

WARD FOUNDATION
1974 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP WILDFOWL CARVING COMPETITION
Salisbury, Maryland April 27-28, 1974

CHAIRMAN: Knute Bartrug
CO-CHAIRMAN: Fred Kreiser
JUDGES

PROFESSIONAL AND WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

DECORATIVE WILDFOWL

Randy Rowe	Carver, Artist	West Lawn, Pa.
Charles Vaughn	Biologist	Salisbury, Md.
John W. Taylor	Artist	Edgewater, Md.

DECORATIVE DECOYS

Bill Joeckel	Carver	Islip Terrace, L.I.
Tom Carlock	Carver	Fair Haven, N.J.
Bob Tolley	Artist	Indian Quarter, Md.
Vernon Stotts	Ornithologist	Queenstown, Md.
Wm. Redd Taylor	Artist	Newport News, Va.

AMATEUR AND NOVICE

DECORATIVE DECOYS

J. Byron Garton	Carver	Smith Falls, Ont.
Somers Headley	Collector	Wilmington, Del.
Lou Reineri	Carver, Artist	Chincoteague, Va.

DECORATIVE WILDFOWL

John Scheeler	Carver	Mays Landing, N.J.
Arthur LaMay	Artist	Alexandria, Va.
David Rhodes	Carver	Absecon, N.J.

LEM AND STEVE SHOOTIN' STOOL

FINAL JUDGING

Lem Ward	Artist, Carver	Crisfield, Md.
Steve Ward	Carver	Crisfield, Md.
Madison Mitchell	Carver	Havre de Grace, Md.
Paul Marshall	Hunter	Smith Island, Va.



**THE TROPHY WINNERS!
FINAL JUDGING
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS**

DECORATIVE LIFESIZE

BEST IN WORLD – \$2500 PURCHASE AWARD

William E. Koelpin	Wauwatosa, Wi.	White Fronted Goose with Green Wing Teal
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SECOND IN WORLD – \$300

John S. Scheeler	Mays Landing, N.J.	Artic Gyrfalcon and
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THIRD IN WORLD – \$200

Edward Koch	Phoenix, Ar.	Brown Pelican
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DECORATIVE DECOY PAIRS

BEST IN WORLD – \$1200 PURCHASE AWARD

Paul Burdette	Orton, Ont.	Red Heads
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SECOND IN WORLD – \$300

Bob Kerr	Smith Falls, Ont.	Canvasbacks
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THIRD IN WORLD – \$200

Jim Foote	Pte. Mouille, Mi.	Canvasbacks
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DIVISION A

Professional \$600

Amateur

Novice

DIVISION B

Professional \$140

Amateur

Novice

DIVISION C

Professional \$125

Amateur

Novice

SPECIAL CONTEST – LEM and STEVE SHOOTIN' STOOL

First in Show \$100

Second \$50

Third \$25

First Place

Second

Third

DECORATIVE DECOY

Larry Hayden

Pat Godin

Bruce Hartman

Farmington, Mi.

Brantford, Ont.

Fond du Lac, Wi.

DECORATIVE LIFESIZE

William Schultz

Herbert Doolittle

William Sugden

Milwaukee, Wis.

Darien, Ct.

Doylestown, Pa.

DECORATIVE MINIATURE

Jack Gilmore

Albert Groody

Robert Ravello

Catharpin, Va.

Garden City, N.Y.

Potomac, Md.

Scott Bennett

Larry Hayden

Bob Biddle

Berlin, Md.

Farmington, Mi.

Media, Pa.

HEAD WHITTLING CONTEST

J. Byron Garton

Bob Schaber

Cigar Daisey

Smith Falls, Ont.

Bricktown, N.J.

Piney Island, Va.



THE BLUE RIBBON WINNERS!

