

Marianas Terrestrial Conservation Conference and Workshop

Date	Start time	Topic	Speaker	Title
Friday, November 17th - Multipurpose Classroom	08:00	Registration and coffee		
	08:30	Welcome from conference organizers	Ann Marie Gawel, Haldre Rogers, and Joni Kerr	
	08:45	Introductory welcome	GCC president	
	09:00	Bird conservation	Suzanne Medina	Identifying the breeding success rate is for the ko'ko' and how it has changed over time
	09:15	Bird conservation	Henry Fandel	The State of the Aga: A Summary of Findings from Recent and Ongoing Population Monitoring Efforts
	09:30	Bird conservation	Sarah Faegre** Remote	Age-related Diet and Foraging Behavior of the Mariana Crow
	09:45	Bird conservation	Andria Kroner	The vocal habits of the Āga (<i>Corvus kubaryi</i>) on Rota, CNMI
	10:00	Coffee Break		
	10:15	Bird conservation	Martin Kastner	Nesting success of sali (<i>Aplonis opaca</i>) in predator-resistant nest boxes on Guam
	10:30	Bird conservation	Henry Pollock	Pervasive impacts of invasive predators on post-fledging survival of Micronesian starlings (<i>Aplonis opaca</i>)
	10:45	Bird conservation	Brad Eichelberger	Predicting distributions of endemic bird species in the Northern Mariana Islands
	11:00	Bird conservation Panel		PANEL DISCUSSION
	11:30	Buffet lunch at the venue		
	12:30	Invasive species	Brian Leo	Modeling the Control of Feral Cats on Rota Island
	12:45	Bat conservation	Tammy Middlestein	Status of Mariana fruit bats from recent monitoring efforts
	13:00	Invertebrate conservation	Jill Liske-Clark	Contrasting abundances of coconut crab (<i>Birgus latro</i>) on Guguan and Alamagan
	13:15	Invertebrate conservation	Curt Fiedler	Current Status of Tree Snails in the Marianas
	13:30	Invertebrate conservation	Alex Kerr	Diversity and decline of land snails in the Mariana Islands
	13:45	Mammal and Invert Conservation Panel		PANEL DISCUSSION
	14:10	Coffee Break		
	14:30	Community ecology	Frank Camacho	Spathodea and Hibiscus tilaceus leaf litter decomposition in ravine and savanna habitats
	14:45	Community ecology	Lizzie Wandrag** Remote	Impact of bird loss on treefall gap dynamics
	15:00	Community ecology	Evan Fricke	Plant-frugivore networks in the Mariana Islands
	15:15	Community ecology	Carolin Tappe	Natives Top the List of Starling's Food Favorites
	15:30	Community ecology	Chris Wagner	Variation in Habitat Use and Home-Range Size of Micronesian Starlings (<i>Aplonis opaca</i>) Across Islands and Age Classes: Implications for Seed Dispersal Effectiveness
	15:45	Community ecology	Ann Marie Gawel	Non-native mammals: their varying roles in a novel ecosystem
	16:00	Community ecology	Haldre Rogers	How can we put Guam's terrestrial ecosystems back together again?
	16:15	Community ecology Panel		PANEL DISCUSSION

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16:45 - 18:30 Poster Session			
	Poster #	Presenter	Title
Friday, November 17th - GCC Library	1	Chris Murray	Recovery of a Wedge-tailed Shearwater (<i>Ardenna pacifica</i>) breeding colony following feral cat and rat eradication on Managaha, Northern Mariana Islands
	2	Rick Spaulding	Status of Landbirds on Tinian, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
	3	Maria Lynn Cruz	Home for the Mariana 8-Spot Butterfly: Planting host plants to conserve endemic butterfly
	4	Christiana-Jo Quinata	Field Observations: Native Limestone Forests Threatened by Feral Ungulates
	5	Monika Egerer, Evan Fricke, Andrea Colton	Seed dispersal as an ecosystem service: Frugivore loss leads to decline of a socially valued plant, <i>Capsicum frutescens</i>
	6	Meg Kargul	The importance of avian seed dispersers for the successional trajectories of forests in the Mariana Islands
	7	Gemma Somol and Nicola Love	How dispersal affects interspecific functional trait diversity in treefall gaps
	8	Alyssa Cepeda	The role of purple hermit crabs, <i>Coenobita brevimanus</i> , as forest frugivores
	9	Benita Laird-Hopkins	Impact of bird loss on pollination
		Micah Freedman and Matt Benjamin	Landscape-level bird loss is associated with an increase in the prevalence of honeydew-producing insects and invasive ants
	10	Lainie Berry	Surveys and outplanting of three endangered plants: <i>Serianthes nelsonii</i> , <i>Osmoxylon mariannense</i> and <i>Nesogenes rotensis</i> , on Rota, Northern Mariana Islands
	11	Patrick Keeler	Direct seeding trials on southern Guam grasslands
	12	James Dixon	An automated bait manufacturing and aerial delivery system for landscape-scale control of invasive Brown Treesnakes on Guam.
	13	Ross Miller	Biodiversity effects of Little Fire Ant on Guam and in Costa Rica
	14	Sabina Perez	Prutehi Litekyan: Save Ritidian and community-based environmental stewardship
	15	Morgan Franke	Teachers in the Forest: How hands on experience translates to the classroom
	16	Zita Pangelinan	Medicinal Plants with the Haya Foundation
17	Kaylyn K. Bautista	Conserving Groundwater in the Northern Guam Lens Aquifer	

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Saturday, Nov 18th - Multipurpose Classroom	9:00 - 12:00	Field trips		Register here	
	12:00	Lunch on your own (not provided)			
	13:00	Invasive species	Ross Miller	Little Fire Ants on Guam	
	13:15	Invasive species	TBD	TBD	
	13:30	Invasive species	Jane Dia	Empowering Conservation with Kontra I Kulepbla - Challenge the Snake	
	13:45	Invasive species	Rob Gosnell/James Dixon	Wildlife Services- Guam, An Overview	
	14:00	Invasive species	Shane Siers	A High-tech Advancement to Challenge the Snake: Aerially-delivered Baits for Brown Treesnake Control	
	14:15	<i>Invasive species Panel</i>		<i>PANEL DISCUSSION</i>	
	14:45	Coffee Break			
	15:15	Habitat management/watershed management	Adrienne Loerzel	Designing nature: Challenges and opportunities for restoration on Guam	
	15:30	Habitat management/watershed management	Else Demeulenaere	Guam Restoration of Watersheds (GROW) Initiative	
	15:45	Habitat management/watershed management	Katie Graziano	Watershed management planning in Garapan, West Tapochau, CNMI	
	16:00	Habitat management/watershed management	Malcolm Johnston	Soil Loss, Revegetation, and Conservation in the Talakhaya Watershed (Rota, CNMI)	
	16:15	<i>Habitat management/watershed management Panel</i>		<i>PANEL DISCUSSION</i>	
	16:45	CLOSING REMARKS - Conference organizers			