



HMANA 2024 Conference Schedule

(Shuttles to hawk watch will run 9am – 4pm, Friday and Saturday)

Thursday, Nov 7th

Vendor Set-up

Registration and Check-in Open

Sax-Zim Field Trip (pre-registration needed) led by Friends of Sax-Zim Bog Head Naturalist Clinton Dexter-Nienhaus

All day - Hawk-watching at Hawk Ridge (van rides from hotel)

1:00 – 4:00 pm HMANA Board Meeting (1:30-3pm) / HMANA member meeting (3-4pm)- All are welcome!

6:30 – 9 pm Conference Welcome Mixer – Vendors and Sponsor tables open

7- 10 pm Saw-whet Owl Banding (two groups, 7:00-8:20 and 8:30-9:50pm, pre-registration req.)

Friday, Nov 8th: Celebrating the past

8:30 am Welcome and Announcements

9:00 am Why we HawkWatch? A video from the sites. Josh Haas and others.

Keynote Address

9:30 am **Clay Sutton. NORTHWEST WINDS - Shifting Winds: Winds of Change or Winds of Hope?**

10:30 am Break

Invited Talks: Celebrating 50 Years of Migration Discovery and Hawkwatching

10:45 am Dr Laurie Goodrich, The First Hawkwatch: Hawk Mountain and HMANA's Roots

11:30 am Gerry Niemi, 52 Years and Counting! Hawk Ridge Raptor Research and Education.

12:15 pm Steve Hoffman, 45 Years of Counting Migrating Raptors in Western North America: What Have We Learned?

12:45 to 2:00 pm Lunch on your own (pre-ordered box lunches available)

2:00 pm Dave Oleyar, Assessing Population Status of North American Diurnal Raptors Using Migration and Winter Counts

2:45 pm Rob Domenech, Telemetry Studies of Golden Eagle Migration in West

3:30 pm David Barber, Movement Ecology of Turkey Vultures in North America

4:15 pm Steve Kolbe, Using Common Nighthawk Migration Counts to Monitor Global Population Trends

5:00 pm Dinner on your own

7:00 pm HMANA Awards followed by Poster Session and Mixer in Vendor – Sponsor room

Snacks provided – Cash bar, Silent Auction Opens (will close at the end of Saturday evening banquet)

7- 10 pm Owl Banding Field Trips (two groups, (7:00-8:20pm and 8:30-9:50pm) 1.5hrs, pre-registration req.)

Saturday, Nov 9th: Soaring into the Future

ALL SATURDAY PROGRAMS OFFERED VIRTUALLY

Silent Auction Open (all day - will close at the end of Saturday banquet)

Invited Talks: *Current Status and Threats to Raptors & Migration*

-- Full day included for virtual participants --

8:00 am Dave Brandes, Winds of Change in the Northeast US: Implications to Fall Migration Counts

8:45 am Esther Vallejo Santamaría, Threats of raptor shooting to raptor migration in Colombia

9:30 am Matt Etterson, The history and future of raptor migration stations for monitoring environmental contaminants & impacts on raptors

10:15 am Vince Slabe, Lead exposure of raptors in North America: State of the science and examples of successful mitigation programs

11:00 am Panel Discussion: Attracting new hawkwatchers & welcoming a broader diversity of participants: a discussion, featuring (but not limited to):

- Rob Spaul, HMANA Board Vice-Chair
- Ryan MacLean, Senior Coordinator of Education at Greenwich Audubon Center and Quaker Ridge Hawkwatch
- Esther Viviana Vallejo Santamaría, Biologist and founder of TROPICOS Colombia, and Site Coordinator at Tolima Raptor Count (Spring) and Iguasitos Tolima (Fall), Columbia

12:00 – 1:00 pm Lunch on your own, box lunch pre-ordered available.

Special Workshop:

1:00 -3:00 pm Education Symposium: *Engaging with Community: Stories from Watching the Skies Together*: featuring Kara Haas, Margie Menzies and teachers from the *Michigan Raptor Migration Teaching Network*

Break

3:15-5:15 pm Raptors in Winter

Vic Berardi, Winter Raptors and HMANA Surveys

Nick Alioto, Migratory routes and wintering ecology of Red-tailed Hawks that migrate through Michigan

Neil Paprocki, Rough-legged Hawk (*Buteo lagopus*) migration, wintering, and population ecology

Vendor – Sponsor exhibits tear-down

6:30 pm HMANA 50th Anniversary Banquet & Celebration

7- 11 pm Owl Banding Field Trips (two groups, (7:00-8:20 pm and 9:00-10:20pm) 1.5hrs, pre-registration req.)

7:30 pm Awards and Reflections/Photographs

8:00 pm Banquet Keynote: Ernesto Ruelas, Raptor migration in the Neotropics: three decades of discovery

9:00 pm Conference Closing – Silent Auction Closing - Cash Bar & Mixer

Sunday, Nov 10th

Field Trips:

6:00 am – 12:00 pm Sax Zim Morning Field Trip (pre-registration req.) led by either Margie Menzies and Eric Brunhke

7:00 – 11:00 am Arctic Riviera/Wisconsin Point Field Trip (pre-registration req.) led by Steve Kolbe

7:00 am – 1:00 pm In Search of Northern Specialties Field Trip (pre-registration req.) led by Jim Lind

12:30 pm – 6:00 pm Sax Zim Afternoon Field Trip (pre-registration req.) led by either Margie Menzies and Eric Brunhke