

2026 Prairie Canada Carving Championships - Ribbons and awards presented. The following results are believed to be correct based on records of the day. **BOS** indicates **Best of Show**. Category results are shown below as well as 1st, 2nd and 3rd BOS. **Special Competition Results are also shown below.**

1st Best of Show Winners 2026

Novice	Waterfowl	Nick Bonekamp	Pine Falls	MB	Wood duck drake
Intermediate	Waterfowl	Doug Danell	Winnipeg	MB	Common Loon
Open	Waterfowl	Susan Cowtan	Winnipeg	MB	Bufflehead Hen
Novice	Wildfowl	Nick Bonekamp	Pine Falls	MB	Great Horned Owl
Intermediate	Wildfowl	Ryan Puhlman	Edmonton	AB	California Quail
Open	Wildfowl	Bob Steele	Edmonton	AB	Flying Sandhill Crane
Novice	Traditional	Bill Strong	Winnipeg	MB	Face - Relief
Intermediate	Traditional	George Spencer	Winnipeg	Mb	Realistic Female
Open	Traditional	Wayne Olson	Edmonton	AB	Orca Pair
Novice	Fish	Robert Fournier	Winnipeg	MB	Walleye
Intermediate	Fish	Doug Danell	Winnipeg	MB	Rainbow Trout
Open	Fish	Ben Huener	Roseau	MN	Brook Trout

Purchase Award Winners

Prairie Canada Raffle 2027 - Walleye	Barry Whitford
Prairie Canada Raffle 2028 - Cinnamon Teal pair	Ray Minaudier
Jim Richardson antique Wilfred Benham bluebill decoy -	Ernie Fox
Carrie Braden Single Feather - Ruffed Grouse	David Koss
AAE Tech Service Brook Trout	Jean Mousseau
Winnipeg Building & Decorating Rainbow Trout	Don Young
DKB Dental Corp Belted Kingfisher	Reuben Unger

Other Winners

Cocktail Best of Show - Tom Park - Cedar Waxwing
Don Phalen Memorial - Best novice decoy - Dave Nichol - Redhead drake
First in all Junior categories - Rhys Pulmann

Class	Division	Category	Award	Contestant	Town	Prov	Description
Novice							
	AA: Decorative Waterbirds-non floating						
		AA1. Waterbird Lifesize flat bottom					
			1st, 1st BOS	Nick Bonekamp	Pine Falls	MB	Wood duck drake
		AA2. Waterbird Midsize flat bottom					
			1st	Nick Bonekamp	Pine Falls	MB	Canvasback Drake
		AA3. Waterbird Lifesize w. habitat					
			1st, 2nd BOS	Jeff Toering	Edmonton	AB	Hen Mallard with ducklings
	B: Traditional Gunning Lifesize Decoy						
		B2. Diving Ducks					
			1st	Sante Colonnello	Winnipeg	MB	Redhead Drake
			2nd	Doug Parke	Winnipeg	MB	Ringneck Hen
		B4. Ducks, geese, swans, Shore (non-floating)					
			1st	Bob Smith	Winnipeg	MB	Red Head (no keel)
			2nd	Sante Colonnello	Winnipeg	MB	Barrows Goldeneye drake
	BB: Vintage Decoy, Lifesize						
		BB1. Pristine: Ducks, geese, swans, grebes, coots					
			1st	Bill Strong	Winnipeg	MB	Wood duck drake
	C: Contemporary Gunning Life-size Decoy						
		C2. Diving Ducks					
			1st, 3rd BOS	Dave Nichol	Grosse Isle	MB	Redhead Drake
	E: Decorative Life-size Non-floating Wildbird						
		E2. Songbirds "2"					
			1st	Maureen Pilz	Winnipeg	MB	Ruby throated hummingbird
			2nd	Barb Hayward	Winnipeg	MB	Chickadee
			3rd	Ron Kirby	Winnipeg	MB	Chickadee
			HM	Dana Stockwell	Winnipeg	MB	Goldfinch
		E3. Songbirds "3"					
			1st	Lisa Karpowicz	Winnipeg	ON	Blue jay on perch
			2nd	Dana Stockwell	Winnipeg	MB	African Grey Parrot
		E4. Upland Game, Birds of Prey					
			1st	Nick Bonekamp	Pine Falls	MB	Saw-whet Owl

