

Avocet Lecture Stage

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Friday 10 July



- 1000 **James Kimball**
Bocas del Toro: A Living Corridor of Tropical Biodiversity
Bocas del Toro hosts extraordinary tropical biodiversity, linking life zones, endemic species, and migratory corridors through community-supported conservation and protected rainforest habitats.
- 1030 **Anders Gray & Markos Charalambides**
Akrotiri: Cyprus' largest wetland complex in crisis
A vital hub for migratory birds and birdwatching now under threat. What happened and what must change.
- 1100 **Marquinha Martins, BirdLife International São Tomé and Príncipe**
BirdLife International's work for Preventing Island Extinctions. The power of community engagement.
By working directly with local hunters, the project helped shift perceptions about wildlife conservation and sustainable hunting practices
- 1130 **Keith Betton**
Birdwatching in São Tomé and Príncipe
São Tomé and Príncipe are the subject of Global Birdfair's fundraising. They are two amazing islands to visit.
- 1200 **Leonardo de Moura Persi - Embratur Brasil**
Discover how incredible Brazil is for Birdwatchers.
Find out more about our unique resources, birdwatching map, bird species and conservation projects.
- 1230 **Lloyd Scott**
Anti-Poaching work along the Mediterranean's Three Pillars of Migration.
A brief summary of hunting traditions along Mediterranean migration bottlenecks and CABS work to prevent illegal poaching and influence change.
- 1300 **Kevin Newell**
Tackling the Silent Bird Killers
Learn about our campaign to try and regulate or end the silent killer that is bird netting.
- 1330 **Jenny Weston, RSPB**
Steppe Eagle next steps
Find out more about this endangered species and what RSPB and partners are doing to save this amazing migratory bird.
- 1400 **Yann Rouxel or Zoe Jacobs**
Sustainable fisheries and seafood supply chain choices
Methods and results to date from leveraging seafood supply chains to improve sustainable fishery practices
- 1430 **Martin Kelsey**
Birding in Extremadura - a retrospective
Martin gives a personal reflection on changes over the last 21 years of nature guiding and conservation in Extremadura
- 1500 **Marcelo Gavensky**
Hooded Grebe in Austral Winter (May to August)
Why seeing this species on its wintering territory is a top birding experience (and the easiest way to see it)
- 1530 **Gustav Kiburg, Sony**
'Shooting Wildlife Photography with Sony Alpha'
Join Sony Europe Imaging Ambassador, Gustav Kiburg, for an inspiring wildlife photography talk focused on patience, precision, and capturing truly authentic moments in the wild.
- 1600 **Wenyi Zhou**
Bird ringing in the Indo-Burma biodiversity hotspot in Southwest China
Ringing birds to study avian body condition, molt patterns, distress calls, and ectoparasitic infestation in Southwest China
- 1630 **Dr. Peter Palatitz**
FALCOPOLIS, the Home of One Million migratory Falcons in Angola
Up to 1 million Red-footed falcons from across the World are proven to roost in each March in Falcopolis, Angola.
- 1700 TBC



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- 1000 **David Kinchin-Smith**
How wasps helped prevent the extinction of Tristan's Wilkins' Bunting
How a 4yr project on Tristan da Cunha provided hope for an endemic bird species on the brink of extinction
- 1030 **To be Confirmed**
West Midlands Ringing Group: Pioneers of Thermal Imaging for Bird Ringing
The West Midlands Ringing Group discuss how they have spearheaded the use of Pulsar thermal imaging for bird ringing and surveys.
- 1100 **Tony Thorne**
Discover Guyana's Birding Paradise of rainforests, savannas, coastline and 900 species of birds
Explore rich biodiversity, untouched wilderness and intimate wildlife encounters with minimal impact in the Land of Giants including Harpy Eagles, Giant Anteaters and Jaguars.
- 1130 **Iva Šoštarić**
Bird conservation efforts on Croatian islands
Comprehensive approach to conservation of sea birds (Yelkouan shearwater, Scopoli's shearwater, Aduini's gull) and birds of prey (Griffon vulture, Golden eagle) on Croatian islands.
-  1200 **Leonardo de Moura Persi - Embratur Brasil**
Brazil: The country of birds:
Brazil: 1st place in biodiversity. 18% of the world's bird diversity, 1st in South America in number of endemic birds
- 1230 **Jon Hall**
Critters, Camaraderie and Conservation. 21 Years of Mammalwatching.Com
Why the rapid growth of mammal watching is having significant conservation and scientific impacts
- 1300 **Kate MacRae – WildLife Kate**
Discovering the natural world inspiring WildLife Kate's work
Find out how Kate has inspired people by sharing her experiences with the nature around her
- 1330 **Herbert Byaruhanga**
Ecotourism development in Uganda focus on Women youth empowerment
Ecotourism development in Uganda empowering women through conservation, business skills training, sustainable livelihoods, entrepreneurship and community-based tourism initiatives.
- 1400 **Chris Gomersall**
The Last Slender-billed Curlew - witnessing an extinction
My encounter & photographic record of the last slender-billed curlew, at Merja Zerga, Morocco, in February 1995.
- 1430 **Adam Riley**
Ranthambore Challenge
Intro to Ranthambore Challenge in India
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- 1530 **Łukasz Mazurek**
Can wolves & lynx be easy to see without baiting?
Wild Poland approach to ethical wildlife watching in the Białowieża Forest.
- 1600 **Tonia Cochran**
Australia's endemic and special birds
Lecture explores Australia's endemics and specials (Plains-wanderer, Lyrebird's etc); considering reasons for high endemism and examples of hotspots/regions.
- 1630 **Edward Mayer**
Swifts, Microwaves, Dishwashers, Deodorants - what's the connection?
People buying a house must start asking the question "But has it got a Swift Brick?" if Swifts are to survive. How do we set about achieving this? The talk sets out some ideas.
- 1700 **Holly Daniels**
Into the Night
Exploring the hidden world of Britain's bats through photography; from conservation to conflict and everything in between.

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Sunday 12 July



- 1000 **Krisztina Scheeff**
Photography for Conservation and Education
A picture is worth a thousand words: photography for conservation and education and what you can do to help.
- 1030 **Guatemala** representative
Guatemalan Wildlife
Discover more about the nature of Guatemala
- 1100 **Dr Isla Graham**
Raptor conservation in the Cairngorms
Hear about the latest work to restore healthy and productive raptor populations in the Cairngorms National Park, including Golden eagle, Hen harrier, Merlin and Peregrine.
- 1130 **Will Fox**
A practical, personal guide to planning and experiencing wildlife safaris
Safari advice, drawn from over two decades of first hand guiding safaris in Africa and beyond
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Wildlife of Essex
The amazing wildlife from rare inverts to coastal birds found in this overlooked county
- 1300 **Richard Willis**
Shorebirds of the Northumberland coast - addressing recreational disturbance in all seasons.
From public engagement, disturbance monitoring to beach nesting bird protection. An account of the efforts being made to protect shorebirds.
- 1330 **Jane Smith**
Community. People and Wildlife on the West Coast of Scotland.
Is community action the future of landscape regeneration? A talk beautifully illustrated with artwork from Jane's new book.
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Africa's Top 20 Birds
The results of a survey into birders' favourite birds in Africa
- 1500 **Kevin Newell**
Savings Scottish Gulls and Changing the Law
Learn how we changed Scottish policy and licensing, reducing Gull eggs and chicks number from being killed under license.
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We hope you enjoyed your visit to Global Birdfair 2026
To help us support our Conservation Project "Preventing Island
Extinctions" please donate using the QR code
Wishing you all a safe journey home and hope to see you in 2027

