

Georgia Chapter of The Wildlife Society
2018 Annual Meeting
September 6 – 7, 2018
University of Georgia
Tifton Campus Conference Center
Tifton, GA

Thursday, September 6

8:00 – 9:00	Registration		
9:00 – 9:05	Welcome and instructions		
9:05 – 9:20	Opening remarks	Daymond Hughes	GA TWS President
9:20 – 9:40	Combining camera and telemetry data to understand population dynamics of white-tailed deer in South Florida	Lydia Stiffler	University of Georgia
9:40 – 10:00	Working together to understand the scope of bat use of transportation structures in Georgia	Emily Ferrall	GA DNR Wildlife Resources Division
10:00 – 10:20	High-resolution investigation of the abiotic drivers of salamander distribution in Lumpkin County Georgia with notes on sampling techniques	Jasmine Williamson	University of North Georgia
10:20 – 10:40	BREAK		
10:40 – 11:00	Assessment of culverts as roosting habitat for tri-colored bats (<i>Perimyotis subflavus</i>) and disease transmission corridors for <i>Pseudogymnoascus destructans</i> in coastal Georgia	Kelly Lutsch	Kennesaw State University
11:00 – 11:20	Georgia Wildlife Federation Update on the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Act (GOSA)	Mike Worley	Georgia Wildlife Federation
11:20 – 11:40	Upland snake community in restored montane longleaf pine habitats in Sheffield and Paulding Wildlife Management Areas	Miranda Gulsky	Kennesaw State University
11:40 – 12:00	Status and conservation of the peregrine falcon in Georgia	Bob Sargent	GA DNR Wildlife Resources Division
12:00 – 1:30	Lunch		
1:30 – 1:50	Evaluating fine-scale nest site selection preferences of neophyte and remigrant loggerhead sea turtles (<i>Caretta caretta</i>)	Sarah Martin	University of Georgia

1:50 – 2:10	Environmental stochasticity and wildlife management: embracing the change	Robert Horan	GA DNR Wildlife Resources Division
2:10 – 2:30	Fukushima's wildlife: mammalian species in and around the exclusion zone	Phillip Lyons	University of Georgia
2:30 – 3:30	Poster Session		
3:30 – 3:50	The contribution of wetland succession to declines of threatened amphibians in the longleaf pine ecosystem	Angela Burrow	University of Georgia
3:50 – 4:10	Observations on the southeastern pocket gopher from a multi-state project	JT Pynne	University of Georgia
4:10 – 4:30	Prediction and prevention of passerine nest predation in middle Georgia	Tina Smith	Georgia College
4:30 – 4:50	Urban deer research and management on Hilton Head Island, SC	David Henderson	Community Services Associates
4:50 – 5:00	BREAK		
5:00 – 6:00	Business Meeting		
6:00 – 7:00	Social & Awards		
7:00 – 9:00	DINNER – Theron Menken's Smoke House Special		

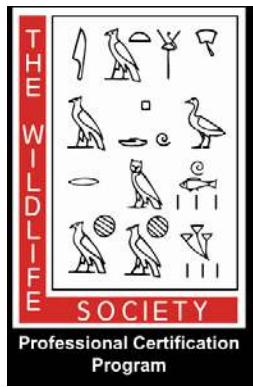
Friday, September 7

8:00 – 8:10	Opening remarks and instructions	Tina Johannsen	GA TWS President-elect
8:10 – 8:30	Georgia Wildlife Resources Division update	Tina Johannsen	GA DNR Wildlife Resources Division
8:30 – 8:50	Orianne Society: groundcover restoration and fire	Jacob Barrett	The Orianne Society
8:50 – 9:10	Georgia Forestry Commission update	Chuck Williams	Georgia Forestry Commission
9:10 – 9:30	Georgia Forestry Association update	Andres Villegas	Georgia Forestry Association
9:30 – 9:50	BREAK		
9:50 – 10:10	Georgia land use and condition	Dan Wallace	Natural Resources Conservation Service
10:10 – 10:30	Gopher Tortoise Initiative update	Matt Elliott	GA DNR Wildlife Resources Division

10:30 – 10:50	GA WRD technician spotlight	Seth Thompson	GA DNR Wildlife Resources Division
10:50 – 11:10	The good, the bad, and the ugly: lessons learned from restoring longleaf and native groundcover on MCLB Albany	Julie Robbins	Marine Corps Logistics Base
BREAK			
11:30 – 11:40	Use of livestock ear tags as an alternative to survey flagging in the presence of cattle during herpetofaunal inventory and research	Thomas Floyd	GA DNR Wildlife Resources Division
11:40 – 12:00	Using a new technique for sampling herpetofauna and small mammals	Kori Ogletree	Georgia College and State University
12:00 – 12:10	Closing remarks	Daymond Hughes	GA TWS President

Poster Presentations

Getting skunked in Conecuh National Forest	Kassandra Arts	University of West Georgia
Prescribed fire effects on snags in the southern Appalachian Mountains.	Michelle Baldwin	University of West Georgia
Evaluating the efficacy of two bait types for small mammal live-trapping	Todd Bennett	University of North Georgia
The influence of prescribed fire on site selection in snakes in the longleaf pine ecosystem	Jennifer Howze	Jones Ecological Research Center
Genetic relatedness of migrating eastern phoebes	Daniel Jones	Georgia College
Evaluating volatile organic compounds for contact-independent antagonism of <i>Pseudogymnoascus destructans</i>	Ashley McDonald	Kennesaw State University
Identifying roadkill hotspots by using a running average	Kori Ogletree	Georgia College
Night and day: temporal partitioning among three mammalian carnivores	Joanne Wasdin & Thalia Young	University of West Georgia
Territory map and prey inventory of loggerhead shrikes in Tift County, Georgia	Miranda Wilkinson	Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College



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