	2nd	Jonathan Lange	Dufresne	MB	Ring-necked Pheasant
	3rd	Jason Molinski	Winnipeg	MB	Great Grey Owl chainsaw
E6. Wading birds, Sea birds					
	1st, 2nd BOS	Jeff Toering			Least Bittern
E7. Midsize					
	1st, 1st BOS	Nick Bonekamp	Pine Falls	MB	Great Horned Owl
	2nd	Xander Puhlman	Edmonton		Sandhill Crane
	3rd	Nick Bonekamp	Pine Falls	MB	Peregrine Falcon
F: Decorative Miniature Wildbird					
F3. Songbirds "3"					
	1st	Ken Jones	Winnipeg	MB	Toucan
F4. Upland Game, Birds of Prey					
	1st, 3rd BOS	Nick Bonekamp	Pine Falls	MB	Ruffed Grouse
G: Natural Finish Wildlife					
G1. Birds					
	1st	Ken Jones	Winnipeg	MB	Cranes - Sculptural
	2nd	Sherry Guikas	Ste Agathe	MB	Nuthatch on branch
G3. Reptiles & Amphibians					
	1st	Ric Remillard	Winnipeg	MB	Sea Turtle on Maple Burl
G4. Mammals					
	1st	Ed Toews	Winnipeg	MB	Hungry Bear
	2nd	Ed Toews	Winnipeg	MB	The Boss - Bear
G5. Stylized or Artistic					
	1st	Chuck Delorme	Winnipeg	MB	Crab - Natural
H: Animals					
H1. Realistic					
	1st	Ron Kirby	Winnipeg	MB	Black Panther
	2nd	Louise Ylonen	Lac Du Bonnet	MB	Cougar family
	3rd	Ric Remillard	Winnipeg	MB	Yellow Sea Horse
H2. Caricature					
	1st	Brian Hammond	St Genevieve	MB	Happy Puppy Dog
I: Human					
I2. Caricature					
	1st	Douglas Fyfe	Winnipeg	MB	Hunter and Dog
I3. Myth & FantasyI3. Myth & Fantasy					
	1st	Robert Hince	Winnipeg	MB	Wood Spirit Bird House
	2nd	Ron Kirby	Winnipeg	MB	Leprechaun
	3rd	Bill Strong	Winnipeg	MB	Human Myth
J: Relief					
J1. Relief					
	1st, 1st BOS	Bill Strong	Winnipeg	MB	Face - Relief
	2nd, 2nd BOS	Brendan Wakeman	Mitchell	MB	Celtic Cross/Tree sign
	3rd	Steve Venner	Winnipeg	MB	Wolf with Moon
K: Natural Materials					
K1. Bark - Spirits and Faces					
	1st	Marielle Dyck	Lowe Farm	MB	Ape Man - wood spirit
	2nd	Dana Stockwell	Winnipeg	MB	Green man Bark
	3rd	Randy Jorundson	Winnipeg	MB	Bark/Vikings
K2. Bark - Whimsical Houses & Similar					
	1st, 3rd BOS	Ben Salnikowski	Winnipeg	MB	Bark Carving
	2nd	Paul Soder	Ste Anne	MB	Waterwheel bark house
	3rd	Robert Fournier	Winnipeg	MB	Whimsical House
K4. Canes & Walking Sticks					
	1st	Randy Jorundson	Winnipeg	MB	Moose Walking Stick
	2nd	Chris Mikolajek	Winnipeg	MB	Tiki Walking Stick
	3rd	Randy Jorundson	Winnipeg	MB	Bear walking stick
K7. Pyrography					
	1st	Curt Bueckert	Steinbach	MB	Hudson Bay pyrography
P: Exhibition Category					
P3. Creative Sculpture					
	1st	Ed Toews	Winnipeg	MB	Treble Clef
Q: Original Carvings					
Q2. Traditional					
	1st	Ron Kirby	Winnipeg	MB	Spoon
Q3. Miscellaneous					
	1st	Chris Mikolajek	Winnipeg	MB	Half brain/Half heart
Y: Decorative Fish					

