

2010 Manitoba Envirothon Final Report



2010 Manitoba Envirothon Winning Team
Northwest Soil Management Association
(Swan Valley Regional Secondary School)

Executive Summary

For the past fourteen years the Manitoba Forestry Association, along with its partners and funders, has been the proud host of the Manitoba Envirothon. A total of forty-three schools registered for the Manitoba Envirothon in 2010. Most of these teams participated in one of the three pilot Regional Envirothon Competitions. Twenty-five of the teams competed in the provincial competition held in Brandon and Spruce Woods Provincial Park. Teams were competition for the chance to represent Manitoba at the 2010 Canon Envirothon in Fresno, California.

The theme for 2010 of *protection of groundwater* gave the students an opportunity to explore how human activities affect the quality and quantity of groundwater.

For the first time ever, three successful Regional Envirothon Competitions were held in 2010. The Manitoba Forestry Association partnered with the following regional host organizations: Pembina Valley and LaSalle Redboine Conservation Districts, Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre, and University College of the North.

The Manitoba Envirothon took place in Brandon and Spruce Woods Provincial Park from May 27-29, 2010. The teams were housed and fed at Brandon University. After an evening of creative, ice-breaking team introductions the students went to sleep in preparation for a full-day of challenging questions on the field test. The field test took place along two trails in Spruce Woods Provincial Park. One trail was set-up near the Park Visitor Centre and the second trail was located in the campground and by the beach. Given the large number of teams participating we decided to have fewer stops on each trail but two teams per stop. This format was the same as last year but there were still a few concerns about overhearing answers and seeing the test papers of the other team.

Following the field test, teams were given an opportunity to hear a groundwater presentation from David Toop, Manitoba Water Stewardship. After the presentation, teams held an energetic trading session before heading to bed for another night's sleep. The following day teams ate breakfast in the dark (as the power was out at Brandon University) and moved to Assiniboine Community College to prepare and deliver their oral presentations which focused on developing a groundwater strategy for the Assiniboine Delta Aquifer.

After the scores from the field test and oral competition were tallied the winning team was Northwest Soil Management Association from Swan Valley.

The 2011 Envirothon theme is *fresh and salt water estuaries*. The Steering Committee is still looking into potential sites for the 2011 events. Possible sites include Pinawa and Gimli. Gimli would be a new site for the Manitoba

Envirothon; it offers unique opportunities for the competition because of its proximity to Lake Winnipeg. We will also be adding three new locations for the Manitoba Regional Envirothon for a total of six events in 2011.

We have said it before and we will say it again- the success of the Envirothon program is largely due to the commitment, passion, and endless energy of our numerous volunteers, partner organizations, and funders. We look forward to continuing and strengthening our relationships with these partners in environmental education.

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1. 2010 Summary of Winning Teams

1.1. Team Placement

In addition to awarding the top four teams, we also award “runner-up” prizes to teams who demonstrated excellence in a particular discipline. These teams did not necessarily have the highest score but they likely had the second or third highest score. This system for awarding prizes lets us recognize more teams than just the top four teams, who in many cases had the highest scores in the disciplines. The ‘excellence in’ and top placing teams this year included:

AWARD	TEAM
First Place	Swan Valley Regional Secondary School Northwest Soil Management Association
Second Place	Vincent Massey Collegiate
Third Place	Fort Richmond Collegiate
Excellence in...	TEAM
Orals	Grant Park High School - GP12
Aquatic Ecology	Gimli High School
Forestry	Fairholme School
Soils and Land Use	Swan Valley Regional Secondary School Swan Lake Watershed Conservation District
Wildlife	Grant Park High School - GP 11
Theme - Groundwater	Kelvin High School - Senior Team
AWARD	TEAM
Top Rookie (tied)	Carman Collegiate
Top Rookie (tied)	Oak Park High School



1st Place Team

For the second year in a row, the team from Northwest Soil Management Association in Swan Valley, Manitoba won the Manitoba Envirothon competition.

Team members Eddie Shao, Breanna Anderson, Matthew Forbes, Nyla Burnside, and Teagan Markin. were assisted in their efforts by advisors Alex Verbo and Shawn Stankewich.



