areas

1:00PM – 3:00PM Board Meeting

3:00PM – 6:00PM Registration Open- Competition Entries Received – Supply Room Open

5:30PM – 7:30PM **SEMINAR #1 Panel- Steve Rolan- Habitat and Design Composition for Dynamic Flow and Presentation (part 1)**

**SEMINAR #2: Eric Trukovich –Round Table Discussion on Whitetail Deer Taxidermy**

7:45PM – Until HQ Taxidermy Supply Meet & Greet in Supply Room (Pizza & Wings)

8:30PM – 11:30PM Speed Mount Competition

### FRIDAY, July 29<sup>th</sup>

8:00AM – 11:00AM Registration Open – Competition Entries Received

8:00AM – 12:00PM **SEMINAR #3: Harold McGuire – Turkey Mount**

9:00AM – 11:00AM Supply Room Open

11:00AM-11:30AM Speed Mount Competition last adjustments

11:30AM – 2:30PM Tanglewood Cookout Sponsored by McKenzie – eat at noon

2:00PM-3:00PM Cornhole Tournament

3:00PM – 5:00PM **SEMINAR #4: Steve Rolan – Altering Lifesize Form for Habitat Design (part 2)**

**SEMINAR #5: NC Wildlife Resource Commission- Understanding CWD Hands-on Sample Extraction**

4:00PM – 6:00PM Registration Open – Competition Entries Received – Supply Room Open

(No Mounts Received After 6:00PM Friday)

6:30PM – 7:30PM Competition Room Viewing & People's Choice Voting

8:00PM – 10:00PM Kids Pizza Movie Night (Bring sleeping bag/blanket & pillow to watch movie)

8:00PM – Until Auction & Door Prizes

### SATURDAY, July 30<sup>th</sup>

8:00AM – 10:00AM **SEMINAR #6: Brian Claar – Molding a Trout Head Using Bondo Method**

Supply Room Open

10:00AM – 12:00PM General Membership Meeting – Vote for Officers & Board Members- PLEASE ATTEND

12:00PM – 3:30PM Competition Room Open – Ribbons in Place – Critiques with Judges

3:00PM – 5:00PM **SEMINAR #7: Jake Rouse—Whitetail Deer Mount**

3:00PM – 4:00PM **SEMINAR: Children's Seminar ages 1-6 – TBA**

4:00PM – 5:00PM **SEMINAR: Children's Seminar ages 7+ – TBA**

6:30PM – 9:00PM Banquet – Awards Presentation – Silent Auction

*\*\*If you have not Purchased a Banquet Ticket you will not be allowed in the banquet room until the Awards Ceremony begins.*

9:00PM – 10:00PM Pick up Mounts (No mounts removed until After the Banquet) – Breakdown competition room (help needed)

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

Did you know there is a North Carolina Taxidermists 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***

The website will be updated ONCE a year on September 1<sup>st</sup>; this way it will be updated and current for the upcoming hunting seasons.

You must be in good standing with the association (current dues paid) and have your certified dues paid before then if you would like to have your info included on the CERTIFIED page for the year running September 1 - August 30.

## **Award of Excellence**

If you have accumulated your 21 points and earned a Best in Category in the Professional division in NC you are eligible to receive your Award of Excellence. If interested, please contact Sabra Cahoon by **June 1<sup>st</sup>** to receive your award at the show!