Y6. Decorative Warmwater Gamefish					
	1st, 1st BOS	Robert Fournier	Winnipeg	MB	Walleye
	2nd, 3rd BOS	Barry Whitford	Winnipeg	MB	Walleye
	3rd	Barb Hayward	Winnipeg	MB	Yellow Perch
Y7. Decorative Tropical Fish					
	1st, 2nd BOS	Paul Soder	Ste Anne	MB	Tropical Fish
Intermediate					
AA: Decorative Waterbirds-non floating					
AA2. Waterbird Midsize flat bottom					
	1st, 1st BOS	Doug Danell	Winnipeg	MB	Common Loon
BB: Vintage Decoy, Lifesize					
BB1. Pristine: Ducks, geese, swans, grebes, coots					
	1st, 2nd BOS	Tom McCormack	Winnipeg	MB	Black Duck Vintage style
D: Slick Life-size Decoy					
D1. Puddle Ducks & Diving Ducks					
	1st, 3rd BOS	Gord Unger	Carman	MB	Hooded Merganser
E: Decorative Life-size Non-floating Wildbird					
E2. Songbirds "2"					
	1st, 3rd BOS	Delorese Clement	Morris	MB	Hummingbird
	2nd	Mike Pilon	Winnipeg	MB	Redpoll
	3rd	Lynda Baxter	Winnipeg	MB	Black Capped Chickadees
E3. Songbirds "3"					
	1st	Robert Heath	Virden	MB	Downy Woodpecker
E4. Upland Game, Birds of Prey					
	1st, 2nd BOS	Ryan Puhlmann			American Kestral
	2nd	Robert Heath	Virden	MB	Swainsons Hawk
F: Decorative Miniature Wildbird					
F4. Upland Game, Birds of Prey					
	1st, 1st BOS	Ryan Puhlman	Edmonton	AB	California Quail
F5. Wading birds, Sea birds					
	1st	Colleen Noonan	Winnipeg	MB	Small Pelican
G: Natural Finish Wildlife					
G1. Birds					
	1st	Claude Giasson	Winnipeg	MB	Two Cranes
	2nd	Colleen Noonan	Winnipeg	MB	Cardinals
G2. Rusty Nail Shorebirds					
	1st	Gord Unger	Carman	MB	Rusty Nail Shorebird
	2nd	Gord Unger	Carman	MB	Rusty Nail Shorebird
	3rd	Gord Unger	Carman	MB	Rusty Nail Shorebird
G4. Mammals					
	1st	Ralph Thompson	Winnipeg	MB	Dog - Yellow poplar
H: Animals					
H1. Realistic					
	1st	Kathleen Norton	Stony Plain	AB	Jumping Fox
H2. Caricature					
	1st, 3rd BOS	Colleen Noonan	Winnipeg	MB	Toucan Sam
	2nd	Delorese Clement	Morris	MB	Froot Loop Toucan
	3rd	Vern Gilbertson	Winnipeg	MB	Miniature Poo Bear
H3. Heads, mammals only					
	1st	Glen Pedersen	Steinbach	MB	Black Bear Head
I: Human					
I1. Realistic					
	1st	Darrell Kowal	Riverton	MB	5th & Lonely
I2. Caricature					
	1st	Darrell Kowal	Riverton	MB	Robbie Road Rash
	2nd	Vern Gilbertson	Winnipeg	MB	Dancing Couple
	3rd	Darrell Kowal	Riverton	MB	Al B. Bach
I3. Myth & FantasyI3. Myth & Fantasy					
	1st	Darrell Kowal	Riverton	MB	Sam Squash
J: Relief					
J1. Relief					
	1st	Vern Gilbertson	Winnipeg	MB	Dog Face Relief
	2nd	Lorne Volk	Winnipeg	MB	Elk - relief
	3rd	Glen Pedersen	Steinbach	MB	Wolf Head howling
J2. Intarsia					
	1st	Dennis Schwark	Winnipeg	MB	Chinese Dragon
	2nd	Dennis Schwark	Winnipeg	MB	Common Buckeye butterfly