DIVISION A: DECORATIVE DECOY

Category 1	MARSH DUCKS	
A. Mallard	Pro	R. Kerr
	Am	R. Krohe
	Nov	B. Hartman
B. Black Duck	Pro	R. Kerr
	Am	R. McGuire
	Nov	G. Best
C. Pintail	Pro	W. Schultz
	Am	D. Allen
	Nov	J. James
D. G.W. Teal	Pro	J. Foote
	Am	J. Mense
	Nov	B. Hartman
E. B.W. Teal	Pro	J.B. Garton
	Am	I. Pitzen
	Nov	W. Koelpin Jr.
F. Shoveler	Pro	W. Schultz
	Am	G. Garton
G. Widgeon Gadwall	Pro	L. Hayden
	Am	J. Mense
H. Wood Duck	Pro	L. Hayden
	Am	I. Pitzen
	Nov	G. Peyton
I. All others	Pro	W. Koelpin
	Am	R. Sutton

Category 2	DIVING DUCKS	
A. Bufflehead	Pro	K. Scheeler
	Am	J. Trubuchi
	Nov	G. Trout
B. Canvasback	Pro	G. Knapp
	Am	I. Loftin
	Nov	A. Barnet
C. Old Squaw Fider, Scoter	Pro	J. Wooster
	Am	J. Chobida
	Nov	J. Mulligan
D. Goldeneye	Pro	L. Carnaght
	Am	P. Godwin
	Nov	G. Trout
E. Mergansers	Pro	P. Burdette
	Am	J. Holloway
	Nov	J. Mullican
F. Redhead	Pro	L. Hayden
	Am	R. Tull
	Nov	W. Barton
G. Ruddy Duck	Pro	R. Baird
	Am	G. Garton
	Nov	L. Kean
H. Scaup	Pro	R. Kerr
	Am	R. Tull
	Nov	D. Felster
I. Ring Neck	Pro	W. Schultz
	Am	D. Federico
	Nov	D. Winton

DIVISION A. DECORATIVE DECOY

Category 3	GEESE AND CONFIDENCE	
A. Bram	Pro	K. Gleason
	Am	J. Suchik
B. Canada	Pro	J. West
	Am	M. Arrow
C. All other geese	Pro	J. Wooster
	Am	R. Sutton
	Nov	B. Hartman
D. Coot	Pro	J. Wooster
	Am	R. Cherry
	Nov	J. Alexander
E. Grebes	Pro	J.B. Garton
	Am	J. Polite
	Nov	J. Mullican
F. All other confidence	Pro	D. Dreschel
	Am	W. Watson
	Nov	B. Hartman

SEMI FINALS: DIVISION A

Category 1	Pro	L. Hayden
Marsh Ducks	Am	G. Garton
	Nov	B. Hartman
Category 2	Pro	L. Hayden
Diving Ducks	Am	P. Godin
	Nov	J. Mullican
Category 3	Pro	Ken Gleason
Geese and Confidence	Am	M. Arrow
	Nov	B. Hartman

FIRST IN SHOW, Competition Grade Decorative Decoy
Redhead by Larry Hayden, Michigan and Charles E. Bounds
Ward Foundation Chairman



DIVISION B: DECORATIVE LIFESIZE WILDFOWL

Category 1	WATERFOWL	Pro	W. Koelpin
		Am	H. Doolittle
		Nov	J. Richardson
Category 2	SHORE BIRDS	Pro	W. Schultz
		Am	J. Sawyer
		Nov	R. Walters
Category 3	GAME BIRDS	Pro	R. Kerr
		Am	C. Renz
		Nov	R. Walters
Category 4	BIRDS OF PREY	Pro	J. Scheeler
		Am	C. Greene
		Nov	R. Walters
Category 5	SONG BIRDS	Pro	W. Schultz
		Am	R. Elliott
		Nov	W. Sugden

DIVISION C: DECORATIVE MINIATURE WILDFOWL

Category 1	WATERFOWL	Pro	D. Brown
		Am	I. Blackburn



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COMMITTEE: Jean Bartrug, Fred & Enid Kreiser, Charles Bounds, Ted & Greta Crockett, Harvey & Pat Derby, Vincent Schumacher, Bob & Mary Ann Dunn, Bernard Livingston, Ron Rue, Max Hughes, Marshall Moore, William Womack, David & Carol Parish, Robert Farlow.

