

American Oystercatcher Working Group 2025 Annual Meeting

FINAL AGENDA

All times Eastern Standard

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

6:45 am to 7:45 am	Shiloh Memorial AMOY 5k Run starting at Science Center - Kashi Davis organizer <i>Everyone welcome to run/walk a 5 km route planned by Kashi in memory of Shiloh, who was an avid and accomplished runner</i>
7:00 am to 8:30 am	Breakfast in Ballroom - Cape May Point Arts and Science Center
8:30 am to 9:00 am	Social Time <i>Optional: Log on early to say hello to your AMOY friends and colleagues</i>
9:00 am to 9:10 am	Welcome and Orientation
9:10 am to 9:30 am	Cape May Introduction/Overview from New Jersey - <i>Todd Pover</i>
9:30 am to 10:15 am	Plenary: Remembering Shiloh and Dan Gibson - <i>Stephen Brown, Tim Keyes, and group</i>
10:15 am to 10:35 am	2025 Range-wide breeding season overview - <i>Tim Keyes</i>
10:35 am to 10:50 am	Break
10:50 am to 12:30 pm	2025 State/Region/Country Updates <i>Each state/region/country to give 5-min. update + questions</i>
12:30 pm to 1:30 pm	Lunch

	Bonus lunchtime activity: Butterfly tagging demonstration from CTT
	Human Dimensions Presentations and Discussion
1:30 pm to 2:35 pm	<p>Evolution of South Carolina Seabird Sanctuaries: Closures and Bird Protections - <i>Felicia Sanders (15 min.)</i></p> <p>Bird island protection in Florida - <i>Julia Magill (10 min.)</i></p> <p>Georgia Bird island Rule amendments - <i>Tim Keyes (5 min.)</i></p> <p>The impact of community-based social marketing on shorebirds along the Atlantic coast - <i>Sarah Saunders and Sami Livingstone (15 min. + 5 min. questions)</i></p> <p>Connecting coastlines: How AMOY practitioners can contribute to conservation social science - <i>Jesse McLaughlin (15 min. + 5 min. questions)</i></p>
	Techniques Presentations and Discussion
2:35 pm to 3:15 pm	<p>Long Island, NY camera project update - <i>Shelby Casas and Matthew Bauer (15 min. + 5 min. questions)</i></p> <p>Using trail cameras to understand threats to nesting American Oystercatcher in NYC: Update - <i>Emilio Tobon (15 min. + 5 min. questions)</i></p>
3:15 pm to 3:35 pm	Break
	Techniques Presentations and Discussion Continued
3:30 pm to 4:35 pm	<p>Visually sexing oystercatchers - <i>Lyn Brown (15 min. + 5 min. questions)</i></p> <p>Adult capture techniques discussion - <i>Luanne Johnson and Lindsay Addison (30 min.)</i></p> <p>North Carolina's American Oystercatcher and Wilson's Plover breeding season census - <i>Carmen Johnson and Lindsay Addison (10 min.)</i></p>
4:35 pm to 4:55 pm	<p>Lightning Talks</p> <p><i><5 minute observations, anecdotes, brief project introductions or updates - sign up in advance or we may have time for volunteers on the spot</i></p>

	Swati Banerjee - Human induced reduction of the American Oystercatcher's pre-fledging success on two barrier islands in Virginia Amber Krauss - Site update: Rockaway Beach Beth Amendola - GSM tracking update
4:55 pm to 5:00 pm	Wrap-up and adjourn
6:00 pm	Dinner at Science Center

Thursday, October 16, 2025

7:00 am to 8:30 am	Breakfast in Ballroom - Cape May Point Arts and Science Center
8:30 am to 9:00 am	Social Time <i>Optional: Log on early to say hello to you AMOY friends and colleagues</i>
9:00 am to 9:10 am	Introduction and Orientation
9:10 am to 10:20 am	Habitat Restoration, Enhancement, and Creation Presentations
	Habitat database update - <i>Amanda Hackney (10 min.)</i>
	Shell rake project update - <i>Zak Poulton (15 min.)</i>
	Chincoteague NWR parking lot update - <i>Lyn Brown and Edie Levine-Barnoff (10 min.)</i>
	Oyster Rake Enhancement for Breeding AMOY on the S. Amelia River - <i>Hailey Dedmon (10 min.)</i>
	Massachusetts habitat restoration projects update - <i>Jamie Infanti (10 min.)</i>
10:20 am to 10:45 am	Georgia restoration projects update - <i>Tim Keyes (5 min.)</i>
	Questions for presenters and discussion (<i>10 min.</i>)
10:20 am to 10:45 am	Break (and time to look at Habitat Database on computer in room)
10:45 am to 12:00 pm	International Presentations

	<p>Gravelly Shores: Securing a future for beach-nesting shorebirds in England - <i>Mike Short (30 min.)</i></p> <p>Strengthening Latin American and Caribbean Participation in the American Oystercatcher Working Group - <i>Salvadora Morales (15 min.)</i></p> <p>Between eggs and chicks: A weekly marathon following oystercatchers - <i>Jesús Díaz-Morales (15 min.)</i></p> <p>Spatial distribution of the American oystercatcher (<i>Haematopus palliatus</i>) and conservation status of foraging and nesting areas in an area impacted by an oil spill on the central coast of Peru - <i>Emil Ludwin Rivas Mogollon (10 min.)</i></p> <p>Questions for presenters (5 min.)</p>
12:00 pm to 1:00 pm	<p>Lunch</p> <p>Group Project Updates</p>
1:00 pm to 1:30 pm	<p>Winter aerial surveys publication and future planning update - <i>Stephen Brown (10 min. + 5 min. questions)</i></p> <p>Integrated population model update - <i>Tim Keyes (10 min. + 5 min. questions)</i></p> <p>Research and Management Presentations (15 min. each + 5 min. questions unless otherwise noted)</p>
1:30 pm to 3:00 pm	<p>Oystercatchers in a changing landscape: Consequences of climate-driven ecosystem change on nesting habitat in Virginia - <i>Mikayla Call</i></p> <p>Home range variation in American Oystercatchers across breeding seasons - <i>Trevor MacLaurin</i></p> <p>Tradeoffs used during reproduction by the American Oystercatcher in North Carolina - <i>Kate Goodenough and Lindsay Addison</i></p> <p>American Oystercatchers in Boston Harbor - <i>Lyra Brenan and Beth Howards</i></p> <p>Banded American Oystercatchers in Georgia: A look at breeding records - <i>Kristen Johnson</i></p>
3:00 pm to 3:15 pm	<p>Break</p>
3:15 pm to 3:35 pm	<p>Research and Management Presentations Continued (15 min. each + 5 min. questions unless otherwise noted)</p>

	Foraging trip parameters in Charleston Harbor, SC - <i>Amber Litterer</i>
	Working Group Updates and Discussion
3:35 pm to 4:20 pm	AMOY Band Database update - <i>Lindsay Addison (5 min.)</i> Future of the Working Group and leadership updates - <i>Steering Committee (40 min. or as needed)</i>
4:20 pm to 4:30 pm	Wrap-up, action items, and adjourn
5:00 pm	Dinner and boat cruise at Lobster House followed by bonfire at Kashi's house

Friday, October 17, 2025

MORNING	Field Trip
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