

Scientific Program

Symposia and Workshop

Symposium: Status and Conservation Short-eared Owls and Northern Harriers

This symposium will be a half-day of papers on these grasslands raptors on Friday, Sept 26. Persons interested in contributing should contact and submit their abstracts to Geoff Holroyd. Please follow all abstract guidelines as described in this call for papers. For more information, contact:

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Symposium: Raptors in Education

This symposium will be a full day of papers from educators on Saturday, Sept 27. Scholarships will be available for teachers. Persons interested in contributing should contact and submit their abstracts to Sid Price. Please follow all abstract guidelines as described in this call for papers. For more information, contact:

Sid Price, Avian Ambassadors, <http://www.avianambassadors.com>

Email: sidprice@avianambassadors.com

Workshop: New book *Raptor Research and Management Techniques*

Presented by chapter authors of the 2007 book edited by D.M. Bird and K.L. Bildstein; co-sponsored by RRF. A one-day workshop is planned for Saturday, September 27. Chapter authors who agreed to present at the Workshop should submit their abstracts to Dan Varland (daniel.varland@rayonier.com). Please follow all abstract guidelines as described in this call for papers.



Paper Sessions

Papers will be organized based on abstract contents. Oral presentations will be limited to 20 minutes including questions. Papers must be given in English. Electronic presentations will be in Powerpoint® format, but equipment to show 2" x 2" 35-mm slides will be available. Please be sure to note your presentation format with the cover letter information.

Poster Session

Posters will be mounted on 3' x 4' panels (vertical x horizontal), and materials for hanging posters will be available. All posters must be prepared in English. Poster presenters are required to attend their poster during the Thursday evening poster session on September 24, 2008. Poster presenters should be prepared to set-up their poster on Thursday afternoon between 4:15 and 6 p.m.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Papers on any aspect of raptor biology, ecology, research techniques, and conservation or management are invited. The deadline for receipt of abstracts is **June 10, 2008**. Please include a properly formatted abstract and all information requested in the cover letter, or your abstract may not be accepted. You may submit your abstract by email (strongly preferred) or by postal service. Because of the poor quality of some fax transmissions, we cannot accept abstracts submitted by fax.

Abstract submission by e-mail:

- Send all abstracts to: jrr@astate.edu
- In the body of the email, include all information requested in the cover letter AND the properly formatted abstract (in English)
- Attach a second copy of your abstract in PC-compatible MS Word 2007 (or older), or Word Perfect 9.0 (or older).
- If you do not receive an email notification confirming receipt of your abstract within 15 days, please inquire to be sure your submission was received.

Abstract submission by mail:

- Send all abstracts to Jim Bednarz, Department of Biological Sciences, P.O. Box 599, Arkansas State University, State University, AR 72467 USA.
- Include a typed sheet with all information requested in the cover letter, and one (1) printed copy of the properly formatted abstract (in English).
- One (1) CD containing a file of the abstract: an MS Word 2007 (or older version) or Word Perfect 9.0 file.
- Please enclose a stamped, self-addressed post card or envelope if you wish to be notified of the receipt of your abstract by mail.

Sample Abstract:

Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*) Use of Coastal Areas as Determined by Satellite Telemetry.

*DAVID L. HAWKS (dhawks@asu.edu) and ROBERT E. FALCO, School of Renewable Natural Resources, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ U.S.A. JANE R. STRIGES, Canadian Wildlife Service, Edmonton, AB, Canada. JOSE AQUILA ASIO, Centro de Investigaciones Biologicas, La Paz, Mexico.

Do not type your abstract in a box, but read the following information carefully and adhere to the formatting requirements exactly. Abstracts should summarize findings, not methods. Type the title first, using upper and lower case letters as shown above. After the title, type the first author's name followed by his/her agency or institutional affiliation, city, state or province, and country. Provide one e-mail address for the primary contact person associated with presentation (an e-mail address should be provided for either the primary or presenting author; please only provide one e-mail address). Use all capital letters for all author names. Place a double asterisk before names of students eligible for the Andersen Award; otherwise, precede the presenting author's name with a single asterisk. Next type the body of your abstract, which should be one paragraph of no more than 300 words, single-spaced throughout. Leave single blank lines between the title, authors' names and institutional affiliation information, and body of the abstract as shown above. Do not indent the first line of text. Use two spaces between all sentences. After the first use of the common name of each species mentioned, write the scientific name in italics and parentheses. If scientific names are included in the title, do not repeat in the body of the abstract. Use italic type only for scientific names. Capitalize first letters of common names of all birds. Spell out whole numbers <10 unless accompanied by a unit (e.g., 3 cm or 1%). Use metric units only. Use the following abbreviations without spelling them out: hr, min, sec, yr, mo, wk, d, km, cm, mm. Use continental dating (e.g., 10 July 1975) and the 24-hr clock (e.g., 1300 H). If your abstract includes non-standard characters (e.g., Greek letters), please add a note to this effect before the title of your abstract. In word-processor versions of your abstract, please use a Times New Roman, proportional spaced, 11 pt font.

Cover Letter Information:

Name of corresponding

Author: _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State or Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Country: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

Abstract title: _____

Name of presenting author: _____

Presentation format: oral poster

If your preferred presentation format is not available, do you authorize a switch?

yes no

Equipment required: digital projector

35 mm slide projector

other _____

Do you wish to compete for the William C. Anderson Award for the best student presentation?

yes, oral yes, poster no

Other special needs (e.g., scheduling preferences): _____

If your paper is part of a special symposium or workshop or session please note below:

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