2nd Place Team

The team from Vincent Massey Collegiate in Winnipeg won second place. The team members are Jemma Harrison, Kieran Hendrickson-Gracie, Kevin Bairos-Novak, Kate Cawker and Spencer Nelson. Advisors are Barbara Fuller and Aimee Yorke.



3rd Place Team

Third place went to the team from Fort Richmond Collegiate in Winnipeg. Kathleen Crang and Sukhbir Sandhu coached this team. Team members are Ryan Murphy, Rebecca Kunzman, Ritika Khatkar, Lillian Lau and Kate Gong.



Excellence in Orals

Excellence in Orals went to the Grade 12 team from Grant Park High School. Team members include Jeff Zhang, Danielle Marion, Rebecca Borchert, Katherine Ballard and Evan Marantz. Advisors: Mike Patenaude, Ali Almaleki and Madeleine Roger.



Team introductions are always creative and often hilarious! Teams tell us that socializing and meeting other students from across the province is one of their favourite things about Envirothon.



2. New for 2010

Based on student, advisor and volunteer evaluations and the initiatives of the steering committee and staff at the Manitoba Forestry Association, we make changes to the Envirothon each year. Our focus is to create a program that helps students excel in their understanding of the natural world and its connections to our economy, our health, and our culture. We also want to offer an enjoyable and safe experience for everyone involved. In 2010 we had one major new initiative, namely the introduction of Regional competitions.

2.1.1. Regional Envirothon Competitions

To accommodate the expansion of the Manitoba Envirothon, a Regional format was developed. In 2010, three pilot Regional Envirothon Competitions were held throughout the province.

In the south, Pembina Valley and La Salle Redboine Conservation Districts partnered with MFA and hosted a one-day Regional Envirothon Competition on May 5 in Clearwater. Eleven teams participated in this pilot regional. Teams were given the orals question in advance of the competition; the teams prepared a presentation and poster ahead of time. On the day of the competition teams received orals and field test training in the morning; in the afternoon teams completed the field test and presented their oral presentation to a panel of judges at one stop along the field test trail. The Harvest Moon Society provided scrumptious meals made with local ingredients. Participating schools include:

Fairholme School, Portage la Prairie
Carman Collegiate, Carman
Maple Grove Colony School, Lauder
Pilot Mound School, Pilot Mound
Elm River and Poplar Point School, Newton Siding
Nellie McClung Collegiate, Team #1, Manitou
Nellie McClung Collegiate, Team #2, Manitou
Shamrock School, Baldur
Westwood Collegiate, Winnipeg
Oak River Colony School, Oak River
Baker Colony School, MacGregor



A number of local organization and Pembina Valley residents helped out with the event, volunteers included:

Cliff Greenfield, Pembina Valley Conservation District
Lexine LeBlanc, Pembina Valley Conservation District
Laura Greenfield, Pembina Valley Conservation District
Colby Descender, Pembina Valley Conservation District
Kelsey Zacharias, Pembina Valley Conservation District
Josh Sheldon, Pembina Valley Conservation District
Cole Dobson, Pembina Valley Conservation District and MAFRI
Justin Reid, La Salle-Redboine Conservation District
Tyler Griffith, La Salle-Redboine Conservation District
Sherri Checkowski, La Salle-Redboine Conservation District
Kent Lewarne, Prairie Spirit School Division
Jody Parsonage, Prairie Spirit School Division
Lynda Matchullis, Prairie Spirit School Division
Hitesh Ravel, Prairie Spirit School Division
Dan Matchullis, Student
Erin Thorliefson, Student
Nick Pharaoh, A Rocha Centre
Susan Pharaoh, A Rocha Centre
Larry Danielson, A Rocha Centre
Myra Danielson, A Rocha Centre
Valerie Goosen, A Rocha Centre
Don Bergen, A Rocha Centre
Jonathon Wiens, Water Stewardship
Laureen Janusz, Water Stewardship
Kelly Stock, MSTW Planning District
Maria Romiti, MSTW Planning District
Rebecca McKay, Manitoba Conservation Forestry Branch
Brenda Robinson, Manitoba Conservation Forestry Branch
Glenn Peterson, Manitoba Conservation Forestry Branch
Gil Godard, Manitoba Hydro
Bill Kraayeveld, volunteer Manitoba Forestry Association
Irene Kraayeveld, volunteer Manitoba Forestry Association
Walter Tokar, Volunteer Manitoba Forestry Association
Rejean Picard, Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives
Kelly Bell, MAFRI
Stan McFarlane, PFRA
Alexis Knispel, University of Manitoba and Harvest Moon Society
Maureen McPhail, Harvest Moon Society
Haley Gardiner, Harvest Moon Society
Jolene Gardiner, Harvest Moon Society
Jackie Johnson, Harvest Moon Society
Robert Guilford, Harvest Moon Society
Roy McLaren
Women's Institute, Clearwater Manitoba