DECORATIVE JUDGES - Professional

Randy Rowe
John W. Taylor
Charles Vaughn

DECOY JUDGES - Professional

William Joeckel
Thomas Carlock
W. Robert Tolley
Vernon Stotts
Wm. Redd Taylor

DECORATIVE JUDGES - Amateur & Novice

J.B. Garton
Sommers Hedley
Lou Renerie

DECOY JUDGES - Amateur & Novice

John Scheeler
Arthur LaMay
David Rhodes

LEM & STEVE SHOOTIN' STOOL

Preliminary Judges
Thomas Carlock
W. Robert Tolley
Sommers Hedley
Paul Marshall
Madison Mitchell

FINALS JUDGES

Lem Ward
Steve Ward
Paul Marshall
Madison Mitchell

SHOOTIN' STOOL WINNERS

1. Bennett Scott-Pintail
Berlin, Md.
2. Larry Hayden - Bluebill
Farmington, Mich.
3. Bob Biddle - Ruddy
Media, Penna.

HEAD WHITTLIN' JUDGES

Randy Rowe
John Scheeler
Lou Renerie

B.W. TEAL HEAD WHITTLIN' WINNERS

1. J.B. Garton, Ontario, Canada
2. Bob Schaber, Bricktown, N.J.
3. Cigar Daisey, Chincoteague, Va

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS - Decorative Lifesize - \$2500 Purchase Award

- "BEST IN WORLD" - William E. Koelpin, Wauwatosa, Wisc.-White Front Goose & G.W. Teals
- 2nd BEST - John S. Scheeler, Mays Landing, N.J.-Arctic Gyrfalcon & Old Squaw Drake
- 3rd BEST - Edward Koch, Phoenix, Arizona - Brown Pelican

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS - Decorative Decoy Pairs - \$1200 Purchase Award

- "BEST IN WORLD" - Paul Burdette, Ontario, Canada - Redhead Pair
- 2nd Best - Bob Kerr, Smith Falls, Canada - Canvasback Pair
- 3rd Best - Jim Foote, Pt. Moulee, Michigan- Canvasback Pair

FINAL JUDGING - COMPETITION GRADE DECORATIVE DECOY DIVISION A

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| Professional-1. Larry Hayden | 2. Larry Hayden | 3. Ken Gleason |
| Amateur -1. Pat Godin | 2. George Garton | 3. Martin Arrow |
| Novice -1. Bruce Hartman | 2. Bruce Hartman | 3. John Mullican |

FINAL JUDGING - DECORATIVE LIFESIZE WILDFOWL DIVISION B

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| Professional-1. William Schultz | 2. William Schultz | 3. William Koelpin |
| Amateur -1. Herbert Doolittle | 2. Charl Greene | 3. Bob Elliott |
| Novice -1. William Sugden | 2. Jay Richardson | 3. Robert Walters |

FINAL JUDGING - DECORATIVE MINIATURE WILDFOWL DIVISION C

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| Professional-1. Jack Gilmore | 2. Dan Brown | 3. C.C. Ailes |
| Amateur -1. Albert Groody | 2. Jack Strode | 3. Tom Blackburn |
| Novice -1. Robert Rivello | 2. Karl Beek | 3. Gary Yoder |