### **2022 COMPETITION MASTER AND PROFESSIONAL JUDGE LINEUP**

#### **Whitetail Deer:**

Eric Trukovich of OH

#### **Life size and Game Head:**

Steve Rolan of NC

#### **Skin Mount and Replica Fish and Reptiles:**

Brian Claar of MA

#### **Birds:**

Harold McGuire of VA

#### **Original Art:**

Page Nethercutt of NC

### **2022 COMPETITION AMATEUR AND YOUTH JUDGE LINEUP**

#### **Whitetail Deer:**

Brandon Brown

#### **Life size and Game Head:**

Paul Miller

#### **Skin Mount and Replica Fish and Reptiles:**

David Beamon

#### **Birds:**

James Burley

#### **Original Art:**

Page Nethercutt

## North Carolina Taxidermists 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention and Competition

July 28-30, 2022

6205 Ramada Drive  
Clemmons, NC 27012

336-766-9121

<http://www.thevilageinn.com/>

This is going to be a great show that you won't want to miss!!  
Hotel rooms book up fast so be sure to call and make your reservations now!  
NCTA special rate is **\$86.00 (plus tax)/night** for your room.

### McKenzie Award Nominees

If you have someone in mind who you would like to nominate for the 2022 McKenzie Award please reach out to **Sabra Cahoon by May 1<sup>st</sup>**.

This award is presented to any member in good standing with their state association; who has promoted professionalism in his/her business; advance the art of taxidermy; depict taxidermy and hunting in a positive image; share knowledge of taxidermy techniques; improve the quality of his/her taxidermy work; and promote the goals of the state association.

### President's Challenge 2022

The 2022 NCTA President's Challenge is the Wood Duck! Both drake and hen will qualify for this award, so you Bird Guys and Gals bring your best woodies. And to my fin and fur-dominant members try your hands at playing with some feathers. YOUR mount may be the winner!

## **NCTA Speed Mount Competition**

*Sponsored by Head Quarters Taxidermy Supply*

### **WINNER WILL BE THE PROUD OWNER OF THE 2022 SPEED MOUNT BELT BUCKLE**

- Open to ALL NCTA members (membership must be paid prior to reserving a spot)
- \$25 entry fee
- You have 3 hours to mount a commercial-mount: Bird, Deer, Gamehead, Fish, or Reptile
  - You will have 30 minutes for adjustments the next morning before judging
- You must provide ALL materials (NCTA only provides space and time for the competition)
- Nothing preinstalled before competitions- Nose, Eyes, Ear-Butts, Jawset
- Forms **NEEDS** to be roughed up prior to competition
- Antlers/Horns can be pre-set prior to competition



### **Cornhole Tournament**

We're going to have a tournament! \$10 per team (2-man team) and you could win a custom-made set of NCTA Cornhole Boards.

### **Worst of Category Mount Contest**

Do you have a mount that you thought while sewing it together "*This ain't gonna blue.*"? Bring your worst, roughest, most obnoxious mounts you have done over the years to share laughs with the NCTA!  
More contest details will be announced in our Summer Newsletter.





# Competition Divisions

Competition Entry Fee: \$25 per entry

Collective Artist Division: \$50 per entry

- **Commercial Division**  
The mounts will be judged from a distance and the judge will be looking for a good, sound commercial work. There will be multiple first, second, and third place ribbons. Entry fee is the same as the other divisions. You may enter a mount in any category but after you receive two 1<sup>st</sup> place ribbons in an individual category you have to move on to the Professional Division. You will NOT receive a score sheet.
- **Youth Division**  
No entry fee with registered adult. This includes any youth 12 years old or younger.
- **Amateur Division**  
This division is for someone just starting to compete. You are competing against a score sheet, not against other competitors.  
90-100= 1<sup>st</sup> Place 80-89= 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 70-79= 3<sup>rd</sup> Place
- **Professional Division**  
This division is for someone who has experience but still wants to learn. You are competing against a score sheet, not against other competitors.  
90-100= 1<sup>st</sup> Place 80-89= 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 70-79= 3<sup>rd</sup> Place
- **Masters Division**  
You can enter the Masters Division of your own choosing, but if you have an Award of Excellence in any category or have taken a mount to a higher competition (NTA or World) and have won 1<sup>st</sup> Place, you have to enter Masters Division. If you have two mounts in the same category you must enter them into the same division (for example: two shoulder mount whitetail deer – you cannot enter one into Professional and one into Masters, you have to enter both into one or the other). State Champions will come from this division in each category if there is a mount score 90 or above. Masters division will be divided into all categories same as Professional and Amateur.  
90-100= 1<sup>st</sup> Place 80-89= 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 70-79= 3<sup>rd</sup> Place
- **Collective Artist Division**  
This division has been setup for those taxidermists who want to combine their skills on a certain mount. All taxidermists, Amateur through Masters may compete on a certain piece or pieces. Pieces will be judged for artistic composition by the judges. Scores will be combined by the number of animals and then divided by that number to determine final score. Three ribbon elimination, no multiple ribbons. Scores do not count for points toward your Award of Excellence.