The urban Regional Envirothon Competition was held at Oak Hammock Marsh. Twenty-one teams participated in the morning training and afternoon field test. This time, teams were given ten minutes to prepare a short oral presentation and delivered their presentation at the next stop along the trail test. Teams brought their own lunches for this event. Participating teams included:

- Gimli High School, Senior Team, Gimli
- Gimli High School, Team #2, Gimli
- Gimli High School, Team #3, Gimli
- Gimli High School, Team #4, Gimli
- Grant Park High School, Team #1, Winnipeg
- Grant Park High School, Team #2, Winnipeg
- Grant Park High School, Team #3, Winnipeg
- Swan Valley Regional Secondary School, Team #1, Swan River
- Swan Valley Regional Secondary School, Team #2, Swan River
- Lord Selkirk Regional Comprehensive Secondary School, Team #1, Selkirk
- Lord Selkirk Regional Comprehensive Secondary School, Team #2, Selkirk
- Vincent Massey, Team #1, Winnipeg
- Vincent Massey, Team #2, Winnipeg
- Oak Park High School, Winnipeg
- St. Boniface Diocesan High School, Team #1, Winnipeg
- St. Boniface Diocesan High School, Team #2, Winnipeg
- Kelvin High School, Team #1, Winnipeg
- Kelvin High School, Team #2, Winnipeg
- Collège Jeanne-Sauvé, Winnipeg
- Fort Richmond Collegiate, Winnipeg
- Shaftesbury High School, Winnipeg

Individuals and organizations that assisted in the development and delivery of the event included:

- Nathalie Bays, Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre
- Paula Grief, Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre
- Dusty Molinski, Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre
- Abigail Martens, Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre
- Tabitha Martens, Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre
- Rebecca McKay, Manitoba Conservation Forestry Branch
- Brenda Robinson, Manitoba Conservation Forestry Branch
- Glenn Peterson, Manitoba Conservation Forestry Branch
- Gil Godard, Manitoba Hydro
- Bill Kraayeveld, volunteer Manitoba Forestry Association
- Irene Kraayeveld, volunteer Manitoba Forestry Association
- Walter Tokar, Volunteer Manitoba Forestry Association
- Stan McFarlane, PFRA
- John Shearer

In the North, the Manitoba Forestry Association hired Jacqueline Moneith as Northern Coordinator to organize the event held in The Pas on May 13-14. The event was scheduled to be held at the University College of the North, however construction at the University required us to change the venue. The competition was moved to Club 53 and the Sam Waller Museum. Six teams participated in the event. As this was the pilot year for regionals our goal was

to make students as comfortable with the Envirothon competition as possible, thus the Northern Regional Envirothon was promoted as a non-study event. Students received their training during the first day of the event; students were also presented with the orals question and given time to prepare their presentation with their advisor. The second day of the event consisted of a field test in the morning and oral presentation in the afternoon. Breakfast and lunch were provided for the students at the event.

Participating schools included:

Helen Betty Osborne Ininiw Education Resource Centre, Team #1, Norway House
Helen Betty Osborne Ininiw Education Resource Centre, Team #2, Norway House
R.D. Parker Collegiate, Team #1, Thompson
R.D. Parker Collegiate, Team #2, Thompson
Cormorant Lake School, Team #1, Cormorant
Cormorant Lake School, Team #2, Cormorant



We would like to thank all the volunteers who helped out for the event, the volunteers were remarkable and many helped out with all components of the competition including training, trail monitors, trail guides, and orals judges.

