



Call for Presenters

2018 Northeast Wildlife Trackers (NWT) Conference

Dear Fellow Tracker,

The 2018 Northeast Wildlife Trackers Conference Volunteer Planning Committee (Pam Landry, Pat Liddle, Dan Yacobellis, Collin Adkins, Matt O'Mara, Kim Flanzer, Elia DelMolino, and Sophie Mazowita) is requesting presentation/workshop proposals from knowledgeable and enthusiastic wildlife trackers.

We want to hear from you if you have tracking techniques to share, teach tracking to children, use tracking data, contribute to scientific research, have expertise on tracking a particular species, are involved with citizen science tracking projects, know of techniques on making tracking accessible to the public, use current technology for collecting data, use tracking for conservation planning, etc.

The conference (www.northeastwildlifetrackers.org) attracts around 125 attendees with varied backgrounds and tracking experience with whom you would be sharing your tracking knowledge and expertise.

The conference is scheduled for Saturday October 20th at the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries & Wildlife (MassWildlife) Field Headquarters in Westboro. The Saturday format includes a keynote, two feature presenters (~30-45 min), and five-six concurrent workshop sessions per time slot (1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m., 2:35 p.m.-4 p.m., or double session 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.).

We encourage you to embrace the opportunity to take workshop participants outdoors on the adjacent Wayne MacCallum Wildlife Management Area. If you select to include an outdoor portion in your session offering please be advised that there is pheasant hunting on this day, and the wearing of hunter orange (minimum of hunter orange hat) by all outdoor workshop participants will be mandatory. Optional off-site field sessions will take place on Sunday October 21st.

To encourage building a community of trackers, this year we will be offering the option of overnight tenting or bunking at the Prindle Pond Conference Center, with an optional Saturday evening dinner and bonfire, plus informal Sunday morning tracking activities on-site.

We encourage presenters to use the technology in place at MassWildlife. Powerpoints must be compatible with Office 2010 and video must be compatible with windows media player. To ensure presentations will be compatible with the available technology we will be requesting that accepted presentations be forwarded to a drop-box link no later than October 6 to confirm all 'systems work' prior to the conference.

The Northeast Wildlife Trackers has a small pool of funds available to support the travel expenses of presenters and concurrent session leaders journeying to our conference from afar. Please complete the included travel grant request if seeking funds to support your attendance. Any unused funds will be directed towards the development of the conference and the Northeast Wildlife Trackers, a nonprofit dedicated to connecting, educating, and inspiring wildlife trackers in our area.

To submit a proposal please complete the Presenters Form below no later than Tuesday May 1, 2018 and email to pam.landry@state.ma.us or mail to Pam Landry, MassWildlife, 1 Rabbit Hill Road, Westboro, MA 01581. The conference committee will then review proposals.

We thank you in advance for your interest in sharing your knowledge, enthusiasm, & expertise!

If you have any questions please feel free to contact any of the planning committee members:

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Kim Flanzer	pebblepocket@gmail.com – MA
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If you are not able to present, but know of someone who might be interested in submitting a proposal, please forward this request to them.

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Presenters Form
Northeast Wildlife Trackers Conference
Saturday October 20, 2018
<http://northeastwildlifetrackers.org/>

Presenter Name:

Mailing address:

Affiliation:

Email:

Website:

Presenter Bio:

Title of Presentation:

Description of Presentation: (4-5 sentences)

Have you presented on this topic in the past? Yes No (please circle)
If yes, to whom did you present, when & where?

Maximum # of participants preferred:

Indoor, Outdoor, or Both Indoor & Outdoor? (please circle)

Presenter session &/or concurrent workshop session? (please circle)

Audience Level: (please circle) Beginner Intermediate Advanced

Have you attended the Northeast Wildlife Trackers Conference in the past? Yes No

Will you need a table (5' x 18") for an exhibit/display? Y or N Will you be selling books or other products? Y or N Please specify what you will be selling or displaying. There will be a communal table for business cards & flyers!

Interested in leading a Sunday Field Session? Yes No (please circle one)
If yes, do you have a suggested location?

Travel Grant Request

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If requesting a travel grant, please fill out the following:

Traveling from: _____

Amount requested: _____

Additional comments: (optional)

Please complete & submit no later than Tuesday May 1, 2018 to pam.landry@state.ma.us or mail to Pam Landry, MassWildlife, 1 Rabbit Hill Road, Westboro, MA 01581



*Please be reminded that October 20, 2018 is pheasant hunting season. If you will be offering an outdoor session(s) on the management area **the wearing of hunter orange (minimum of hunter orange hat) by all workshop participants will be mandatory.***

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