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## 2015 Post Show Newsletter

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*Greetings Members! We had a great turn out this year for the show. Thank you to all who participated and had entries. We revamped the website, elected new officers, had a new competition, awarded belt buckles, and had some great judges! It was very exciting this year, and we are looking forward to what the rest of the year holds.*

Newsletter Editor  
Stacey Landreth

## 2015 Best of Show



Eric Gould with his Mountain Goat! Eric did a fantastic job and it was a unique piece. Eric has been a long time member, reaching mastery level. Along with winning the Best of Show, he also hosted the finishing seminar. He is a very talented taxidermist, and we are so thankful that he shared his techniques with us! See page 5 for finishing tips from Eric.

## Mountain Goats

Both male and female mountain goats have beards, short tails, and long black horns, 5.9–11.0 inches in length, which contain yearly growth rings. They are protected from the elements by their woolly white double coats. The fine, dense wool of their undercoats is covered by an outer layer of longer, hollow hairs. Mountain goats molt in spring by rubbing against rocks and trees, with the adult billies (males) shedding their extra wool first and the pregnant nannies (females) shedding last. Their coats help them to withstand winter temperatures as low as  $-50^{\circ}\text{F}$  and winds of up to 100 mph. The mountain goat's feet are well-suited for climbing steep, rocky slopes with pitches exceeding  $60^{\circ}$ , with inner pads that provide traction and cloven hooves that can spread apart. The tips of their feet have sharp dewclaws that keep them from slipping.

CAT Elected Officers  
and BOD



President: Mark Dias

Vice President: Dan Grayson

Treasurer: Mike Pogue

Secretary: Stacey Landreth

Sportsman Awards: Gary McDaniel

Auctioneer: John Vaca

Seminar Coordinator: Steve Alderman

Donations & Vendor Coordinators:

Mark Nealson and Justin Jones

Recruitment Coordinators:

Joe Fowles and Ron Hawkins

Youth Coordinator: Anna Dominguez

Chad Hornbuckle's position on the

BOD will not be filled until his term is completed.



Thank You!

We need to offer our thanks to the spouses of the BOD and officers. Their behind the scenes work really helps us all do what we do and they are volunteering their time as well.

What we are up to

The officers are trying to buy or create a database for the show. Basically what the database will do is be a record keeper for the show; like points, awards, entries, members, cost, and updates. The program will allow us to run the show more efficiently & effectively. We are hoping to have it by next year's show.

*Thank you to our Donors!*

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## Finishing Tips

by Eric Gould:

- Use water based paints.
- Use a clean, dry tooth brush to remove dead skin & paint overspray
- Use a hair dryer to dry paint and airbrush.
- Don't put on too much gloss.
- Look at reference!
- Keep Finishing Simple!

## Golden State Tannery



*Thank You to our Bronze Sponsor! We appreciate your support!*

## Suppliers

*Research Manikins*

*McKenzie Taxidermy Supply*

*Van Dykes Taxidermy Supply*

*Jonas Taxidermy Supply*

*Trufitt*

*McGrath Woodworks*

Thank you to the vendors who attended the show. Your support and participation is greatly appreciated!

## Judges:

Brenda Duvall

Ty Rose

# CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF TAXIDERMISTS

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Dated: 6/12/2015

Beginning Balance			Date: 2/27/2015	\$8384.00
Check#/Deposit	Date	Payee	Goods/Service	\$ Amount
2226	3/27/15	McKenzie Supply	CAT Mounting Stand	-117.81
2227	3/28/15	Lisa Hornbuckle	Chad Memorial	-3000.00
2228	3/28/15	Troy Rose	Judges Fee	-1000.00
2229	3/28/15	Brenda Duvall	Judges Fee	-1622.00
2230	3/28/15	Mark Nelson	Bow Raffle	-600.00
Deposit	3/30/15		CAT Show Cash/Checks	9220.50
ATM	3/12/15	Steve Alderman	Raffle and Auction Items Purchased	-973.92
Deposit	3/30/15	Intuit Credit Card	Income - Show	4150.00
Withdraw	3/30/15	Intuit Credit Card	Transaction Fees	-108.45
2231	3/30/15	Alpine Awards	Show Awards	-2749.34
Deposit	3/31/15	Intuit Credit Card	Income - Show	4525.00
Withdraw	3/31/15	Intuit Credit Card	Transaction Fees	-117.10
2232	4/1/15	Crowne Plaza Hotel	Show Venue Fees	-8984.99

