

September 2017

CAT Tales



2018 Shows

CA: March 1-3

AZ: TBA

OR: June 21-23

ID: TBA

MWTO: TBA

UTA: June 7-9

Greetings from the Secretary,

This is our updated newsletter format. Please review all the pages as CAT would like to involve the members in our newsletter and frame it around the news you want to hear. Please submit pictures, or articles of interest to you, to Stacey Landreth. There are a few updates going on in this quarter, but most of us are readying ourselves for the events of the 2018 show. Updates from the board will be posted in the newsletter, or members may contact directors at any time.

Thank you!

CAT secretary Stacey Landreth

News Page

CAT donated an award to the MWTO. The Mountain West Taxidermy Organization was founded by Allen Burril and is held in Idaho. This year was their second show. Membership requirement is to have a Facebook, that's it! Please contact Allen Burril or Andrew Rayner for information.

Best Bird In Flight



California Members really represented at the second annual Mountain West Taxidermy Organization show. Taxidermists Ron and Lori Hawkins, and Mike Pogue took blue ribbons. Ron received BOC in game heads, Lori received BOC in life-size, and Mike received BOC in small life-size.

California Member Sean McKinney attended the National Taxidermy Association show and entered in game heads.

All members have done so well, we are encouraging members to participate in all they can to grow in this field of work. Keep up the good work!

Congratulations to All!

News Updates

New Members:

Breanna Blankenship, Steve Cavazos, Ryan Darrow, Travis DeVillers, Rich Enciso, Dustin Gibbs, Natasha Glenn, Ed Greer, Shawn Hoover, John Kleber, Jay Kuhre, Richard Lee, Olivia Misero, Emily Nelson, Adam Oliver, Lissette Silva, Paloma Strong, Roy Tompson, Chelsea Wadleigh, Steve and Michael Warren.

Seminars

Winter seminars are still being planned, but the BOD are looking for ideas. We previously had a bird seminar in Chico in June. Please send suggestions to any of the BOD. Private seminars are available as well from the BOD or other members. Please contact interested parties personally.

Membership updates:

- Golden State Challenge is any Open Mouth piece.
- Please submit seminars ideas/requests for the show!
- If you move, please update your address with Treasurer Lori Hawkins.
- T-Shirts are still available! They will also be for sale at seminars or over the phone. Please contact Allis Markham.
- At this years show, some officer positions are up for election. If you are interested in serving CAT as a Director or Officer, please let President Dan Grayson know.

Members Information

Help Questions:

How to I cure velvet deer antlers? I've tried injecting embalming fluid, but still attract flies and looks terrible. What to I do to preserve original velvet?

—Stacey Landreth

Answer: Get a plastic tub. Fill with cheap unleaded gasoline. Cut the skull cap in half, with a V or notch. Soak antlers in gas for 10 days. Let air out outside for a few days. No blood, no flies. Once dry, rejoin notched skull cap with bondo. Fluff velvet with a soft wire brush.

—Tom Weatherson

Misc. Info

- Rodney and Stacey Landreth are expecting Baby #3. February 15, 2018. Congratulations!
- Sean McKinney is soon retiring from his long time career with construction to solely pursue taxidermy.

Advice Corner

Easiest way to clean glass eyes: Get a Scrubber Paint Brush (can be found at Michaels or craft stores). Dip brush in water or Windex and go over entire eye. Then dip brush in pledge floor polish and gently go over eye. Let dry, bright shiny eyes!

“Hunting isn't just somethin' we do, it's part of who we are.”

Regards and Misc. Info

Hunting, Fishing, and Mounts



Mule deer, Mark Nelson Coues Deer pair, mounted By Stacey Landreth



Elk hunt, Joe Fowles



1st elk, Rodney Landreth

Members Pictures