

2026 Chesapeake Challenge Competition Winners

SHOOTIN' STOOL (Floaters)

**Best in Show – Merganser by
Mark Strohman**

Second in Show – Gull by Aaron Wallace

**Third in Show- Merganser by
Rob Oliver**

MARSH/PUDDLE DUCKS

Best in Category

1st - Black Duck by Aaron Wallace 2nd - Wood Duck by Donnie Satchell 3rd – Green Wing by William Ott

Black Duck

1st – Aaron Wallace
2nd – Rich Smoker
3rd – Gary Doviak
H.M.- Rich Smoker
H.M. – Sharon Braun

Green-winged Teal

1st – Mark Strohman
2nd – William Ott
3rd – Jeff Riebling
H.M.- Rob Oliver

Blue-winged Teal

1st – Jeff Riebling

Mallard

1st – Capt Glenn Costa
2nd – Capt Glenn Costa
3rd – Jeff Riebling
H.M.- Michael Mogart

Wood Duck

1st – Donnie Satchell
2nd – Michael Mogart
3rd – Jeff Riebling

Pintail

1st – Jason Levy
2nd – Zach Boslau
3rd – Jeff Riebling
H.M.- Jason Levy

Wigeon

1st – William Ott
2nd – Rob Oliver
3rd – Rob Oliver
H.M.- William Ott

Eurasian Wigeon

1st – Gary Doviak

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DIVING DUCKS

Best in Category

1st – Merganser by Mark Strohman 2nd – Merganser by Rob Oliver 3rd – Ruddy by Mark Strohman

Bufflehead

1st – William Ott
2nd – Chris Pusey
3rd – Jesse Downey Sr
H.M.- Jesse Downey Sr

Hooded Merganser

1st – David Farrow
2nd – Jason Levy
3rd – Rob Oliver
H.M.- Rob Oliver

Ruddy Duck

1st – Mark Strohman
2nd – Wade Johnson
3rd – Zachary Doviak
H.M.- Wade Johnson

Canvasback

1st – Jesse Downey Sr
2nd – Jesse Downey Sr
3rd – Gary Doviak
H.M.- Mark Strohman

Scaup

1st – Jordyn Doviak
2nd – Clive Vella

Common Merganser

1st – Mark Strohman
2nd – Rob Oliver

Scoter

1st – Johnathan Grove
2nd – Raymond Paoletti

Ring-necked Duck

1st – Jeff Riebling

Redhead

1st – Jesse Downey Sr
2nd – Jesse Downey Sr
3rd – Jeff Riebling

Barrows Goldeneye

1st – Michael Braden
2nd – Johnathan Grove
3rd –
H.M. – Jeff Riebling

Common Goldeneye

1st – Gary Doviak
2nd – Michael Braden
3rd – Michael Braden
H.M. – Johnathan Grove

Longtail Duck

1st – Mark Strohman
2nd – Michael Mogart
3rd – Jesse Downey Sr

Eider

1st – Wade Johnson

Harlequin

1st – Mark Strohman
2nd – Wade Johnson

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GEESE & CONFIDENCE

Best in Category

1st – Gull by Aaron Wallace

2nd – Tree Duck by Alan Humes

3rd – Brant by Gary Doviak

Brant

1st – Gary Doviak

2nd – Raymond Paoletti

3rd – Keith Brimmer

Geese

1st – Clive Vella

Confidence & All Other - Gull

1st – Aaron Wallace

Confidence & All Other – Tree Duck

1st – Alan Humes

YOUTH DIVISION

BEST IN SHOW

1st – Ruddy by Jonny Dykes

2nd – Scaup by Jordyn Doviak

3rd – Ruddy by Zachary Doviak

Floating

1st – Scaup by Jordyn Doviak

2nd – Ruddy by Zachary Doviak

3rd – Shoveler by Jonny Dykes

Non-Floating

1st – Ruddy by Jonny Dykes

2nd – Knot by Jonny Dykes

3rd – Chickadee by Jonny

Dykes

H.M. – Canvasback by Rodney

Vella

H.M.- Woody by Axyl Walls

H.M.- Dove pair by Jonny

Dykes

H.M.- Widget by Jonny Dykes

H.M.- Ruddy by Jonny Dykes

WOODPECKERS

1st – John Day

2nd – Tom Matus

3rd – Donnie Satchell

H.M. – Clive Vella

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CONTEMPORARY ANTIQUE – WOOD DUCK

1st – Lenny Maiorano

2nd – Mark Finisecy

3rd – Mark Finisecy

H.M. – Wade Johnson

SHOREBIRDS

Best in Category

1st – Rich Smoker

2nd – Sharon Mears

3rd – Donnie Satchell

Avocet, Stilt, Oyster Catcher

1st – Michael Mogart

Plover

1st – Rich Smoker

Yellowlegs/Willet

1st – Sharon Mears

2nd – William Ott

3rd – Truman Mears

Turnstones, Dowitcher, Knots

1st – Michael Mogart

2nd – Clive Vella

All Others

1st – Donnie Satchell

2nd – Donnie Satchell

OTHER WILDFOWL

Best in Category

1st – Mark Finisecy

2nd – Michael Mogart

3rd – Sharon Mears

H.M. – Clive Vella

Doves

1st – Clive Vella

Ducks, Geese, Confidence

1st – Sharon Mears

Egrets, Herons

1st – Mark Finisecy

2nd – George Benjamin

Misc.

1st – Michael Mogart