Volunteers and organizations included:

Gil Godard, Manitoba Hydro
Kathryn McNaughton, University College of the North
Avery Ascher, University College of the North
Lawrence Gaudry, University College of the North
Darryl Langlois, University College of the North
Will Trowell, University College of the North
Shawn McMahon, University College of the North
Marilyn Meyer, University College of the North
Darryl Langlois, University College of the North
David Raitt, Sam Waller Museum
Shawn Sexsmith, Kelsey Conservation District
Heather Perchaluk, Kelsey Conservation District
Judy Mayer, Manitoba Metis Federation
Troy Werstroh, Manitoba Conservation Forestry Branch
Chris Smith, Ducks Unlimited
Shaun Greer, Ducks Unlimited
Paul Chapman, Tolko
Fiona Donald
Club 53



2.1.2. Scholarships from ACC

2010 marked the first year that scholarships were given to the winning teams. Assiniboine Community College generously donated the following scholarships:

First place: \$750 per team member

Second place: \$500 per team member

Third place: \$250 per team member

All Envirothon participants: application fee rebate (\$50) upon acceptance and enrollment at the College.

We would like to thank ACC for their commitment to the Manitoba Envirothon.

3. Steering Committee - update

Much of the success of the Manitoba Envirothon is attributed to the high level of commitment and enthusiasm that our Steering Committee volunteers give to the program each year. A number of our volunteers have been with the program since its inception in 1996. Each of our committee members takes the lead of a sub-committee or participates on one of the sub-committees. The Steering Committee met monthly from September 2009 to May 2010. A wrap-up meeting was held in late June to debrief the event and to begin planning for 2011.

2010 Steering Committee Members:

Jim Potton	Retired	Co-Chair
Glenn Peterson	Manitoba Conservation-Forestry Branch	Co-Chair
Brenda Robinson	Manitoba Conservation-Forestry Branch	Volunteer Committee
Michael Cavers	Resident of Pinawa	Logistics
Gil Godard	Manitoba Hydro	Logistics Co-Chair
Brendan Carruthers	Retired	Logistics Co-Chair
Rebecca McKay	Manitoba Conservation-Forestry Branch	Test Writing Co-Chair
Laureen Janusz	Manitoba Water Stewardship	Test Writing Committee
David Hay	Manitoba Water Stewardship	Test Writing Committee
Christine Tymchak	Manitoba Conservation-Wildlife Branch	Test Writing Committee
Jennifer Lidgett	Red River College	GIS/GPS Activities
Cathy Shaluk	Nature Conservancy of Canada	Workshop Committee, Test Writing Committee, Middle Years
John Sinclair	University of Manitoba	Orals Committee Co-Chair
Bob Austman	Manitoba Model Forest	Orals Committee Co-Chair
Paula Grief	Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre	Regional Envirothon Host Rep
Nathalie Bays	Oak Hammock Marsh	Regional Envirothon Host

	Interpretive Centre	Rep
Allen Tyrchniewicz	Tyrchniewicz Consulting	GIS/GPS Activities
Byrnes Benoit	Spectra Productions	Media & Communications
Scott Gray	Zoological Society of Manitoba	Test Writing Committee
Andrea Swain	Manitoba Forestry Association	Regional Co-Chair
Cliff Greenfield	Pembina Valley Conservation District	Regional Co-Chair
Jacqueline Monteith	Manitoba Forestry Association	Northern Regional Host Rep
Jeff Cottes	Manitoba Water Stewardship	Orals Committee
Linda Morin	Manitoba Hydro	Regional Committee

In addition to the steering committee there are many other volunteers who write the field test and oral scenario. These activities require a number of site visits each fall and spring to ensure the questions are site specific. They work closely together to write the questions, deliver the field and oral tests at the competition, and mark the test. These volunteers also bring the hands-on equipment and samples used by the teams on the field test.

4. Thank you to Sponsors

Each year the Manitoba Envirothon begins the challenge of securing funding for the program. In addition to approaching long time private industry funders we also approach new organizations who may relate to the current theme or because we are holding the event in their community.

