

30th Annual Meeting of the Western Field Ornithologists
Santa Maria, California • 28 September – 1 October 2005



Schedule of Presentations

Enterprise Ballroom, Radisson Santa Maria • *30 September & 1 October 2005*

Poster Presentations

BALLUS, GWEN, MELISSA CADY, AND COLLEEN HANDEL. **The Alaska Landbird Monitoring System: A Broad-scale Monitoring Tool.**

RHODES, CAROLINE, AND MADHUSUDAN KATTI. **Foraging Behavior of Urban Birds: Contrasting Old Neighborhoods with New Developments.**

Friday, 30 September 2005

Morning Workshop

8:30–11:30. LAWS, JOHN M. **Field Sketching: Learning to Sketch and Document Birds in the Field.**

Afternoon Presentations

1:00–1:15. FLOYD, TED, AND JAY WITHGOTT. **Current and Future Trends in Western Field Ornithology.**

1:15–1:30. SULLIVAN, BRIAN L. **eBird—Birding with a Purpose.**

1:30–1:45. CHISHOLM, GRAHAM. **Bird Conservation along the South Fork of the Kern River: Past Successes, Future Challenges.**

1:45–2:00. DEL NEVO, ADRIAN. **Recognizing Individuals and Regional Populations Using Sound Science: Implications for, and Advances in, Conservation Biology.**

2:00–2:15. THORNGATE, NELLIE. **Effects of a Cowbird Removal Program on Riparian Bird Abundance in Central Coastal California.**

2:15–2:30. **Break.**

2:30–2:45. MCCALLUM, ARCH. **Vocalizations of Western Flycatchers in Oregon.**

2:45–3:00. PANDOLFINO, EDWARD, AND JAMES HELMERICKS. **Changes in Winter Abundance of the Ruddy Turnstone along the Coast of California.**

3:00–3:15. RYAN, THOMAS P., KEVIN CLARK, LYANN COMRACK, KATHY KEANE, WALLY L. ROSS, AND MICHAEL D. TAYLOR. **The Status of California Least Terns Nesting in a Human-dominated Landscape in Marina del Rey, California.**

3:15–3:30. MCGOWAN, GREG, AND MITCH SIEMENS. **Raptor Foraging Habitat: Mitigation Based on Science, Not Just Size.**

3:30–3:45. LINCER, JEFFREY L., JOHN D. BITTNER, AND LESLIE NELSON. **Monitoring HCPs with Raptors.**

3:45–4:00. **Break.**

4:00–4:20. WEHTJE, WALTER. **Recent Developments in Southern California Pelagic Birding.**

4:20–4:40. HOWELL, STEVE N. G. **At-sea Identification of “Black Petrels” (Genus *Procellaria*).**

Evening Panels

7:00–8:15. GALLAGHER, SYLVIA, MODERATOR. **Expert Identification Challenge: Recorded Sounds.**

8:30–9:45. MORLAN, JOSEPH, MODERATOR. **Expert Identification Panel: Mystery Slides.**

Saturday, 1 October 2005

Morning Workshops

8:30–11:30. MCCALLUM, ARCH. **Birding by Ear—Visually!**

8:30–11:30. LAWS, JOHN M. **Field Sketching: Learning to Sketch and Document Birds in the Field.**

Afternoon Presentations and Panels

1:00–1:20. BRADY, CHRISTINE M. **Effects of Habitat Degradation on Raptors Utilizing A Suburban-Wildland Interface.**

1:20–1:40. BOUSMAN, BILL. **Breeding Avifaunal Changes in the San Francisco Bay Area, 1927–2005.**

1:40–2:00. BROWN, MARK. **Possible Hybrid Between Ross’s Goose (*Chen rossii*) and Swan Goose (*Anser cygnoides*) in a Coastal California Urban Park.**

2:00–2:20. HOUSE, DEBBIE. **Membership Limitations of Urban Bird Communities.**

2:20–2:40. VAN DOOREMOLEN, DEBBIE M., AND SETH A. SHANAHAN. **Avian Monitoring at an Urban Demonstration Wetland in Southern Nevada.**

2:40–3:00. **Break.**

3:00–3:20. VANTASSELL, COURT C., †KELLY J. SORENSON, †JOSEPH L. BURNETT, AND †JAMES PETERSON. **The Pinnacles National Monument California Condor Project: Reintroducing *Gymnogyps californianus* to a Landscape Dominated by Private Land.**

3:20–3:40. UNITT, PHILIP. **Effects on Birds of the 2002–2003 Wildfires in San Diego County.**

3:40–4:40. HEINDEL, MATT. **The California Bird Records Committee: Recent and Future Directions.**

Evening Keynote Address

7:00–8:00. SCHRAM, BRAD. **Birding Seasons on the Central Coast.**