

*THE CONNECTICUT
WOODCARVERS ASSOCIATION*

EVENTS CALENDAR 2014-5:

Our meetings are open carving sections. You are welcome to come to work on your own project or try our novice project we try to have every month. EVERYONE is always welcome – individuals and families with children age 10 or older. If you wish to introduce a child less than 10 years old, please contact us ahead of time for tips and projects. Please bring your carving knife. The novice projects are fun for all.

Our monthly meetings are Sunday's 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at CT Forest and Park Association Building on Rte 66 in Middlefield

CWCA Events

February 1: CWCA Monthly Meeting: **Project** – Wood burning – Linda Syphers. There will be no blank for this seminar. Please bring a piece of wood for burning and a tool if you have one.

February 15, 16 & 17, 2013: Elements of Nature Art Show Carving Demonstration, Hosted by the **Northeast Sportsman's Expo:** We have been asked to display again at the Hartford Convention Center.

March 1: CWCA Monthly Meeting: **Project** – Soap Carving – Lynda Zibbideo

April 12: CWCA Monthly Meeting: **Project** – Spoons and wood spirit – Leo Hein (**date moved for Easter on 5th**)

May 3: CWCA Monthly Meeting: **Project** – Walking Stick – class project

June 6: CWCA Annual Show

July TBD: Annual picnic

September 13th (late meeting due to Labor Day 9/7)

October 4 / November 1 / December 6: tbd projects

Our Club's Demonstration Events

February 13, 14 & 15, 2015: Elements of Nature Art Show Carving Demonstration, Hosted by the Northeast Sportsman's Expo: We have been asked to display again at the Hartford Convention Center.

<http://www.fishinghuntingshow.com/tickets.cfm>



February's Novice Project

Linda will be leading our novice project for February. (January was an open session.) Please bring in your own wood for the project. We will not have blanks available. Your piece should be smooth because it will provide a better surface. Please also bring a burning tool if you have one. This way you can learn your tool and be sure to have the ability to actually do the project. There may not be enough to go around.

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The Wood Working Show Demonstration:

Thank you to Leo, Michael, Mark, Jennifer, Gary, Grant, Andre, Charles, and Linda for coming and demonstrating at the show. There was a great turn out and we were able to attract some new members. Hopefully we were also able to inspire even more people to begin carving.



Elements of Nature Art Show:

As we have done the past few years, we are demonstrating at the Elements of Nature Art Show at the NE Fishing and Hunting Show at the Convention Center. We are still confirming the final details. Please see Leo for more details in at meeting. Need volunteers for Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Thursday night we need some help to set up time (will be out by 8 p.m.).

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME:

As we do every year, the new year is the time to remind all of our members that dues for 2015 are due. Membership runs by the calendar year January 1st to December 31st. Please send the form on the other side of this page to our Membership Director, Mark Austin at the following address:

C. W. C. A.
c/o Mark Austin
258 Campville Road
Northfield, CT 06778

Dues are \$15 per year
Checks payable to: C. W. C. A.

Please check the mailing label for the year that you are paid through. If it says 2015, you are all set. If you receive the newsletter via email, send in an email and I will confirm your dues status.

For your convenience, you can also come to our monthly meeting, give the dues directly to Mark and enjoy a wonderful seminar and carving session. Please also remember that membership makes a wonderful gift! Do you know a fellow carver that is not a member? Invite them to a meeting or give them a gift membership and bring them to a meeting!

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Race for the Woods: Sponsored by the CFPA. Sessions Woods Wildlife Management Area, Burlington, CT: Saturday in September. The CFPA asked us to come and demonstrate again this year at this event. Again this year, the Club is donated walking sticks to the CFPA for the winners of the race. We are looking for other carvers to help with sticks and demonstrators for this year's event. We need 5 sticks for the event. Please use a nature theme.

Knife Making

When you cannot seem to find the fit or shape of knife that you may need, making your own carving knife is often the best answer. We often have carving knife making projects at our meetings. The blanks are around \$5 each. Come down to our monthly meetings and learn a new skill or improve your existing skills.



We also have a friendship cane project. These are two of our projects that are commonly available. For those of you that have blocks (or want one) please get the segment back to Leo so we can finish our second friendship cane.

We have some demonstrations being planned. Watch for details.

January's Meeting

New members. Family activities at their best.



Friendship Cane block in the making