In early 2010, we learned that we were successful in securing a three-year treasury board agreement with six provincial government departments. This funding will go a long way to assisting us in our plans for developing new initiatives that will increase the number of students participating in the program.

In 2008-09, we also secured a five year commitment from Manitoba Hydro. This funding is the core funding needed to implement the Regional Envirothon format, further developing our Northern program, and starting our middle-years program. At the announcement of this funding we awarded Manitoba Hydro with a thank you that recognizes them as a "Legacy Partner" in the Manitoba Envirothon program.

Sponsors were recognized in the event program, on the event t-shirts, and were mentioned at the event itself.

The following organizations provided funding for the 2010 Manitoba Envirothon:

HOST

Manitoba Forestry Association

REGIONAL HOSTS

University College of the North
Pembina Valley Conservation District
LaSalle Redboine Conservation District

Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre

LEGACY SPONSORS

Manitoba Hydro
Government of Manitoba
Education
Conservation
Water Stewardship
Innovation, Energy and Mines
Aboriginal and Northern Affairs
Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives

SUSTAINING SPONSORS

Jiffy Canada Inc
McKenzie Seeds
Manitoba Model Forest Inc

ENCOURAGING SPONSOR

Home Depot

FRIENDS OF ENVIROTHON

Jim and Myrna Potton

The following organizations provided in-kind support for the 2010 Manitoba Envirothon:

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
Aseneskak Casino
Assiniboine Community College
Brandon School Division - Neelin High School
Cormorant Lake School
Ducks Unlimited Canada
Fort Richmond Collegiate
Green Manitoba Eco Solutions
Joro Consultants Inc.
L.G.D. Pinawa
MAFRI
Manitoba Conservation – Forestry
Manitoba Conservation – Wildlife
Manitoba Conservation – Parks
Manitoba Eco-Network
Manitoba Habitat Heritage Corporation
Manitoba Hydro
Manitoba Model Forest
Manitoba Water Stewardship
Manitoba Water Stewardship – Fisheries
Maple Grove Colony School

MMM Group
NDSU - North Dakota Forest Service
North Eastman Health Association
Oak Hammock March Interpretive Centre
Parks Canada
Pembina GO Team – MAFRI
Pinawa Residents
Red River College - Civil Engineering Technology
Scatliff & Miller & Murray Inc.
Sheyenne James RC&D
Spectra Productions
Tyrchniewicz Consulting
Zoological Society of Manitoba, Assiniboine Park

The following organizations provided prizes for the 2010 Manitoba Envirothon:

Canadian Institute of Forestry
Manitoba Wildlife Federation
Assiniboine Community College
The Manitoba Museum
Spectra Productions
Fort Whyte Alive
Ducks Unlimited
Louisiana-Pacific
Marantz & Son
Westoba Credit Union
Spruce Products Limited
North Dakota State Forest Service
Parks Canada

Government of Manitoba:
Conservation
Education
Water Stewardship

5. Competing Schools

During the 2009/2010 school year we attended numerous conferences and events to promote Envirothon. The largest conference was SAG which was held in the fall. In addition to setting up a display, we had 15 teachers attend a workshop where they learned about the Manitoba Forestry Association's programs, including Envirothon.

This additional promotion seems to have paid off as we had a total of 43 teams register for the regional and provincial Envirothon competitions. This is more teams than we have had in any previous year.

Twenty-five of the teams competed at the provincial level. The following schools competed in this year's provincial event:

Fort Richmond Collegiate
Vincent Massey Collegiate
Fairholme School
Westwood Collegiate
Helen Betty Osborne Ininiw Educational Resource Centre
Oak River Colony School
Shaftesbury High School
Nellie McClung Collegiate
Lord Selkirk Regional Comprehensive Secondary School

Swan Valley Regional Secondary School
Grant Park High School
College Sturgeon Heights Collegiate
Gimli High School
Oak Park High School
Kelvin High School
Collège Jeanne-Sauvé
St. Boniface Diocesan High School

6. Envirothon Training

Instead of hosting our traditional Envirothon Workshop, time for training was allocated at the regional and provincial events. Future ideas for Envirothon training include: equipment rental kits, web videos, and one-day workshops throughout the year. The Envirothon Training Committee is working hard to provide different avenues for Envirothon training.

