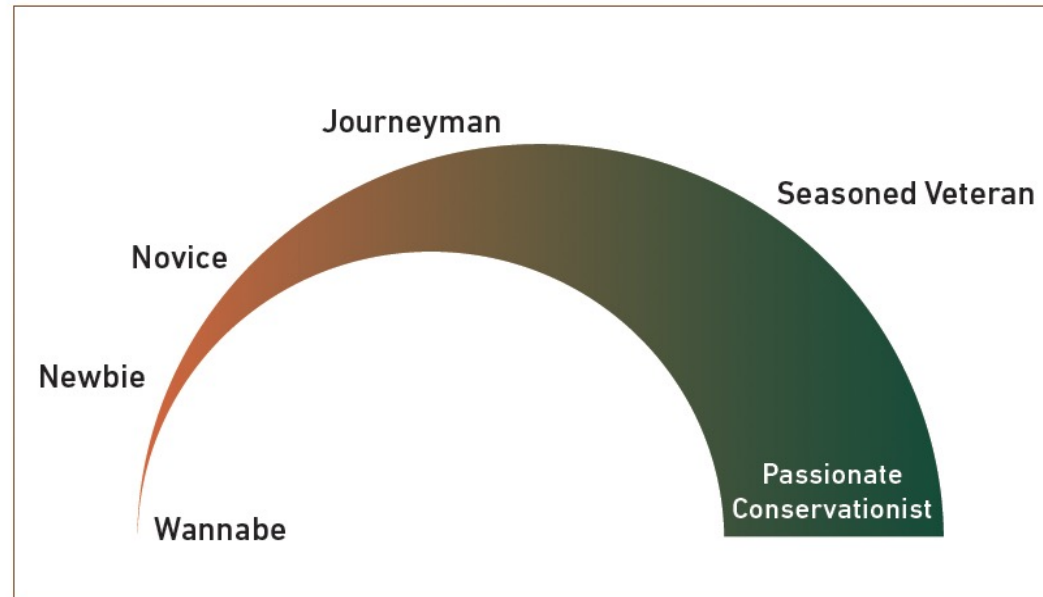


From Harvester to Land Steward

Aldo Leopold, the hunter, lived and evocatively described a life that progressed from game harvester to land steward. Adopting this model, WWA's education program helped over 25 new and novice hunters experience waterfowl hunting through a learn-to-hunt program, created content for our newsletters, and encouraged ethical hunt philosophies throughout 2022. The Waterfowl Hunters EXPO attracted nearly 4,000 guests to the one-day event, of "everything waterfowl."



The Waterfowler's Arc



WWA Forward:

In 2022, WWA received a grant to expand representation in the waterfowling community. With this, we will launch the "Waterfowlers Academy" to encourage progression along the waterfowler's arc.

Education

"... educate state waterfowlers during their progression from natural resource consumer to steward."

2023: *Education*



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**Are you a teacher?
A student?
The WWA wants to send you back to
school with Wood Ducks!**



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2024 Education Committee Objectives

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- Grow Waterfowlers Academy
- WWA Newsletter
- UWSP Parasite Research
- Avian Influenza Testing

