

Show Chairman's Report - 2024

The 2024 Show was another success! Everything ran well – THANK YOU to everyone who helped out with the show. About half the club membership turned out on Friday and Saturday to help set up and run the show - it could not happen without all the volunteers who give up their time on Friday and Saturday!

There were a total of 150 entries, which is almost the same as last year. As usual, the quality and variety of entries was impressive. The Special Division of Bottle Stopper Carvings had 22 inventive entries and was well received by visitors. Congratulations to all winners!

Public attendance was more than the average of the previous two shows based on the 205 "Peoples' Choice" ballots cast.

Thanks to our Membership Table volunteers, the club gained 7 new memberships at the show.

Thank you to all the demonstrators and the other clubs in attendance. Speaking with the carvers is a highlight for many of the people who attend.

A special thank you to the judges who, as usual did a great job.

Finally, thank you to everyone who donated prizes for the raffle. There were some exceptionally nice items.

Best in Class Winners (Best in Class winners are *encouraged* to move up to the next higher class):

Novice, Bird	Marion Warchol– Blue Jay
Novice, General	Marion Warchol - Leprechaun
Intermediate, Bird	Susie Nettleton – Steller's Jay
Intermediate, General	Steve Witherow – Hawksbill Turtle
Advanced, Bird	Al Cretney – Purple Honeycreeper – Best in Show Bird
Advanced, General	James Butlin – Bout A Tank – Best in Show General & People's Choice
Working Decoy	Andy Hildreth – Ruddy Duck, tail up
Bottle Stopper	Gayle Schneider – Gnome Home

	Novice	Intermediate	Advanced	Working Decoys	Special
Bird	10	12	21		
General	18	23	36		
Other				8	22
Total	28	35	57	8	22
Grand Total					150 All Entries

Number of members entering items for competition: 27.

Save the date for next year's show: Saturday April 5, 2025

Cheers,
John Currie