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Corporal Brian Adams Named Top Game Warden in North America

SOCIAL CIRCLE – Recently, Cpl. Brian Adams, who is assigned to Glascock County, was named the top Game Warden in North America when he was presented the 2018 Officer of the Year award by the North American Wildlife Enforcement Officers Association (NAWEOA) at their annual conference in in Cheyenne, WY.

"Cpl. Adams is a great example of what conservation law enforcement is all about," said DNR Commissioner Mark Williams. "He is a leader who is committed to protecting and conserving our natural resources and is dedicated to keeping the citizens of Georgia safe."



Cpl. Brian Adams

According to NAWEOA's website, the winner of this award must have character beyond reproach, be competent, knowledgeable and capable, promote wildlife law enforcement, and demonstrate professionalism in every facet of life.

Cpl. Adams places education high on his priority list, understanding that the knowledge of hunting and boating safety practices will prevent future tragedies. Last year, he worked with Glascock County Public School officials to adjust the curriculum to include Hunter Ed for all 9th grade students and Boater Ed for all 8th grade students, ensuring that every student can be certified in both before graduation. Adams is also a proven investigator and initiated four lengthy investigations last year, resulting 89 violator contacts and the seizure of 14 vehicles, over \$30,000 in cash, 22 firearms, and illicit drugs with a street value of over \$310,000.

"This is the top wildlife enforcement award in North America and Brian has proven that he deserves it," said Col. Eddie Henderson, director of the Law Enforcement Division. "He is a versatile and valuable Game Warden and personifies our slogan 'Law Enforcement Off the Pavement'."

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