

Connecticut Woodcarvers Association January 2019

Happy New Year My fellow woodcarvers,

Fishing season is fast approaching, it is a good time to make a fishing lure for yourself or a friend, to hang on a wall or in a window.

~ Leo.... Mr. President



Currently Serving CWCA Officers **Potential 2019 Changes**

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CWCA Calendar

Meetings at Connecticut Forest & Park 16 Meriden Rd, Rockfall CT
Walking Stick Collection Please Contact Leo

- January 6th Club Meeting Project: Fishing Lures
- January 11-13 Woodworking Show at the Big E
- February 3rd Club Meeting
- March 3rd Club Meeting Project: carving horses
- April 7th Club Meeting
- May 5th Club Meeting Project: walking sticks

Note: Flanders has decided not to put on Fairy Fest this summer-it might become part of Farm Fest in the spring.

Reminder it is Time to Renew your annual membership:

Membership 2019 Yearly dues- Please see Mark Austin to get your 2019 membership!
\$15 for 2019 calendar year, and checks should be made to CWCA and the following mini form mailed to: CWCA Membership 258 Campville Road Northfield, CT 06778

Name _____ New Member? ☐ Yes

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

All newsletters will be emailed. No email? Check box for a mailed copy. ☐



The 50 sticks we made for CT DEEP will be delivered this week. The proceeds from the walking sticks go to cover the cost of our insurance.

“Walkin’ Sticks” We need to collect walking sticks for demonstrating at the Woodworking Show at the Big E. Harvesting sticks Fri. Jan 4th at 10 am at Leo’s .

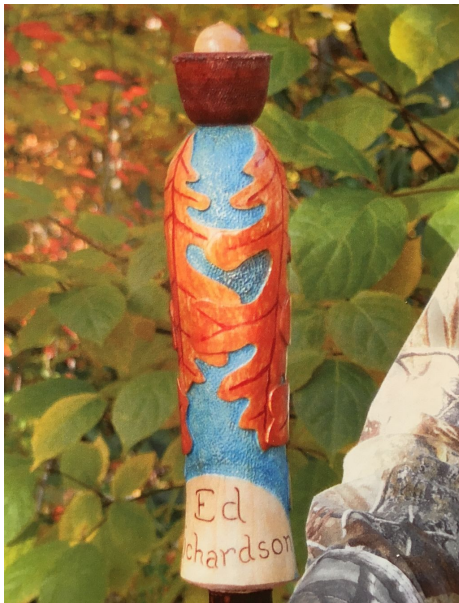
If you plan to attend the Woodworking Show- please be sure to sign up- so you can be placed on the free admissions list. There is a parking fee of \$5.00.
Show hours: Fri. Jan 11th 12pm- 6pm, Sat. Jan 12th 10am – 6pm, Sun. Jan 13th 10am – 3pm.



New England Woodworking Show at the Big E fairgrounds Agawam Ma



Paul Edwards displays a new carving!



A Walking Stick gift for Ed Richardson (who measured trees to find the largest tree in the State).



The Sessions Woods Tree- a potential club carving project.



The proposed date for our 21th CWCA Show is about 150 days away!

In our 2018 Show we only had 76 visitors to the show, we only had 25 competitors in total- 9 non-members, & 6 club officers that means only 10 other club members entered anything into the show.

At our December meeting, there was a unanimous vote to have a 2019 Woodcarving Show!

There was no support to have the Show at the New England Carousel Museum.

There have been a few suggestions as to a new location and possibly a different date...

Southington (during Apple Harvest Festival-crowds & difficult parking or another time)

Other locations mentioned are Community centers, Grange Halls, Community Colleges.

Some places will have an issue with wood chips. We are trying to incorporate many things into the decision process- Statewide accessibility for people travelling, parking, time of year- what other activities will we be competing with: Winter- weather, Spring- School Graduations,

Summer- vacations, Fall- Back to School & Harvest Fairs

What goals do we have for this year's show? What do we want to demonstrate?

How do we attract more contestants-this applies to EVERYONE in our club! EVERY MEMBER should be entering woodcarvings into the competition. It is our intention to show woodcarving as a process that everyone can enjoy- we need to show different styles and levels of woodcarving- we need to demonstrate that everyone can participate!

How do we attract other woodcarving clubs, more new members & gawkers?

We are looking for your input!

The Show is quickly approaching - plan accordingly! Go carve something!

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