

## WWA DCCE Conference Call #4 minutes: 6:30-8:05pm

Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Present: Don Kirby, Joe Porten, Bruce Urben

The following notes were taken from last night's carving contest call. The majority of the call were dedicated to discussion and proposed changes on Mike's documents.

Overall the committee felt the documents were very well written and clearly identified rules and process in a easily understandable format. Thanks to Mike for all his work preparing these documents.

No comments were noted on appendix A-E. These documents can be considered final? The following discussion and proposed changes are focused on the "Wisconsin" document and the "competition entry form"

Mike, several questions arose and I will list them within the comments separately.

### 1. Wisconsin Waterfowl Asso. 2017 Decoy Competition document

-Enlarge the title and Center on the page

-under objectives section.....

Recommend to change the first sentence to..."WWA has the following objectives for this and future competitions."

- add the IWCA link after the paragraph following the objectives. This can be done when it is downloaded onto the website (Don or Kelcy?)

- near the end of that page where it discusses the IWCA divisions, add a sentence to clarify...."Novice being the entry level and open being the highest competitive level" so first time competitors are not confused!

-Under the section Sending/Shipping decoys to the competition.....

Under number one we wonder if the September 13 date gives us enough time to get decoys into the system considering we will be packing everything to bring to the competition on Sept. 14th. Recommend to change this date to September 12th! Mike' input requested.

Under number 5. The Committee has the ability to use credit cards so that can be changed to....Payment can be made by check or money order made payable to Wisconsin Waterfowl Asso.(WWA) or credit card, please do not send cash.

-Propose to add a number 9....."Ship decoys to Joe Porten, 1966 County Rd. O, SturgeonBay, Wi. 54235" .....this could be bolded!

-There was a lot of discussion under "Hand Delivered decoys".....the committee was concerned about when the judging would begin and how long it would take place. And, That a large number of walk ins might delay judging. Propose to change hand carried decoys to be accepted the day of judging up to 10:30 am (rather than 11:00 to give more time to get all of them logged in).

-propose also to change the next sentence to ....be available Friday from 1-4pm to check in decoys and take payment. We are planning to set up Friday am!

-last sentence to add...check or money order made to WWA or credit card.  
That should be all the comments for this document!

## 2. Competition Entry Form comments

-layout looks good. Propose changes to add "decoys to be sent to:"

Joe Porten

1966 County Rd. O

SturgeonBay, Wi. 54235

Also add.....Hand carried decoys may be delivered on Friday from 1-4 pm and Saturday from 9-10:30am at the competition site at UW Stevens Point. Check or money order made to WWA or credit cards will be accepted.

-considering that we will be adding credit cards Don volunteered to amend this document to include the information we need for credit card processing on the form. Don will finalize this form and route back for review!

## 3. Comments on Mike's proposed cash awards....

-the committee approved Mike's proposal for cash awards as well as the incentive proposed. This information should be added to the first document (Wisconsin document) under title of "Ribbons and Cash Awards", near the end of the document!?

-There was discussion about Mike's offer to fund the cash awards that we do not get sponsors for. The Committee intends to seek sponsorship and truly appreciates Mike's commitment to the event to personally fund the awards should sponsorship fall short. This completes the document review comments.....well done by Mike Pierce!

-The committee reviewed Don's budget planning tool and time and action plan. Recommended to add the cash awards and the estimate on ribbons/rosettes to the budget. The Committee set February 28th to have all documents reviewed and completed so the website can be uploaded the first week in March. This meets with the timeline for the advertisement in Wildfowl Carving magazine.

-Joe reported that he is planning to attend the Ohio Decoy show to gather information from show officials about logging in their decoys and organizing them. Joe is also looking at attending the Maryland show as well. Joe proposed that the Committee

develop a flyer that could be made available at the Ohio show for those going thru admission to advertise the Wisconsin Show. Would like Mike's opinion here?

The next call will be held on Tuesday, February 21st from 6:30-8 pm.