



Northwest Atlantic Seal Research Consortium 2019 Meeting Agenda
May 3rd, 2019

UMASS Dartmouth, School for Marine Science and Technology (SMAST), New Bedford, MA

8:30am-5pm

Post Meeting Networking/Social 5-6 pm

Time	Presentation	Title	Presenter
8:30- 9:00		Registration	
9:00-9:10		Welcome	Andrea Bogomolni & Steering Committee
9:10-9:55		Keynote Address "Where Do We Go From Here?"	Dr. Joe Roman
9:55-10:10		Coffee Break	
10:10-10:20	10	Bow Seat Ocean Awareness Programs	Ren Bettencourt, Bowseat Ocean Awareness Programs MA
10:20-10:30	10	Movements of Gray seal (<i>Halichoerus grypus</i>) pups in the New York Bight and Gulf of Maine	Robert DiGiovanni Jr, Atlantic Marine Conservation Society NY
10:30-10:45	15	Update on the First Successful Satellite Tag Deployment on Wild-Captured Harbor Seals in Virginia	Monica DeAngelis, US Naval Undersea Warfare Center, RI
10:45-10:55	10	Grey seal rookeries throughout Cape Cod have dramatically different health profiles, with those on Great Point Nantucket in the poorest health	Wendy Puryear, Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine MA
10:55-11:05	15	Responding to and Managing the 2018-2019 Northeast Pinniped Unusual Mortality Event	Ainsley Smith, NOAA GARFO, Lynda Doughty, MMoMe
11:05-11:15	10	A 2018 Phocine Distemper Virus outbreak reveals a "new" North American clade and viral dynamics	Kaitlin Sawatski, Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine MA
11:15-11:25	10	Pinniped Fecal Source Identification	Jack Paar, US Environmental Protection Agency MA
11:25-11:35	10	Determining seal presence in Boston Harbor (MA) through anthropological and archaeological accounts	WarrenKevin, Henderson, UMASS Boston MA
11:35-11:50	15	Oiled Pinniped Response Readiness in the US	Greg Frankfurter, Wildlife Health Center UC Davis, CA
11:50-12:00	10	Breaking down "harassment" to characterize trends in human interaction cases in Maine's pinnipeds	Emma Newcomb, University of Maine, Orono ME



12:00-12:45		Lunch	Provided @ SMAST
12:45-1:00	15	Unoccupied Aerial System assessment of entanglement in Northwest Atlantic gray seals	Maria Clara Iruzen Martins, University College London, UK.
1:00-1:10	10	Eastern Coyote Predation of Harp Seals on Cape Cod Beaches	Peter Trull, MA
1:10-1:25	15	Quantifying white shark predation rates on pinnipeds off Cape Cod, Massachusetts, to mitigate conservation conflicts	Greg Skomal, Division of Marine Fisheries, MA
1:25-1:40	15	White shark population recovery in the Northeast Pacific – the role of fishery protection and pinniped recovery	Chris Lowe, CSU Long Beach Shark Lab CA
1:40-1:55	15	Seals, and Sharks, and Shorebirds, Oh My!-- Crucial Conversations in the Face of Changing Perceptions about Wildlife at Cape Cod National Seashore	Sue Moynihan CCNS & Gordon Waring Retired NOAA/NEFSC/PSB MA
1:55-2:05	15	Bad News for the Critters With Flippers	Sharon Young, The Humane Society of the U.S.
2:05-2:20		Coffee Break	
2:20-3:35		Panel 1 and NASRC Participants: Q&A	Facilitator Hal Minis; NASRC lead Lisa Sette & Owen Nichols
3:35-4:50		Panel 2 and NASRC Participants: Q&A	
4:50-		Meeting Synthesis/Closing Remarks	Owen Nichols
5:00		Post-Conference Social Hour @ SMAST	