7. 2010 Manitoba Envirothon Competition

Twenty-five teams competed in the 2010 Manitoba Envirothon held in Brandon and Spruce Woods Provincial Park. The theme for 2010 was "protection of groundwater". The teams and volunteers were housed and fed at Brandon University. We had a great experience working with the staff from Brandon University, Spruce Woods Provincial Park and Assiniboine Community College.

On Thursday evening teams used their imaginations and creative spirit to introduce themselves. Teams performed skits, songs, and even interpretive dance to express their personalities and tell us a little about where they came from. Despite risk of embarrassing his two daughters who were participating in the Envirothon this year, Glenn Peterson was our Emcee for the evening. His endless stream of jokes was a hit with the audience!

On Friday, the weather at Spruce Woods Park broke just in time for the field test. There were two trails used for the field test; the Field Test Committee had set-up a trail near the Park Centre and another one near the beach and through the campground. Throughout the planning of the event we had tremendous support from Spruce Woods Provincial Park, the staff delivered tables to the trails, were on hand during the competition and provided us with space to organize and mark the tests.

We continued a 'tradition' from 2008 by providing veteran teachers with an opportunity to participate in the field test as if they were a team of students. The teachers seemed to peer-pressure each other into forming the "Mystery Team" but in the end they had a great time working together on the field test. The feedback from the teachers was positive. They said it gave them a

better understanding of the pressures, time crunches, and fatigue that their students face.



Our "Mystery Team" of advisors had a great time and were good sports as we sprung it on them the evening before the field test.

After the field test students returned to Brandon University for dinner and a presentation on the theme topic from David Toop, Manitoba Water Stewardship. After the presentation, teams had time to socialize with other students during a trading session. The trading session is always a hit with teams as students exchange items representing their school and home town.

On Saturday morning teams woke up to a power outage at Brandon University, luckily they weren't in the dark for long! The teams spent the day at Assiniboine Community College where they were presented with the Orals scenario. Teams had two and a half hours to prepare their response. While the students were preparing for the orals, the teachers participated in a debriefing with members of the field test committee. Members of the committee reported that teachers were generally very positive about the test and the event in general.

The results of the competition were:

- 1st Place Northwest Soil Management Association, Swan Valley Regional Secondary School (Swan River)
- 2nd Place Vincent Massey Collegiate (Winnipeg)
- 3rd Place Fort Richmond Collegiate (Winnipeg)

The team from Northwest Soil Management Association from Swan River, represented Manitoba at the 2010 Canon Envirothon in Fresno, California, August 1-6, 2010. The team work extremely hard in preparation for the North American competition and place 12th overall out of 54 teams! We are extremely proud of the hard work and dedication this team has shown to Envirothon.

7.1. Event Schedule

Thursday, May 27, 2010 - BRANDON UNIVERSITY

4:00pm	Registration – Outside of Dining Hall
5:30pm	Dinner – Dining Hall
7:15pm	Trail Guide (Advisors) Training - Dining Hall
7:30pm	Team Introductions – Dining Hall
11:00pm	Lights out

Friday, May 28, 2010 - SPRUCE WOODS PROVINCIAL PARK

6:30am	Breakfast – BU Dining Hall
7:30am	Depart for Spruce Woods
8:30am	Arrive at Spruce Woods
8:45am	Team Training – near tent
9:30am	Advisors and Team Match-up, snacks
10:30am	TRAIL TEST STARTS
12:30pm	Lunch – tent
2:00pm	TRAIL TEST STARTS
4:00pm	Free time
5:00pm	Dinner – tent
6:00pm	Depart for Brandon University
7:30pm	Oral Presentation – BU Lecture Room
8:00pm	Free time
11:00pm	Lights out

Saturday, May 29, 2010 - ASSINIBOINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

7:30am	Breakfast and check-out – BU Dining Hall
8:30am	Depart for Assiniboine Community College
9:00am	Advisor Test Debriefing – Room 227/229
9:00am	Team Orientation to Oral Presentations – Gym
9:30am	Team Orals Prep – various rooms
NOON	Lunch – ACC Cafeteria (Teams 1-10 eat first)
1:00pm	Preliminary Orals Presentations
2:45pm	Finals Oral Presentations, Awards – Gym
4:45pm	Dinner to go – ACC Cafeteria
5:30pm	Departure – see you next year!

