"Annual EC Awards Program Guidelines"

Guidelines for our annual awards as determined by the NCBA Executive Council, have been formulated and finalized. Please read them carefully to see if you or anyone you know would fit any of the categories listed. You may submit your own nomination and resume or do one for someone else. The awards are for you, the members of the NCBA. If you know of someone who deserves recognition but may feel uncomfortable submitting their own resume, please don't hesitate to contact one of the council members.

<u>NOTE:</u> For the year 2012, we ask that nominations & resumes be mailed, emailed or hand-delivered so that the President, or any Executive Council member receive them no later than January 15, 2013.

The awards guidelines are as follows:

BOWHUNTER OF THE YEAR AWARD The Bowhunter of the Year Award is designed to recognize special efforts or accomplishments by a NCBA member in the field of bowhunting. A new nomination ballot went into effect January 1, 2011. REFER to the NCBA website for interactive copies of this form.

- Nominations may be submitted to any member of the Executive Council using the standard form for these awards no later than January 15th.
 Nominations may be submitted by any member including the nominee. The person submitting the nomination and resume is responsible for the credibility and
- accuracy of its contents.
- 3. The nomination, which will encompass the preceding year from January 1st thru December 31st, must outline the hunting skills or accomplishments of the hunter. Some things which may be considered, but not limited to, are:Time spent in pursuit of game; Knowledge of the game and its habits; Physical effort put forth; Preparation for the hunt; Woodsmanship; Ethics; Type of game pursued; Variety of game pursued. (See new guidelines on our website.)

NOTE: Monetary cost and expenses incurred may NOT be mentioned in the resume or considered by the E.C. in naming the award winner.

4. The winner of this year's award will be chosen by using of the new nomination and scoring system. (See new guidelines on our website.)

5. The recipient of this award will be recognized at an annual awards banquet and receive a plaque or other concession which will be decided by the Executive Council.

6. The recipient of this award is limited to NCBA membership.

FEMALE BOWHUNTER OF THE YEAR AWARD*YOUTH MALE BOWHUNTER OF THE YEAR AWARD*YOUTH FEMALE BOWHUNTER OF THE YEAR AWARD **Same guidelines apply for these three as for BOWHUNTER OF THE YEAR.

For **YOUTH** awards, nominees must have been under the age of 16 on the date any animal was harvested, or for any journal entries to be considered. The youth or his/her parent/guardian must also have been an active member of NCBA on the date of harvest.

NCBA PRESIDENTIAL AWARD

The purpose of the Presidential Award is to recognize the special efforts or contribution of a single person or group who's actions have best benefitted the purpose and causes of the North Carolina Bowhunters Association.

- 1. A resume of the person or groups action and how it has benefitted NCBA must be submitted by the January EC meeting, preceding the Annual Awards Banquet.
- 2. The resume shall encompass the activities or contribution during a period from January 1st through December 31st of the year preceding the Awards Banquet.
- All resumes shall be submitted to the President by the January EC meeting. ONE winner will be chosen by the President. If no resumes are submitted, the
 President may choose someone to receive the award and it will be announced at the EC awards banquet on Saturday night.
- Recipients shall be recognized by NCBA at an Awards Banquet and receive a plaque or other concession which will be decided by the President.
- The recipient shall be recognized by NCBA at an Awards Banquet and receive a plaque of other concession which will be decided by the President.
- This award is "optional" and will be given at the discretion of the President.
- 7. The recipient(s) of this award is **<u>NOT</u>** limited to NCBA membership.

LOCAL CHAPTER OF THE YEAR AWARD

The purpose of this award is to recognize the special efforts of a local chapter club in promoting bowhunting and furthering the cause of the North Carolina Bowhunters Association. A new nomination ballot went into effect January 1, 2011. REFER to the NCBA website for interactive copies of this form.

- 1. A resume of club activities during the period of January 1st through December 31st must be submitted to the Executive Council by the January EC meeting of the following year, preceding the Annual Awards Banquet utilizing the new format for selecting the winner of this award.
- 2. Categories may include but are not limited to: Promoting Bowhunting; Educating Bowhunters; Community Service; Conservation; Money Raising Projects; Bowhunter Defense; Membership Recruitment.. (The new nomination format went into effect January 1, 2011 and must be utilized for this award.)
- All nominations shall be submitted to the Executive Council no later than January 15th. The winner will be chosen using the new nomination and scoring system adopted for this award, which can be found on the NCBA's website.)
- 4. The recipient of this award will be recognized at an Annual Awards Banquet and receive a plaque or other concession which will be decided by the Executive Council.
- 5. The recipient of this award is limited to NCBA local chapter club membership.

