

# ***LAKE ERIE WATERFOWL CLASSIC OPEN DUCK AND GOOSE CALLING CONTEST***

## **CONTESTS WILL BEGIN AT 1PM**

**REGISTRATION WILL START ON SUN AT 10 AM, AND WILL END AT 12 PM ON SUN AT  
THE FINAL APPROCH BOOTH**

**Contestants MUST be present by 12 pm  
A Callers meeting will be held at 12:30 pm**

**YOUTH OPEN DUCK CALLING:** open to callers that are 16 and under. If a junior wants to call in the adult contest they cannot call in the juniors Contestants will be judged on their ability to operate a call in the following categories: Hail call, mating or lonesome hen, feeding call and the comeback. This event will be run as and adhere to Stuttgart's sanctioned

**Entry Fee \$15**

**YOUTH OPEN GOOSE CALLING:** open to callers that are 16 and under. If a junior wants to call in adult contest they cannot call in the juniors Contestants will be judged on their ability to operate a call in the following categories: greeting call, intermediate call, feeding call and the comeback.

**Entry Fee: \$15**

**ADULT OPEN DUCK CALLING:** open to all callers. Contestants will be judged on their ability to operate a call in the following categories: Hail call, mating or lonesome hen, feeding call and the comeback. This event will be run as and adhere to the calling contest rules listed below. **Entry Fee: \$25**

**ADULT OPEN GOOSE CALLING:** open to all callers. Contestants will be judged on their ability to operate a call in the following categories: greeting call, intermediate call, feeding call and the comeback. This event will be run as and adhere to the calling contest rules listed below. **Entry Fee: \$25**

## **CONTEST RULES**

### **ORDER OF APPEARANCE**

Subsequent to the closing of registration, a master list will be prepared listing all contestants. Each contestant will draw a number for order of appearance. The Contestants in any callback, which the committee may require, will draw a new number before each appearance. Contestants shall be identified by number only until the conclusion of the contest. Contestants will not be permitted to leave the isolation area unless accompanied by a contest official. Smoking shall not be permitted in the isolation area. The use of alcohol or drugs will not be permitted during the entire contest. This or any conduct unbecoming to a sportsman/sportswoman, gentleman/lady, as determined by contests officials, will be subject to disqualification.

### **METHOD OF JUDGING**

Judging shall be based on a contestants ability to bring in simulated flights of ducks or geese using the following basics: **Calls for Duck:** 1) hail or long distance call; 2) mating or lonesome hen call; 3) feed or chatter call; and 4) comeback call. **Calls for Goose:** greeting call; 2) intermediate call; 3) feeding call; and 4) comeback call. Each time the contestant is permitted to call, the time shall be limited to 1 ½ minutes (90 seconds). An overtime caller will be disqualified. A 15 second warm-up period is permitted if desired. When the contestant is ready to begin, the time will start and the light will go off with the callers first note. The light will remain off for 1 minute 20 seconds. When the light comes back on the contestant will have 10 seconds to complete the call. Failure to complete the call before the light goes off again will disqualify the contestant from further competition. There will be a designated place to stand and the contestant is required to face the audience. Judges will be located in such a manner that it is impossible for them to identify any contestant except by number. The decision of the judges is based upon scoring of 0-20 for each of the four elements of calling plus a 0-20 rating based on overall presentation for a cumulative maximum score of 100.

*NOTE: The Calling Contest Rules Committee reserves all rights to interpret the application of the contest rules. Such policies and rules which are not covered by these printed rules may be announced by the committee from time to time. The decision of the Calling Contest Rules Committee shall, in all instances, be final.*