

**DCCE conference call: Tuesday 5/8/18**

**7:00-8:05 pm**

Attendees: Eric Urben, Don Kirby, Mike Pierce, Bruce Urben, Rob Monette

Don's update: Don met with Cabelas and confirmed the venue for both DCCE and calling contest August 10-12. Because of changes at Cabelas there is no budget to support DCCE with additional cash to offset vendor or admissions.

Cabelas will supply the tables for display in their museum area. Exhibitors are ok but no vendors to sell goods. WWA can sell their wares (shirts, Calendars, raffles, etc.) as a nonprofit. We can have a donation at registration (perhaps with a button this year?).

Cabelas can close off the display area after hours. Action items yet to resolve: Water tank (Cabelas investigating this) and updating the website.

Bruce Update: Confirmed 5 judges, Tom Lutes, Pat Gregory, Jacob Straub, Bob Swann, Taylor Finger. Contacted Minnesota Decoy Carvers Asso. To see if they can exhibit again. Mr. McFadden will bring to his club and get back within a week or two. Club members will be submitting decoys for the Competition!

Contacted Rob Rosenberger several times as IWCA carver to demo. Rob has changed jobs and is traveling more. No confirmation to date.

Steve Stratton (Appleton) has volunteered to help staff on Saturday and Sunday (he has submitted decoys in 2017). Don has contact info to schedule him.

All ribbons have been received from Hodges ribbon company as ordered.

Bruce volunteered to accept mailed in decoys, Don will meet with Kelcy to change the website to remove Joe Porten from the recipient list.

Reported Joe has resigned from WWA for personal reasons, hopes to be back if conditions change.

Have not ordered zip ties yet for the decoys, will wait for several weeks till registration logging system is resolved.

Eric updates: Eric plans to meet with Diane in the next 2 weeks ( before next meeting) to update the registration logging system. Once that is confirmed we can order zip ties to accommodate the numbering system.

Mike's update: Mike reported that he has not been able to confirm a Ohio show judge to date. Could be an issue because of conflicts? Mike has an alternate he is working on for the 6th Judge. Mike also indicated that he will be an alternate judge if we are unable to secure one.

Mike also offered to be the IWCA demonstrator if Mr. Rosenberger is unable, with the same arrangements to donate any IWCA proceeds to WWA. The Committee was quick to accept Mike's proposal.

Rob: no update tonight – will work with Don, early next week, after the shoot, to update Championship portion of the website...

Don sent a link to the committee for the video taken by Outdoor Wisconsin at last year's DCCE. The piece on the Carving Contest was very well done. Will incorporate the video link to advertise this year's show and connect to our website.

Next meeting will be a call on **Tuesday, May 29 at 7 pm**. Agenda to be developed.

Submitted by Bruce Urben 5/9/18.