7.2. Thank you to Volunteers

Each year many volunteers commit time and energy to help us make this event a huge success. In the past volunteers have told us that participating in Envirothon is the highlight of their year!





Panel of judges at final oral presentations



Glenn Peterson, event emcee and co-chair of Envirothon Steering Committee



Jim Potton presenting a thank you to Greg Lewis and Steven Hills from Assiniboine Community College



Don Bergen, Trail Monitor for field test

2010 Manitoba Envirothon Volunteers

Austman	Bob
Aytona-Austman	Edna
Baker	Linden
Baker	Rick
Bays	Nathalie
Benoit	Barb
Benoit	Byrnes
Berezanski	Dean
Bergen	Don
Bergen	Joyce
Bertram	Victoria
Betcher	Bob
Boisjoli	Lena
Boiteau	Lise
Brandon	Josh
Cabernel	Danielle
Cavers	Jenefer
Cavers	Michael
Christianson	Linda
Cottes	Jeffery
Dunford	Lyn
Eno	Derek
Fauske	Glenda
Godard	Gil
Hay	David
Hicks	Veronica
Hills	Steven
Hullick	Curtis
Janusz	Laureen
Kaminski	Nicole
Katz - Student	Jessica
Kinden	Amanda
Knispel	Michaela
Kopelow	Sacha
Kotak (Dr.)	Brian
Kraayeveld	Andrea
Kraayeveld	Bill
Kraayeveld	Irene

Lathlin	Brad
Lewis	Greg
Lidgett	Jennifer
Malcolm	Patricia
Maslaniec	Kyla
McDonald	Christina
McFarlane	Stan
McGregor	Keith
McPherson	Linda
Monteith	Jacqueline
Morrow - Student	Paige
Perry	John
Peterson	Glenn
Phillips	Kristen
Pohrebniuk	Patricia
Potton	Jim
Potton	Myrna
Rabe	Nicole
Robinson	Brenda
Robinson	Madelyn
Shearer	John
Sinclair	John
Smith	Murray
Smith	Suzanne
Stanick	Nicole
Swain	Andrea
Swanson	Tim
Tack	Agnes
Tokar	Walter
Toop	David
Tymchak	Christine
Tyrchniewicz	Allen
Van Iderstine	Robyn
Voutier	Robert
Waldner	Johannes
Waldner	Marvin
Waldner	Chris
Wishart	Rick
Wright	Daryl
Tichit	Danielle

7.2.1. Volunteer Evaluations

Recommendations from the volunteer evaluations are can be found in Appendix A.

7.3. Student and Advisor Evaluations

Nineteen of the twenty-five teams and thirty-one teachers completed the evaluation form. A summary of the Envirothon survey can be found in Appendix B.

7.4. Media Coverage

Byrnes Benoit of Spectra Productions provided media releases and photos to Manitoba Media as well as High Roads Communication. We received better than average media coverage this year. In Brandon several media outlets covered the event including CKLQ, CJRB and the Brandon Sun, which also featured video coverage on their website. High Road Communications was provided with pictures and a news release; High Roads secured a pre-event interview with the Fairholm Colony advisor and team on the radio CJRB/Golden West. The Manitoba Envirothon was also featured in the Opasquia Times, Morden Times, Sentinel Courier (Pilot Mound), and Western Canadian (Manitou). Please see Appendix C.

8. Recommendations and plans for 2011

The 2011 Envirothon theme is “fresh and salt water estuaries”. The Manitoba Envirothon Steering Committee is investigating Gimli and Pinawa as potential sites for the competition. The Manitoba Envirothon will take place from May 26-28, 2011. We will also be bringing on 3 or 4 more locations for the regional competitions including sites in the East, South-East, Brandon and Swan Valley. We look forward to increasing the number of students and schools participating in the event through the regional competitions.

9. Financial Statement

Please see Appendix D for the financial statement.