DIVISION A - COMPETITION GRADE DECORATIVE DECOYS

MARSH DUCK

SPECIE	CLASS	1	2	3	HONORABLE MENTION
A. MALLARD	Pro	Robt. Kerr	Robt. Kerr	Paul Burdette	Ralph Stutheit
	Am.	Rich Krohe	Robt. McGuire	Tom Pitzen	Josef Wooster
	Novice	B. Hartman	Chas. Frick	Ter. McNulty	Rich Diblee Randy Hobart John Mullican
B. BLACK DUCK	Pro	Robt. Kerr	J.B. Garton	John Scheeler	Dan Brown
	Am.	Robt. McGuire	Fred Muhs	J. Wierdsma	N. Williams
	Novice	Gene Best	Watson Pharo	Ken Knapp	G. Garton Chas. Frick
C. PINTAIL	Pro	Wm. Schultz	Robt. Kerr	Len Carnaghi	Jim Foote
	Am.	Don Allen	Rich Krohe	J. Sichick	Tom Loftin
	Novice	Jack James	Watson Pharo	Geo. Burt	
D. G.W. TEAL	Pro	Jim Foote	Roy Guge	Wm. Schultz	R. Kerr
	Am.	Jim Mense	R. O'Connor	Geo. Bryant	J. Franco
	Novice	B. Hartman	B. Hartman	Jack James	J.B. Garton Geo. Garton Terry Foxwell
E. B.W. TEAL	Pro	J.B. Garton	Josef Wooster	Dan Brown	J. Wooster
	Am.	Tom Pitzen	Tom Pitzen	Tom Pitzen	D. Brown
	Novice	Wm. Koelpin, Jr.	B. Hartman	B. Hartman	Tom Beardsley Tom Pitzen Carol Federico
F. SHOVELERS	Pro	Wm. Schultz	Bob Havel	Jim West	J. Scheeler
	Am.	Geo. Garton	Bud Bernier	John Sichik	H. Miller
	Novice	X	X	X	Micheal Hubbard X
G. WIDGEON, GADWALL	Pro	Larry Hayden	J.B. Garton	John Scheeler	J. Scheeler
	Am.	Jim Mense	Don Allen	Edward Koch	J. West
	Novice	X	X	X	J.B. Garton Wm. Suitor X
H. WOOD DUCK	Pro	Larry Hayden	Al Glassford	Josef Wooster	
	Am.	Tom Pitzen	Don Allen	Jay Polite	Don Allen
	Novice	Geo. Peyton	Wm. Bruce	Jack James	B. Hartman
I. ALL OTHERS	Pro	Wm. Koelpin	Wm. Schultz	Wm. Koelpin	Josef Wooster
	Am.	Bob Sutton	X	X	X
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DIVING DUCKS -					
A. BUFFELHEAD	Pro	Ken Scheeler	Al Glasford	Josef Wooster	Cigar Daisey
	Am.	John Trabuchi	Unknown	Bud Bernier	Norm Williams
	Novice	Gary Trout	Darlene Bernier	Geo. Peyton	John Mullican
CANVAS-BACK	Pro	Gerald Knapp	Bob Kerk	Wm. Schultz	Jim Foote
	Am.	Tom Loftin	Robt. Boole	Tom Loftin	Rich O'Connor
	Novice	Al Barnet	Robt. Veasey	B. Hartman	Chris Wilson

SPECIE	CLASS	1	2	3	HONORABLE MENTION
C. OLD SQUAW, EIDER SCOTER	Pro	Joe Wooster	Jules Iski	Paul Burdette	Ken Gleason
	Am.	John Choberda	Jay Polite	Robt. McGuire	J. West
	Novice	John Mullican	Terry Foxwell	Wm. Bruce	J.B. Garton Rich Dibblee X
D. GOLDENEYE	Pro	Len Carnaghi	Gerald Knapp	Jim West	Jim West
	Am.	Pat Godin	Wm. Veasey	Vern Berg	Jay Polite
	Novice	Gary Trout	B. Hartman	Chris Wilson	Jeff Peters
E. MERGANSER	Pro	Paul Burdette	John Scheeler	Jos. Wooster	J. Wooster
	Am.	Jack Holloway	Jack Holloway	Jack Holloway	J. West X
	Novice	John Mullican	B. Hartman	Walter Barton	X
F. REDHEAD	Pro	Larry Hayden	Wm. Schultz	Bob Havel	Chas. Wargo
	Am.	Randy Tull	Robt. McGuire	Wm. Veasey	Wm. Perry
	Novice	Walter Barton	Louis Kean	Louis Kean	David Yearsley
G. RUDDY DUCK	Pro	Ray Baird	Jos. Wooster	Tom Schumate	Malcom Clark
	Am.	Geo. Garton	Dave Federico	Jack Holloway	Tom Pitzen
	Novice	Louis Kean	B. Hartman	David Winton	X
H. SCAUP	Pro	Robt. Kerr	Robt. Kerr	Geo. Walker	Wm. Schultz
	Am.	Randy Tull	Bob McGuire	James Mense	X
	Novice	Doug Felster	Barry Griffith	Nick Giovinetti	X
I. RING NECK	Pro	Wm. Schultz	Wm. Schultz	Len Carnaghi	Herb Miller
	Am.	Dave Federico	Wm. Veasey	Wm. Veasey	X
	Novice	David Winton	Harold Veasey	Steve Miller	X
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DIVISION A - COMPETITION GRADE DECORATIVE DECOYS					
GEESE & CONFIDENCE -					
A. BRANT	Pro	Ken Gleason	Cigar Daisey	Herb Miller	George Walker
	Am.	John Sichik	Robt. Peterson	Jay Polite	Jack Franco
	Novice	X	X	X	X
B. CANADA	Pro	Jim West	Bob Biddle	Ned Mayne	X
	Am.	Martin Arrow	Rich O'Connor	Wm. Veasey	Wm. Suitor
	Novice	X	X	X	X
C. ALL OTHER GEESE	Pro	Josef Wooster	Ralph Stuitheit	X	X
	Am.	Bob Sutton	Don Allen	X	X
	Novice	Bruce Hartman	X	X	X
D. COOTS	Pro	Josef Wooster	Joe Revello	Geo. Walker	C. Waterfield
	Am.	Robt. Cherry	Jay Polite	John Sawyer	X
	Novice	J. Alexander	John Mullican	Wm. Bruce	X
E. GREBES	Pro	J.B. Garton	Wm. Koelpin	Frank Schmid	Ken Gleason
	Am.	Jay Polite	J. Holloway	Don Grover	Larry Tawes
	Novice	John Mullican	Wm. Bruce	Jeff Sedor	J. Wooster Geo. Garton X

