

The Canadian Field-Naturalist

News and Comment

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Upcoming Meetings and Workshops

Student Conference on Conservation Science-New York

The 12th annual Student Conference on Conservation Science-New York to be held as an online meeting 5-8 October 2021. Registration is currently open.

More information is available at <https://www.amnh.org/research/center-for-biodiversity-conservation/convening-and-connecting/sccs-ny>.

Entomology 2021

Entomology 2021, the annual meeting of the Entomological Society of America, to be held as a hybrid event, with an in-person meeting 31 October–3 November 2021 at the Colorado Convention Center,

Denver, Colorado and online content available 20 October 2021–3 January 2022. Registration is currently open. More information is available at <https://www.entsoc.org/events/annual-meeting>.

The Wildlife Society Annual Conference

The 28th annual conference of The Wildlife Society to be held as an online meeting 1–5 November 2021.

Registration is currently open. More information is available at <https://twconference.org/>.

Entomological Society of Canada and Entomological Society of Ontario's Joint Annual Meeting

The joint annual meeting of the Entomological Society of Canada and Entomological Society of Ontario to be held as an online meeting 15–18 November 2021. The theme of the conference is: 'Strength

in Diversity'. Registration is currently open. More information is available at <https://www.entsocont.ca/escso-2021-jam-english.html>.

ICCB 2021

The Society for Conservation Biology's 30th International Congress for Conservation Biology to be held as an online meeting, with pre-congress sessions 6–10 December 2021 and the main scientific program 13–17 December 2021. The theme of the conference

is: 'The Future is Now: Sustaining Biodiversity for Today and Tomorrow'. Registration is currently open. More information is available at <https://conbio.org/mini-sites/iccb-2021/>.

In Memoriam: Valerius Geist (2 February 1938–6 July 2021)

University of Calgary Professor Emeritus Valerius Geist died in Port Alberni on Vancouver Island, British Columbia, at age 83 (Vancouver Island Free Daily 2021). He was a pioneer in wildlife ecology focussing on ungulates, wolves, and wildlife population ecology and behaviour. He earned his Ph.D. from the University of British Columbia. A list of selected publications and additional information can be found by searching for his name on the web.

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In Memoriam: Stuart Houston (26 September 1927–22 July 2021)

Dr. Stuart Houston, a “Golden Anniversary” member of the Ottawa Field-Naturalists' Club (OFNC) since 1943 (Steger 2021), died in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, at age 93. A medical doctor and radiologist, he was best known in the natural history world as a bird-bander extraordinaire, having banded over 150 000 birds by 2014 (Globe and Mail 2021). One of his most recent publications was *Birds of Saskatchewan* (2019, Nature Saskatchewan), co-edited by Alan R. Smith and J. Frank Roy (Cottam 2019; see Lein 2019 for a full review of the book). More details of his remarkable life are planned for an upcoming issue of *Trail & Landscape*, the regional publication of the OFNC.

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