K: Natural Materials

K1. Bark - Spirits and Faces

1st	Colleen Wozny	Souris	MB	Weber - Wood Spirit
1st, 1st BOS	George Spencer	Winnipeg	Mb	Realistic Female
2nd	Colleen Wozny	Souris	MB	Willard-Wood spirit
2nd, 2nd BOS	George Spencer	Winnipeg	Mb	Realistic Male
3rd	Colleen Wozny	Souris	MB	Jeeves - Wood Spirit
3rd	George Spencer	Winnipeg	Mb	Realistic Male
HM	Ralph Thompson	Winnipeg	MB	Fisherman
HM	Delorese Clement	Morris	MB	Bark faces - Women

K7. Pyrography

1st	Louise Reilly	Winnipeg	MB	Daisy Bouquet
2nd	Glen Pedersen	Steinbach	MB	Hobbit House pyrography
3rd	Louise Reilly	Winnipeg	MB	Country Bridge

P: Exhibition Category

P3. Creative Sculpture

1st	Mike Pilon	Winnipeg	MB	Stylistic whale w/resin
2nd	Lynda Baxter	Winnipeg	MB	Puffins - Interesting Reflection!

P4. Habitat

1st	Robert Heath	Viriden	MB	Easter Lily
2nd	Robert Heath	Viriden	MB	Easter Lily

W: Natural Finish Fish

W1. Natural Finish Fish - Realistic

1st, 3rd BOS	Ralph Thompson	Winnipeg	MB	Angel Fish Walnut
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X: Fish Decoys

X4. Working fish decoys

1st, 2nd BOS	Colleen Noonan	Winnipeg	MB	Fish Decoy
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Y: Decorative Fish

Y5. Decorative Salmonids

1st, 1st BOS	Doug Danell	Winnipeg	MB	Rainbow Trout
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AA: Decorative Waterbirds-non floating

AA1. Waterbird Lifesize flat bottom

1st, 2nd BOS	Wayne Olson	Edmonton	AB	Cinnamon Teal Drake
2nd	Carmen Steele	Edmonton	AB	Canvasback hen
3rd	Steve Ewashko	Sherwood Park	AB	Greenwing Teal Hen
HM	Ernie Fox	Poplar Point	MB	Common Loon

AA2. Waterbird Midsize flat bottom

1st	John Frye	Winnipeg	MB	Loon
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AA4. Waterbird miniature w. habitat

1st	Don Young	Winnipeg	MB	Ruddy Turnstones & Dowitcher
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B: Traditional Gunning Lifesize Decoy

B1. Puddle Ducks

1st	Ross Gage	Winnipeg	MB	Black Duck hen
2nd	Ross Gage	Winnipeg	MB	Black Duck drake
3rd	Don Young	Winnipeg	MB	Wood duck drake

B2. Diving Ducks

1st, 1st BOS	Susan Cowtan	Winnipeg	MB	Bufflehead Hen
2nd, 3rd BOS	Bob Steele	Edmonton	AB	Barrows Goldeneye Drake
3rd	Ernie Fox	Poplar Point	MB	Canvasback Hen
HM	Ben Huener	Roseau	MN	Long-tailed Duck drake

B4. Ducks, geese, swans, Shore (non-floating)

1st	Ross Gage	Winnipeg	MB	Knot
2nd	Ross Gage	Winnipeg	MB	Dunlin
3rd	Ross Gage	Winnipeg	MB	Sanderling

BB: Vintage Decoy, Lifesize

BB1. Pristine: Ducks, geese, swans, grebes, coots

1st	Ernie Fox	Poplar Point	MB	Hen Mallard Factory Style
2nd	Ernie Fox	Poplar Point	MB	Mallard Drake Factory Style