			2015 Show Revenue Verses Expense	(-1378.11)
Deposit		Wildlife Fur	Sponsorship	1500.00
Deposit		Golden State Tannery	Sponsorship	500.00
Deposit		UTA	Sponsorship	100
	4/1/2015		Balance	9105.89
Withdraw	4/21/2015	Wells Fargo	Cash Deposit Fee	-6
2233	5/1/2015	Alpine Awards	Awards	-68.67
2234	5/1/2015	Gary McDaniel	Banner Expense	-105.00
2235	6/12/2015	Sacred Grounds	Website Hosting Fees	-1200.00
<b>Ending Balance</b>			<b>Date:6/12/2015</b>	<b>\$7626.22</b>



## Board Meeting Notes

Meeting began at 7:45 am 3/28/15

Mike Pogue re-elected for Treasurer, nominated by Dan and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John.

Stacey Landreth elected as Secretary, nom. By Dan & 2<sup>nd</sup> by John.

Dan Grayson re-elected as V.P., nom. By Mike & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stacey.

Mark Dias re-elected as President, nom. By Dan & 2<sup>nd</sup> by John.

Steve Alderman, board title as Seminar Coordinator.

Mark Nealson and Justin Jones, board titles as Donations Coordinators.

Joe Fowles and Ron Hawkins- overview of new director duties.

Moving the Show:

- Negotiate Fee- \$6000 approx.
- ISC Show-
- Pros: Financial Gain, clientele gain, public visibility, still in Sac.
- Cons: During hunting season for birds.
- Steve motioned, Joe and Gary 2<sup>nd</sup>: motion passed.
- Hotel logistics and coordination, Advertising advantages, Donation advantages, Can Start offering scholarships, Exposure

Changing Divisions:

- Masters, Professional, Commercial (adding in), Open, and Novice.
- \*Commercial cannot win major awards\*
- -if you bring commercial, also bring a show piece-(?)
- Side note-accurate count on ribbons-
- Mike motioned to change divisions-interrupted

- Clarifications: Master, Professional, Open, and Junior. And adding Commercial. Commercial is non-point occural. Public/customer voted prizes.
- John motioned, Joe 2<sup>nd</sup>: motion passed, no-nays by majority
- Voting for addition on commercial division. John motioned, Joe 2<sup>nd</sup>: motion passed.

Scrap Challenge-Dan motioned, John 2<sup>nd</sup>: motion passed

Dan: Golden State Challenge instead-

- New rules and guidelines
- Not by species
- Piece entered has to have a set of guidelines to meet (example:  $\frac{3}{4}$  of habitat cant touch base, rotated ears, etc.)
- John 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed

Must come up with rules and must be in the next newsletter.

Members Voting: Scratched

2 species on same base for Golden State Challenge. Announce to members tonight.

Personal letter of changes (show everything)

9:39 John motioned to close meeting, Dan 2<sup>nd</sup>: motion passed.

These are the notes taken by the secretary during the board meeting at the show. If members have questions regarding what is in the notes, please contact Stacey.

## New Challenge!

Instead of the California Challenge, we will now have the Golden State Challenge. This challenge is non-species related. And each year will be new, just like the California challenge. However, this challenge is mount specifications related. For example: at our 2016 show, the Golden State challenge is any piece with 2 species on the same base. We hope to see

many unique pieces at next years show!

## New Member!

Please welcome Paige Adalynn Landreth! She was born on April Fools Day, just after the show. She was 7 lbs 10 oz, 19 ½ inches long. Such a sweet little girl, Congratulations Rodney and Stacey!

If any members have news, please let us know!