



# LOUISIANA WILDFOWL CARVERS AND COLLECTORS GUILD

## NEWSLETTER



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## Show & Tell



Pictured above is Dean Savoie holding a Malard Drake Decoy from his collection. It was carved by Lafrance .

Below: Dick Bonner holds a Hooded Merganser he carved and painted with oils.



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## Welcome Back

### LWCCG Officers , Board & Members

Hope this message finds everyone well and ready to return to our monthly meetings starting this Wednesday June 30. 2021. Board meeting will start at 6:00 p.m.; General meeting 7:00 p. m. We will meet in the large room in the back of Piccadilly Cafeteria located at Clearview Pkwy. Metairie , Louisiana. Hope to see everyone there. Reminder: Dues are now due for 2021 Application attached on page 3.



Right: John Lagattuta shows a nice piece carved out of one piece of wood. He picked it up around Eastern , Maryland at an Antique Mall. He does not know who carved it.

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## LWCCG BOARD MEETING MINUTES Wednesday April 28—May 26, 2021

Due to the Covid Virus and limitations at Piccadilly restaurant our first 2 meetings only allowed a limited amount of people. Therefore meetings were held for the Board Members only. The following are the minutes from those 2 meetings.

### Wednesday April 28 Meeting Minutes:

Board meeting starter at 6:00 p.m. Gene asked if anyone had any information on illnesses among our members. The following was mentioned. Mr. Gerard Ruth is having a port put in tomorrow to receive medication. Eddie Hahn had the Covid and Mrs. Jean Frank had surgery but is doing well. Please keep them all in your prayers.

Gene asked if we wanted to have a show. Richard said "Who doesn't want to have a show. All thought we should. Dickey said we have most of the prize money in already from last year and only have a couple to collect. The show has never paid for itself. He gave a financial report and said the Club is financially sound..

Chris Weaver made a few suggestions to advertise this years show: Contact Don Dubuc, Chanel 8 TV Station and some of the sport fishing shows, Marsh & Bayou magazine, who can be hard to get hold of but call him if you have a problem. He knows someone. Louisiana Sportsman magazine which is free in many restaurants, groceries and where ever free magazines are available.

We have been advertising in Clipper Magazine every year with a coupon. We need to update and find out what is the area covered and the price.

Ed Hahn said if you can connect with the TV Stations sometime they may have 10 minute spots to fill in on the Stations in the evening which are free and once you get on they sometime call you back.

Mr. Gerard Ruth said he can talk to the four TV stations in Baton Rouge. If you can get a spotlight spot please call Gene.

Gene said that some members have more than they can handle and he is asking for anyone who can help. The Rules Book will be the same this year only corrections are the dates.

We are going to order the same shirts we had last time in a new color; steel gray. Some members requested we order more 3x sizes. Kathy said she will compare with the inventory on hand and adjust the order.

Mr. Gerard Ruth said he will donate some nice things for the show this year that we can use for the auction.

Cajun Heritage is planning on having a show. (June 12-13).

Blue Bonnet Festival—Baton Rouge

Gene said he got a call from Mr. Harvey Lewis who said he has a collection of about 175 decoys and suggested that someone go talk to the governor about creating a new museum (for duck carvings). Suggestions were made for Board members to go to New Orleans Museum or St. Bernard Museum to see if any of them or interested in displaying carving pieces.

Chris Weaver said to remind members about making some cut outs from scrap wood and putting them in a plastic bag with sand paper in a basket with a note "FREE CARVING KIT FOR KIDS" on their tables for Saturday and Sunday.

Being no further discussions or business the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m..

### Wednesday May 26 Meeting Minutes :

Board meeting starter at 6:00 p.m. Gene reminded us that membership dues are due and are now being collected for this year. He then asked if we wanted to have a show this year. Someone inquired about the Castine Center. Gene said we have it booked and Dickey said that 300 people was the last total he heard but they are constantly updating the restrictions and we should have plenty enough room. Also we still can cancel. All were in agreement that we plan our show.

Gene said we have a presentation scheduled from Chanel 8 tonight but they have not shown up yet. Alan Stein said that Don Dubuc (WWL TV) will come and film during our show. He will get in touch to help us out. Cal Kingsmill volunteered to take over the Chairmanship for the vendors. Registration must remind the vendors and competitors that they cannot leave before 4:00 p.m. on Sunday.

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Shows coming up are: Blue Bonnet -Baton Rouge and Cajun Heritage Festival (June 12-13). – Larose Civic Center—Larose , Louisiana Liv Auction, Cajun Food

Harvey Lewis asked for a table to sell his second book which is out “Contemporary Decoys have turned into Art”.

Mitch Pivach made a suggestion to not put dates on all ribbons; just on the ones for sponsors and large prizes. The reason is because we waste hundreds every year.

Gene mentioned the plaques . Mike said plenty people compete for those plaques and ribbons.

After much discussion a Motion was made and passed: Dates on Sponsored Categories, Purchase Awards and First Place Ribbons. Motion was also made and passed to put a \$2.00 door discount on LWCCG Post Cards.

Being no further business . Show & Tell was held and door prizes were given out. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

## Show & Tell



Cal Kingsmill holds left a picture he painted in oils of his hunting -fishing Bayou Pass. Right he shows a Duck scene he painted in oils using his imagination.



### LOUISIANA WILDFOWL CARVERS & COLLECTORS GUILD ,

#### Membership Registration Form

**Dues are paid annually in (January and good thru December)**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **(home)** \_\_\_\_\_ **(cell)** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Membership Dues: \$30.00 includes:**  
**2 passes to the Festival**  
**Reduced Entry Fee for competitors**  
**2 free Banquet passes**  
**Monthly newsletter**