## **Auction Items are needed for the Show!!!**

We already have a few things for the live and silent auctions, but we need lots more to make this show a great success. Please contact **David Beamon** about live auction donations and **Jessica Bailey** about silent auction donations.

## **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!

## **Surry Mini Course**

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 Taxidermy.net. 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.

Doug Shores

SCCC Taxidermy Instructor

[onehuntin41@gmail.com](mailto:onehuntin41@gmail.com)

336-601-0465

# NEW FORMS

## BBLS-2578L

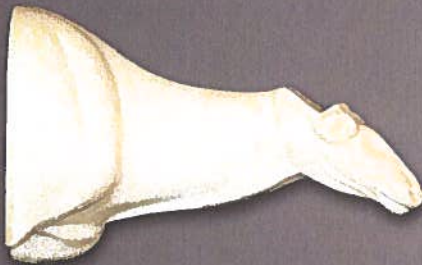
by Aaron Connelly, Black Bear  
Walking Uphill, Left Turn  
(6 $\frac{3}{8}$ "x17 $\frac{1}{2}$ "x34 $\frac{1}{2}$ "x54"x66 $\frac{1}{2}$ "x77 $\frac{1}{2}$ " )

## BBLS-2469L

by Aaron Connelly, Black Bear  
Walking Uphill, Left Turn  
(6"x14 $\frac{3}{4}$ "x28 $\frac{1}{2}$ "x54"x64"x 69")  
\*Same pose as BBLS-2578L



BBLS-2578L  
Pictured



## MDFS-7018R

by Aaron Connelly, Mule Deer  
Full Sneak, Shoulder Form,  
Right Turn (Left turn also available)  
(7"x18"x19 $\frac{1}{2}$ " )



