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NORCAL Invitational Chainsaw Carving Championship 15 strong in 2022



2022 Champion Carving – Constantine Morari – photo provided by Jay Martin

**YREKA** – Mother's Day Weekend brought some of the best chainsaw carvers in the world to the Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds for the NORCAL Invitational. 15 carvers showed up and braved the spring weather to create masterpieces for the 2022 event.

Through the rain, sleet, snow, wind and sun the carvers did not disappoint and the competition was intense as the contestants sculpted their logs into art.

A new first-time champion was crowned in 2022, Constantine Morari from Sacramento carved two red foxes and two pheasants taking flight to win the show. Constantine, a native of Moldova, began carving at the NORCAL Invitational four years ago and it is fitting that he won his first championship at our show. Mitch Hokanson, of Redding carved two bears, an eagle and an owl to claim second place, perennial favorite Mark Colp, Lakeport CA was third with a fabulous Eagle in her nest with two eaglets and Chris Foltz, North Bend Oregon was fourth with a giant rooster that will be residing at the fairgrounds. Morari was also the people's choice winner for 2022 and claimed the Shasta Valley Chainsaw – Stihl saw as the winner. The quick carve champion for 2022 was Mark Colp and he took home the chainsaw supplied by G&G Ace Hardware.

The 2022 Siskiyou Golden Fair "RED, WHITE & BLUE in '22" will run August 10-14 in Yreka.