MOST ACTIVE NEW LOCAL CHAPTER AWARD

The purpose of this award is to recognize a new local chapter club and their efforts to promote Bowhunting and further the cause of the North Carolina Bowhunters Association.

- 1. A resume of the clubs activities during the past three years, but not to exceed 36 months, must be submitted to the Executive Council no later than the January EC meeting preceding the Annual Awards Banquet utilizing the new format for selecting the winner of this award.
- 2. Categories may include but are not limited to: (Same as for LOCAL CHAPTER OF THE YEAR, item #2 above.)
- 3. The winner will be chosen using the new nomination and scoring system which can be found on the NCBA's website.
- 4. The recipient of this award will be recognized at an Annual Awards Banquet and receive a plaque or other concession which will be decided by the Executive Council.
- 5. The recipient of this award is limited to NCBA local chapter club membership.

OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARDS

The purpose of this award is to recognize the outstanding services, contribution, or commitment to NCBA by an individual, club or group.

- 1. Members of the Executive Council shall provide nominees, and a reason for the nomination for this award ad the winners will be decided by a simple majority vote
- of the Executive Council. Nominations must be made no later than the January EC meeting preceding the Annual Awards Banquet.
- 2. The recipients of this award are **<u>NOT</u>** limited to NCBA membership.
- 3. The recipient of this award will be recognized at an Annual Awards Banquet and receive a plaque or other concession which will be decided by the Executive Council.

"NCBA BYRD BUILT GOLDEN ARROW AWARD"

The "NCBA Golden Arrow Award" was founded by Kenneth Byrd of "Byrd Built Custom Arrows" in 1996. Nominations are submitted to the NCBA Executive Council each year and the winner is determined by majority vote of the council. The award is given to a bowhunter who has been <u>"Physically Challenged"</u> and faces physical adversities which would normally prevent him/her from participating in the sport of Bowhunting. The recipient may, in fact, <u>NOT</u> be able to bowhunt any more! In many cases, the recipient has (legitimately) qualified for the special cross-bow permit, but has chosen to continue to shoot either a traditional or conventional (compound) bow. The recipient of this award is limited to NCBA membership. Nominations should be submitted to the NCBA President each year no later than January 15th for the previous year's award.

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIPS

The secretary shall present any LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP applications received during the previous calendar year to the Executive Council no later than the January EC meeting, preceding the Annual Awards Banquet. Applications will be read aloud and reviewed by the Executive Council. LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP applications will be voted upon by the Executive Council. Final approval by a majority vote of the Executive Council is required.

NCBA "BOWHUNTER HALL OF FAME"

NOMINATIONS may come from any active NCBA member in "Good Standing" and must be received by the president or any member of the Executive Committee no later than the January EC meeting in order to be considered for acceptance into the "Hall" each year. Nominations must be accompanied by an essay, resume and any other documentation available which would help justify consideration and acceptance of the nominee. There is <u>NO</u> time limitation for documentation of information in the resume. The nomination must also be signed by at least three other NCBA members upon being submitted to the Executive Council for consideration. The recipient of this award is limited to NCBA membership.

CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE "HALL OF FAME"

There shall be three "classes" or categorical requirements for membership. These are: "*Pioneering'', ''Service'' and ''Bowhunting Accomplishments.''* Nominees must satisfy the requirements of at least <u>''one''</u> of these "classes" to be considered for acceptance.

AWARDS will be presented to new inductees into the "HALL" at the Annual NCBA Awards Banquet, if possible. These awards may take the form of a certificate or plaque, as deemed appropriate by the Executive Council. The design and wording shall be standardized and approved by the Executive Council.

OUTSIDE AWARDS - (FOR NON-NCBA MEMBERS)

ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE YEAR AWARD N.C. BIOLOGIST OF THE YEAR AWARD WILDLIFE COMMISSIONER OF THE YEAR AWARD N.C. LEGISALTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

(These are optional awards which may be given at the discretion of the Executive Council) The purpose of these awards is to recognize the outstanding service or contribution to NCBA and Bowhunting in North Carolina by a single individual or each of these four groups.

- 1. Members of the Executive Council shall provide nominees and a reason for the nomination by the January EC meeting.
- 2. The resume should encompass the preceding years accomplishments beginning December 1st of the previous year through November 30th of the current year, prior to the upcoming NCBA Annual Awards Banquet.
- 3. The winner(s) shall be chosen by a simple majority vote by the Executive Council.
- 4. The recipient of these awards will be recognized by NCBA at the Saturday night Annual Awards Banquet and receive a plaque or other concession which will be decided by the Executive Council.