



2024 CALL FOR PRESENTERS

NORTHEAST WILDLIFE TRACKERS

16TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 18TH TO 20TH, 2024

Dear Tracker,

The Northeast Wildlife Trackers (NWT) are thrilled to announce our 16th Annual Conference, featuring a full weekend format at the Prindle Pond Conference Center in Charlton, Massachusetts. Our goals for this conference are to:

- Cultivate lasting connections
- Offer exceptional field programs and hands-on workshops
- Uplift excellence in application of wildlife tracking skills and
- Foster long-term tracking-centered collaborations

As always, the conference will feature a keynote address, plenary presentations, concurrent sessions, and field opportunities (dirt-time!). NWT warmly welcomes presentation and workshop proposals from passionate and knowledgeable individuals engaged with wildlife tracking, conservation, education, and related fields, whether a student, seasoned professional, educator, or wildlife enthusiast.

Who Should Submit a Proposal?

We want to hear from you if you reach or represent a marginalized community, 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 community science tracking projects, use techniques that make tracking accessible to the public, use current technology for collecting data, or use tracking for conservation planning. We also welcome other related topics of interest.

The Audience

Your audience at the conference will consist of individuals with diverse backgrounds and skill levels, ranging from beginners to experts, all united by their enthusiastic interest in wildlife tracking. Expect to engage with students, hobbyists, and professionals from fields such as conservation, guiding, academic research, and education. Look forward to spending extended quality time with like-minded individuals, building and enriching a more cohesive Northeast wildlife tracking community.

Outdoor Workshops and Facilitating Field Opportunities

Throughout the years, participants have consistently expressed a desire for increased field time. We encourage you to incorporate hands-on outdoor learning experiences during the concurrent sessions, utilizing the expansive 600-acre Prindle Pond property. Additionally, consider leading an on-site mini field session on Saturday or Sunday to further engage participants.

The Sessions

There are a variety of presenter, workshop, and field session times from which you may choose:

Plenary Sessions:

- Friday, Oct 18 8:00-9:00 PM
- Sunday, Oct 20 10:40-11:30 AM
- Sunday, Oct 20 11:40-12:30 PM

Concurrent Sessions: 90 minutes

- Session I: Saturday, Oct 19 1:45-3:15 PM
- Session II: Saturday, Oct 19 3:30-5:00 PM

On-site Facilitated Field Sessions: 80 minutes

- Session I: Saturday, Oct 19 10:20-11:40 AM
- Session II: Sunday, Oct 20 8:40-10:00 AM

The Venue

Prindle Pond Conference Center: Hilltop Facility www.naturesclassroom.org

- 600-acre property with ample forest and field for outdoor activities
- Wifi access available in all meeting rooms
- Meals and lodging included with your registration fee, at a 25% *Presenter Discount*
- Let us know your technology needs for your presentation and we may be able to help

Equitable Access Fund

Northeast Wildlife Trackers believes access to wildlife tracking and the natural world are core to the work of our organization and the birthright of all people. Please visit

www.northeastwildlifetrackers.org/equitable-access-to-nature/

Submitting the Proposal

To submit a proposal, please complete the ***Call for Presenters Form*** no later than **May 15, 2024**. The conference committee will then review proposals. You can download the attached document or complete the online form at: <https://northeastwildlifetrackers.org/call-for-presenters/>

We thank you in advance for your interest in sharing your knowledge, enthusiasm, & expertise. Please share this Call for Presenters with others in the tracking community.

Gratefully,

Planning Team

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