SPECIE	CLASS	1	2	3	HONORABLE MENTION
F. ALL OTHERS	Pro Am. Novice	David Dreschel Walter Watson Bruce Hartman	Roger Barton Don Grover X	Jim West Wm. Veasey X	Bob Biddle Vernon Berg X
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SEMI-FINAL JUDGING - COMPETITION GRADE DECORATIVE DECOY - DIVISION A MARSH					
DUCKS	Pro Am. Novice	Larry Hayden Geo. Garton Bruce Hartman	Larry Hayden Tom Pitzen Bruce Hartman	Wm. Schultz Richard Krohe Wm. Koelpin, Jr.	
DIVING DUCKS	Pro Am. Novice	Larry Hayden Pat Godin John Mullican	Josef Wooster Jack Holloway Gary Trout	Ken Scheeler John Chobra Douglas Felster	
GEESE & CON-FIDENCE	Pro Am. Novice	Ken Gleason Martin Arrow Bruce Hartman	J.B. Garton Robt. Cherry Bruce Hartman	David Dreschel John Sichik John Mullican	
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SEMI-FINAL JUDGING - DECORATIVE LIFESIZE - DIVISION B WATERFOWL					
SHORE BIRDS	Pro	Wm. Schultz	Wm. Schultz	Wm. Koelpin	
GAME BIRDS	Am.	H. Doolittle	Charl Greene	Bob Elliott	
BIRDS OF PREY					
SONG BIRDS	Novice	Wm. Sugden	Jay Richardson	Robt. Walters	
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1.					
WATER-FOWL	Pro	Wm. Koelpin	Wm. Schultz	Ron Tepley	J. Scheeler C. Miller
	Am.	H. Doolittle	Jay Polite	John Sawyer	B. Suitor J. Sawyer Geo. Becker
	Novice	J. Richardson	R. Schieber	Frank Grant	J. Leach
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2.					
SHORE BIRDS	Pro	Wm. Schultz	Jack Franco	Wm. Koelpin	X
	Am.	John Sawyer	Albert Groody	John Sawyer	L. McLaughlin J. Sawyer
	Novice	Robt. Walters	James Ryan	Robt. Walters	X
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3.					
GAME BIRDS	Pro	Robt. Kerr	Robt. Kerr	Ron Tepley	X
	Am.	Chas. Renz	H. Baribeau	W.E. Boole	X
	Novice	Robt. Walters	J.A. Early	G.S. Patton	X
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4.					
BIRDS OF PREY	Pro	John Scheeler	Lynn Forehand	Ron Tepley	Tom Beardsley
	Am.	Charl Greene	Albert Groody	Jay Polite	X
	Novice	Robt. Walters	Robt. Walters	Tom Ahern	John Mullican
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5.					
SONG BIRDS	Pro	Wm. Schultz	Wm. Koelpin	Robt. Brophy	Paul Burdette
	Am.	Bob Elliott	David Ossar	Chas. Blizzard	Earl Butler
	Novice	Wm. Sugden	Robt. Walters	Carl Beek	R. Walters W. Sugden
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SPECIE	CLASS	HONORABLE MENTION			