BB3. Worn: Ducks, geese, swans, grebes, coots

1st	Ernie Fox	Poplar Point	MB	Hen Merganser - Fabens style
2nd	Ernie Fox	Poplar Point	MB	Ducharme Canvasback drake
3rd	Ernie Fox	Poplar Point	MB	Ducharme canvasback hen

C: Contemporary Gunning Life-size Decoy

C1. Puddle Ducks

1st	Joel Huener	Roseau	MN	Pintail Hen
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C2. Diving Ducks				
1st	Joel Huener	Roseau	MN	Ringneck Hen
2nd	Susan Cowtan	Winnipeg	MB	Redhead Drake
3rd	Joel Huener	Roseau	MN	Hooded Merganser drake
D: Slick Life-size Decoy				
D1. Puddle Ducks & Diving Ducks				
1st	Ernie Fox	Poplar Point	MB	Drake Pintail
2nd	Ernie Fox	Poplar Point	MB	Hen Pintail
E: Decorative Life-size Non-floating Wildbird				
E2. Songbirds "2"				
1st, 2nd BOS	Don Young	Winnipeg	MB	White-winged Crossbill
2nd, 3rd BOS	Reuben Unger	Clavet	SK	American Goldfinch
3rd	Tom Park	Winnipeg	MB	Cedar Waxwing
HM	Carmen Steele	Edmonton	AB	Blackburnian Warbler
E3. Songbirds "3"				
1st	Bob Steele	Sherwood Park	AB	Northern Shrike
2nd	Bob Lavender	Saskatoon	SK	Pine Grosbeak
3rd	Wayne Olson	Edmonton	AB	Northern Shrike
HM	Cliff Zarecki	Lac du Bonnet	MB	Northern Flicker with chicks
E4. Upland Game, Birds of Prey				
1st	Wayne Oilson	Edmonton		Kestral
E5. Wildbird Heads				
1st	Russ Mann	Edmonton	AB	Common Loon Bust
E6. Wading birds, Sea birds				
1st	Susan Cowtan	Winnipeg	MB	American Woodcock
E7. Midsize				
1st, 1st BOS	Bob Steele	Sherwood Park	AB	Flying Sandhill Crane
2nd	Carmen Steele	Edmonton	AB	Pintail in Flight
3rd	Russ Mann	Edmonton	AB	Flying Pintail
F: Decorative Miniature Wildbird				
F2. Songbirds "2"				
1st	Brenda Mitchell	Alberta Beach	AB	Red breasted Nuthatch
F4. Upland Game, Birds of Prey				
1st	Brenda Mitchell	Alberta Beach	AB	Barred Owl
2nd	Russ Mann	Edmonton	AB	Short Eared Owl
3rd	Carmen Steele	Edmonton	AB	Miniature Short Eared Owl
F5. Wading birds, Sea birds				
1st	Bob Steele	Sherwood Park	AB	Miniature Curlew
G: Natural Finish Wildlife				
G1. Birds				
1st	Leo Heyens	Kenora	ON	Eames replica House birds
G2. Rusty Nail Shorebirds				
1st	John Frye	Winnipeg	MB	Rusty Nail Shorebird
3rd	John Frye	Winnipeg	MB	Rusty Nail Shorebird
G5. Stylized or Artistic				
1st	Bill Nitzsche	Seven Sisters Falls	MB	Effortless Glide
2nd	Ray Minaudier	St. Claude	MB	Yellow Rail
H: Animals				
H1. Realistic				
1st, 1st BOS	Wayne Olson	Edmonton	AB	Orca Pair
2nd	Brenda Mitchell	Alberta Beach	AB	Red Fox
3rd	Wayne Soder	Ste Anne	MB	Giraffe mother and baby
H2. Caricature				
1st	David Koss	East St Paul	MB	Mice On Cheese
H4. Myth & Fantasy				
1st	Judy Perkins	Brandon	MB	Dragon King
2nd	Prabir Mitra	Winnipeg	MB	Carousel Horse
I: Human				
I2. Caricature				
1st	Marc Hebert	Ile de Chenes	MB	Cowboy hanging on
2nd	Wayne Soder	Ste Anne	MB	Gnome family
J: Relief				
J1. Relief				
1st	Barry Konzelman	St. Andrews	MB	Double Dragonsb
2nd	Garth Minish	Winnipeg	MB	Straight of Juan de Fuca relief
K: Natural Materials				
K1. Bark - Spirits and Faces				