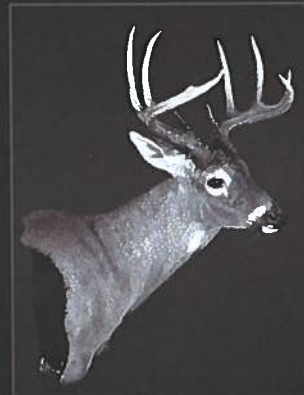
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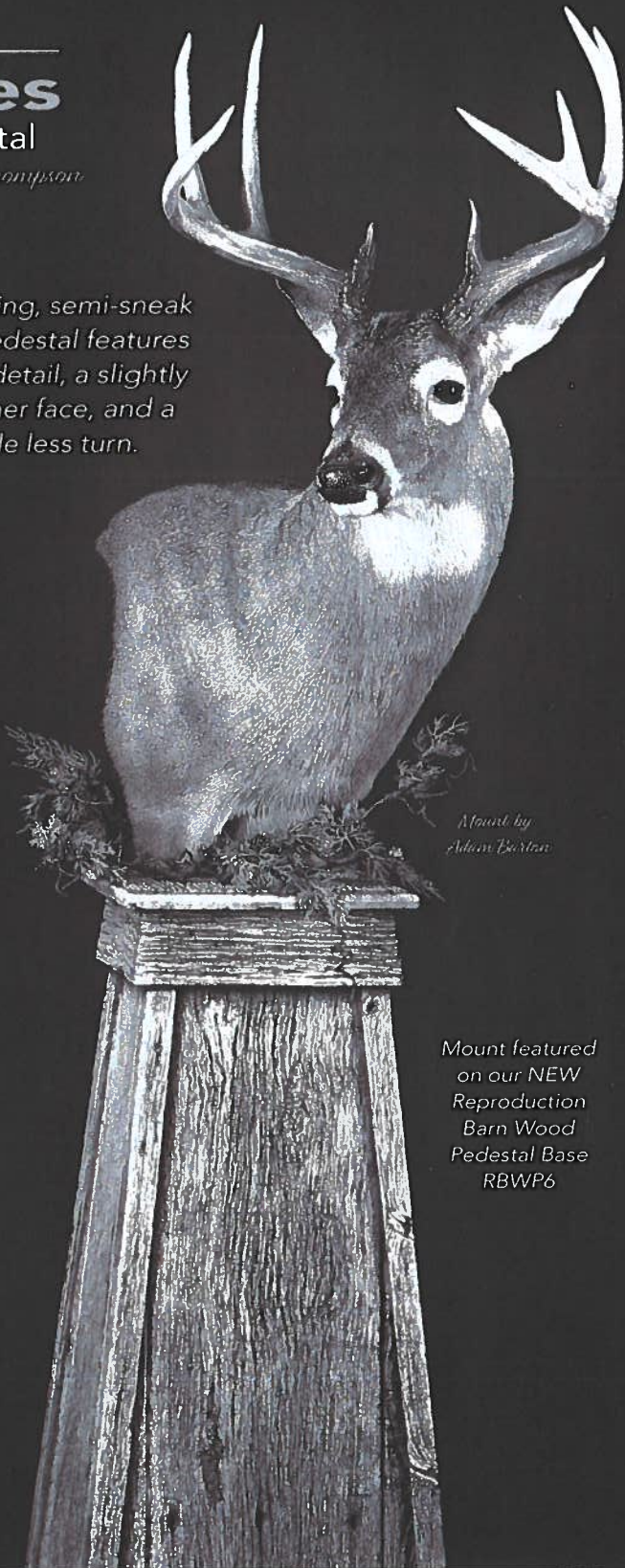
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## NC Taxidermists Association

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BECAUSE WE HELP EACH OTHER!

**NCTA  
Convention &  
Competition  
PRE-Registration**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday Cookout July 29<sup>th</sup>** (Sponsored by McKenzie Taxidermy Supply) \_\_\_\_\_ # Adults \_\_\_\_\_ # Children

**Friday Kids Movie & Pizza Night** (Sponsored by the NCTA) \_\_\_\_\_ # Children

**Saturday Children's Seminar July 30<sup>th</sup>** \_\_\_\_\_ # Children

CONVENTION REGISTRATION:

NCTA MEMBERSHIP DUES: \$55 SINGLE OR \$75 FAMILY	\$ _____
CIRCLE ONE: NEW MEMBERSHIP OR RENEWAL	
NCTA CONVENTION <u>PRE-REGISTRATION FEE</u> : \$45	
BANQUET- # OF ADULTS/CHILDREN _____ X \$25 PER TICKET =	\$ _____
<b>CONVENTION FEES TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

COMPETITION FEES: \$25EA, \$50 COLLECTIVE ARTIST

CATEGORY <i>Gamehead, WT Deer, Life size, Bird, Fish, Reptile, Original Art</i>	SPECIES	DIVISION <i>Masters, Professional, Amateur, Commercial, Youth</i>	TAG # (NCTA USE ONLY)	HABITAT TO BE JUDGED? YES OR NO	HABITAT TAG # (NCTA USE ONLY)	ENTRY FEE
						\$ _____
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ENTRY FEES TOTAL	\$ _____
ADD CONVENTION FEES TOTAL (FROM TOP OF PAGE)	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>



# NCTA

*"Advancing the Art  
since 1981"*



*"Home of  
World, National, and State Champions...  
Because we help each other"*



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