DIVISION C - DECORATIVE MINIATURE WILDFOWL					
1. WATER- FOWL	Pro	Dan Brown	Gus Sjolholm	Bob Miller	Frank Schmid
	Am.	Tom Blackburn	John Sawyer	John Sawyer	Cliff Hollestelle
					C. Berry
Novice	Robt. Revello	Fred Cutts	Manfred Scheel	Brad Hawkins	G. Becker

2. SHORE BIRDS	Pro	Jack Gilmore	Ron Teoley	Jack Franco	X
	Am.	Albert Goody	Earl Butler	Ida Revello	X
	Novice	Gary Yoder	Louis Essington	L. Essington	X

3. GAME, PREY, SONG BIRDS	Pro	C.C. Ailes	Paul Burdette	Dan Brown	X
	Am.	Jack Strode	Albert Groody	Virginia Jones	X
	Novice	Karl Beek	Stuart Monroe	Wm. Sugden	Robt. Walters

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1974
Dear Wildfowl Carver:

As Chairman of the W.C.W.C.C., and this year as a novice carver, I, for the first time, sat on both sides of the fence. As a contestant it was a new experience, "sweating it out", as the judges went about their job. Many times I have watched the judges, who are selected for their personal merits as carvers, artists, and ornithologists in the wildlife field, from the Chairman's seat. As always, the Committee and I stand behind the judges 100% on their selections. As a novice carver, who didn't win, I'd like to state: "I was robbed!" Seriously, I was very honored to have carved one of the last decoys eliminated in the Shootin' Stool tank before the three winning birds were selected. I was in excellent company and really cherish the honorable ribbon. Just remember, you carvers have me to beat next year, so look out!

I'm sure everyone present agrees that the name of our contest means exactly what it says - "World Championship." This year there were 1116 entries from 96 novices, 81 amateurs, and 88 professional carvers; totaling 265 carvers in all, and all but 39 were present. Unbelievable, but great! In 1971 there were a total of 148 carvers with 608 entries. nearly doubling in number since then. At this rate we're going to need that addition to our Civic Center! It is with great satisfaction and much pride that the Ward Foundation sponsors this contest and our fall exhibition each year. We are happy to report that our Wildfowl Meusum located at the Salisbury State College should be opened by October 1974.

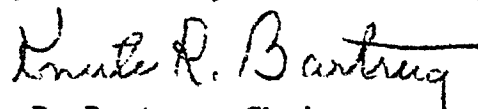
I want to thank my Committee and their workers for their dedication and help - another year of "jobs well done." A salute to all the contestants, and a special "well done" to all the winners. The judges had a most difficult task picking winners in each species, class and division. They informed me these were the toughest entries to judge they have ever seen. I know you all agree and join me in thanking them one and all.

I want to now recognize and give thanks to special friends of this "art form" and the Ward Foundation. Through the generosity of Doug Miller of Denver, Colo., the Ward Foundation now purchases the winning Decorative Lifesize entry for permanent display in our Museum. Doug is also granting us exhibition rights to a number of decorative carvings and paintings in the near future. The new "Decoy World" Magazine has our thanks for their donation and our wishes for much success. We also have anonymous patrons that I personally want to thank for their most appreciated support. And, last, but by no means least, my "rose-filled" thanks to those "living legends" - Lem & Steve Ward. We're looking forward to their judging the Shootin' Stool Contest again next year.

I realize no show is perfect (though we try harder)! So, I'd like to hear from you with criticisms or suggestions. Remember this is your contest, so send me your comments.

Don't miss our big Wildfowl Carving and Art Exhibit on October 18, 19th, and 20th, 1974, with exhibits by 100 famous carvers and artists. Mark down the next Carving Contest as April 26, 27th, 1975. Till then - keep the chips flying.

A very satisfied, but exhausted, Drake,



Knute R. Bartrug, Chairman
W.C.W.C.C. - 1974