	1st	Marc Hebert	Ile de Chenes	MB	Bark face
	2nd	Marc Hebert	Ile de Chenes	MB	Wood spirit #2
	3rd	Marc Hebert	Ile de Chenes	MB	Wood Spirit
K2. Bark - Whimsical Houses & Similar					
	1st	Iris Bidinosti	Lac du Bonnet	MB	Ancient Dwellings
	2nd	Judy Perkins	Brandon	MB	Bark in the round
	3rd	Iris Bidinosti	Lac du Bonnet	MB	Mariner's Guardian
K3. Found Wood					
	1st	Marc Hebert	Ile de Chenes	MB	Happy face found wood
K4. Canes & Walking Sticks					
	1st	Wayne Soder	Ste Anne	MB	Snake walking stick
	2nd	Ray Minaudier	St. Claude	MB	Eagle head cane
K5. Bone & Antler					
	1st, 2nd BOS	Ray Minaudier	St. Claude	MB	Moose Antler
	2nd	Ray Minaudier	St. Claude	MB	Hawk head (moose antler)
	3rd	Leo Heyens	Kenora	ON	1/2 size Bald Eagle head/antler
K7. Pyrography					
	1st	Larry Okolita	Beausejour	MB	Moose on pine pyrography
L: Reptiles, Amphibians					
L2. Reptiles & Amphibians, Realsitic					
	1st, 3rd BOS	David Koss	East St Paul	MB	Rattlesnake on skull
P: Exhibition Category					
P1. Wood Turnings & Carved Vessels					
	1st	Larry Okolita	Beausejour	MB	Large Leaf (fruit bowl)
Q: Original Carvings					
Q2. Traditional					
	1st	Larry Okolita	Beausejour	MB	Large Ladle
Q3. Miscellaneous					
	1st	David Koss	East St Paul	MB	Mexican Spurs
W: Natural Finish Fish					
W1. Natural Finish Fish - Realistic					
	1st	Ray Minaudier	St. Claude	MB	Trout maple burl
W2. Natural Finish Fish - Stylized					
	1st	Ray Minaudier	St. Claude	MB	Trout - Basswood/maple
X: Fish Decoys					
X3. Realistic fish decoys					
	1st, 1st BOS	Ben Huener	Roseau	MN	Brook Trout
X4. Working fish decoys					
	1st	Don Young	Winnipeg	MB	Northern Pike
	2nd	Don Young	Winnipeg	MB	Stainglass pike
Y: Decorative Fish					
Y5. Decorative Salmonids					
	1st, 3rd BOS	Don Young	Winnipeg	MB	Brown Trout
Y6. Decorative Warmwater Gamefish					
	1st, 2nd BOS	David Koss	East St Paul	MB	Goldeye
	2nd	Marc Hebert	Ile de Chenes	MB	Walleye single
	3rd	Marc Hebert	Ile de Chenes	MB	Double Walleye
Y7. Decorative Tropical Fish					
	1st	Wayne Soder	Ste Anne	MB	Tropical Fish
Junior					
N: Special Competitions					
N1. Junior					
	1st	Rhys Puhmann			Green Sea Turtle
	2nd	Charly Danell			Forest Scene Pyrography
	3rd	Kasey Cope	Winnipeg	MB	Manta Ray
	HM	Charly Danell			Bird Pyrography
	HM	Austin Cowtan			Golden Plover
	HM	Liam Campbell	Winnipeg	MB	My Dog Roxy - secret treasure Box
	HM	Grayson Magne	Ile Des Chenes	MB	Wood Spirit
N3. Junior Ages Silhouette 12 - 15					
	1st	Grayson Magne	Ile Des Chenes	MB	Red Head Silhouette
N4. Junior Silhouette 11 and under					
	1st	Spencer Vecherya			Redhead Silhouette