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2024 HUNTING HERITAGE DECOY RIG COMPETITION

The Pacific Flyway Decoy Association (PFDA) is excited to announce the 7th annual **PFDA Hunting Heritage Decoy Rig** competition sponsored by **California Waterfowl Association (CWA)**. The hunting rig selected for 2024 will be three wigeon decoys, American or Eurasian.

When & Where:

This is a two phase competition that begins on **June 1, 2024 at the CWA Day in the Marsh held at CWA'S Grizzly Ranch, Suisun CA**. All rigs entered will be judged in an open water competition. Judges will narrow the entries down to the best five rigs.

Final judging of the best five rigs will be on **July 13, 2024 at the PFDA Classic in Sacramento CA**, where they will be ranked first place through fifth place.

PLEASE NOTE: All rigs that do not place in the top five will automatically have a pair (hen & drake) entered in the (200-230) Billy Pinches Traditional Hunting Decoy Competition on July 13, 2022 with no additional entry fee.

Awards:

1st Place is a \$1500.00 purchase award with the winning rig going to CWA.

2nd Place is \$600.00 3rd Place is \$400.00 4th Place is \$300.00 5th Place is \$200.00

How to enter:

Entry Fee for this competition is \$25.00

Hand carried entries accepted on June 1, 2024 at Grizzly Ranch from 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM at the PFDA booth. Judging will begin at 10:00 AM. Entries may be picked up at the PFDA Wildfowl Art Classic on July 14, 2022 at 4:00 PM.

Mailed entries must be received on or before May 30, 2024. Send to PFDA-Dorothy Wilcox 7113 Spicer Dr. Citrus Heights, CA 95621.

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2024 PFDA HUNTING HERITAGE DECOY RIG COMPETITION (CONTINUED)

Rules:

The decoy rig will be three wigeon decoys (American or Eurasian or both species). There must be at least one hen and one drake. No hybrids of these species.

The competition is open to all carvers.

PLEASE NOTE: A carver may enter only one decoy rig for this competition.

Decoys will be judged by the **new for 2024** (200-230) Billy Pinches Traditional Hunting Decoys rules: Decoys are handmade of wood, cork, or canvas. Carving & Painting shall be functional enough to be used as tools for hunting. No fragile wing tips, bills, or tails. No burning or stone texturing. Chip carving & rasping techniques are acceptable. Paint & finish with practical simplified patterns shall be preferred. No feather splits or hand vermiculation. Decoys with developed decorative painting must be entered in other categories. Entries are not required to self-right but must have an anchor attachment and float in a lifelike stable manner. Ballast weights, keels, and anchor attachments are part of the decoy & will be judged as such. Decoys will be judged for sound workmanship in carving and finish & for an unmistakable likeness to species. Judging will be in hand, while floating, and from approximately 15 feet while floating.

Entries contrary to the rules or exhibiting any deterioration of paint or structural integrity during or at the completion of the judging shall be disqualified.

Decoys will be rigged with anchor lines and weights by judges for the open water competition.

Decoys shall be numbered 1, 2, & 3 with paint or indelible ink. The number 1 decoy shall be a hen; the number 2 decoy shall be a drake. Decoys number 1 and number 2 shall make up the pair for the (200-230) Billy Pinches Traditional Hunting decoy competition.

Mailed entries:

Entries may be picked up at the PFDA Wildfowl Art Classic on July 14, 2024 at 4:00 PM or they require a prepaid printed return label. Entries shipped must include a completed registration form and hunting heritage rig entry fee of \$25.00. All entries shall be shipped by UPS or Federal Express. It is the carver's responsibility to insure their entries. No C.O.D.s will be accepted. We will attempt to contact carvers if entries arrive damaged. No repairs will be attempted. See pacificflyway.org for packing instructions.

More Information: Rick Banko (707) 601-4850 summerspaniel1@gmail.com or Aaron Freitas (541) 274-1950 claybreaker390@hotmail.com



2024 GRIZZLY RANCH DECOY COMPETITION REGISTRATION FORM

CWA HUNTING HERITAGE RIG - WIGEON (AMERICAN AND/OR EURASIAN)

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I certify that entries submitted herewith are handmade by me, and have not previously been entered in a PFDA show. PFDA and Grizzly Ranch are not responsible for loss or damage to entries due to conditions or events beyond their control. I agree that all entries will remain on display until the conclusion of this competition. If my entry is contrary to the rules, I agree to forfeit any award.

Signature

Date

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY / STATE / ZIP _____

PHONE (_____) _____

Will you pick up your entry at Grizzly Ranch? Yes / No (circle one)

IF YOU WANT YOUR MAILED-IN ENTRY TO BE TAKEN TO THE PFDA SHOW HELD IN JULY, YOU MUST INCLUDE A RETURN SHIPPING LABEL COMPLETE WITH RETURN POSTAGE AND A COMPLETED 2023 COMPETITION REGISTRATION FORM.

_____ UPS _____ FedEx
Pre-paid Return Label _____ \$ _____
Entry Fees _____ \$ _____
Membership _____ \$ _____

PFDA Member?

Yes _____

No _____