

## **BOU activities at IOC2018**

VANCOUVER | 20 - 26 AUGUST 2018



# ECOLOGY AND CONSERVATION OF GRASSLAND BIRDS

20 August 2018 | 1000 - 1645

The BOU is holding an open one-day meeting with the RSPB Centre for Conservation Science on the registration day of IOC2018, in Vancouver, Canada. The meeting is free to attend – all welcome!

Grasslands are found right across the planet, from tropical savannahs to alpine meadows, from coastline to mountain peak, forming key habitats for a wide range of species. Many of these habitats are under considerable threat from anthropogenic changes including land use change, urbanisation and climate change, which can impact on these important ecosystems and the birds which rely on them.

The day has been planned specially to provide the large numbers of delegates arriving to register for IOCongress2018 on the Monday,

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ABOUT THE BOU

Follow us on Twitter throughout #IOCongress2018

**#BOUatIOC** 

## **AWARD**



The BOU's Godman-Salvin Prize

TUES, 21 AUGUST IOC Local Organiser's 'Canada Evening'.

1800 - 2100

with a series of presentations they can pop in and out of during this free open day.

#### KEYNOTE SPEAKERS









We have four great keynote presentations lined up, together with a packed programme of offered presentations from around the world. Our keynotes (from left to right):

Prof Jenny Gill | *University of East Anglia, UK*Conservation management of breeding waders on wet grasslands

Dr Brett Sandercock | *NINA, Norway* Identifying demographic bottlenecks in the annual cycles of grassland birds

Prof Jane Reid | *University of Aberdeen, UK*Applying population ecology to conserve Red-billed chough in agricultural grasslands

Dr Jill A. Shaffer | US Geological Survey, USA Assessing and mitigating the effects of wind-energy development on grassland and wetland birds in the U.S. Northern Great Plains

PROGRAMME AND DETAILS

BOU at the IOC SOCIAL MEDIA HUB

The Godman-Salvin Prize is awarded by the BOU to an individual as a signal honour for distinguished ornithological work. During the IOC Local Organiser's 'Canada Evening' we will honour a distinguished North American ornithologist, recognised throughout the world for their science and their outstanding contribution to our ornithological community.

#### WORKSHOP



#### #TheTweetingBird

WEDS, 22 AUGUST 2000 - 2200 Check IOC programme for venue

Join the BOU's Steve Dudley and Scicomm Monday's Nicole Wood to learn more about how you can use social media for your research, in particular how to promote your research to our growing online ornithological community.

#### **POSTER**



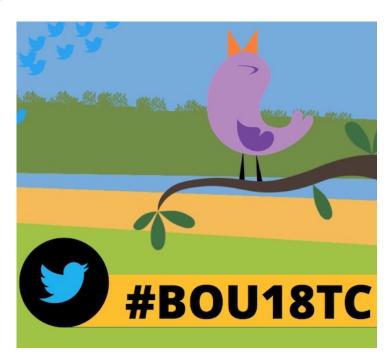
#TheTweetingBird: its rise, relevance and impact in #ornithology



The BOU has been helping the IOC local organisers plan their social media delivery for the congress. Part of this, and for the first time at any ornithological congress, there will be a dedicated 'Social Media Hub' to provide a focal point for delegates to learn more about the role social media already plays in ornithology, and how they can use it for their own research.

The IOC Social Media Hub will be the BOU's home from 21 – 25 August, and you will be able to find the BOU's Steve Dudley there most breaks and lunch periods.

## **CALL FOR PAPERS**



#### Twitter conference

20-21 November 2018 | All around the world!

Deadline for abstracts: 30 June

Steve Dudley, Tom Finch & Nina O'Hanlon

Look out for the BOU's latest poster linking social media attention, altmetrics and citations in ornithology based on the authors' Royal Society *Open Science* paper 'Tweeting birds: online mentions predict future citations in ornithology'.

Posters will be on display in the Exhibit hall – see programme and venue plan for details.

#### CALL FOR PAPERS



Tracking migration: drivers, challenges and consequences of seasonal movements

26 - 28 March 2019 Warwick, UK

Migration has long captured the human mind and ingenious ways to unravel the processes involved in bird migration have long been at the core of ornithological research. Techniques such as ringing, the use of radars and flight tunnels and the deployment of bio-logging devices have gradually expanded our knowledge of this behaviour.

Details

Our second Twitter conference is taking place this autumn and we want to hear about your research.

Our first Twitter conference last year attracted over 60 presenters from around the world, and along with our seven invited keynotes, attracted an audience of just over 3,000 delegates whose sharing of tweeted items reached over a million people!

**DETAILS** 

## **COME ALONG!**



## Seabirds: towards a sustainable future with renewable energies

11 October 2018 Peterborough, UK

This one-day event will bring together leading experts (researchers, manufacturers, policy-makers and conservationists) to share and build on current knowledge and challenge us all to think about the key questions we still need to address at the individual, (meta) population and community level (including seabird-prey interactions).

**DETAILS** 

### **BLOG**

WRITE A BLOG POST

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## THANK YOU

We thank Leica for their continued support.











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We are now on Weibo, and delivering ornithology to Chinese ornithologists!

>> MORE DETAILS . . .

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