

"Building Resilient Fisheries and Professionals"

Your Guide to the 2022 Virtual Wisconsin AFS Meeting

What does it mean to be a "resilient fisheries professional"?

- Developing fisheries professionals in the art of Science Communication to support management decisions
- Providing training, education and experience for students and professionals
- Building working relationships with stakeholders, academia and partners

What does it take to embrace a resilient fishery?

- Thoroughly understanding life history requirements of our fisheries
- Protecting and enhancing fisheries habitat and water quality
- Understanding localized effects of climate change on our fisheries

The WI-AFS Executive Committee is excited to announce the 51st Annual Meeting of the Wisconsin Chapter of the American Fisheries Society will be held virtually from 1:00 pm until 4:30 pm, Monday 7-Feb through Thursday 10-Feb, 2022. The virtual format will include Live Events hosted on zoom including plenary speakers, scientific presentations, workshops, our annual business meeting, awards presentations and the raffle drawing. Most of us will miss the in-person activities, but there will be quite a few benefits to our members including reduced cost, presentation recordings for future use and reduced health risks under the current pandemic.

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2022 Annual Meeting

51st Annual - Wisconsin Chapter of the American Fisheries Society

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Date/Time	7-Feb	8-Feb	9-Feb	10-Feb
11:00- 12:00	Executive committee meeting			
12:30- 1:00	Welcome and Introduction / NCD update			R-Workshop
1:00 - 1:20	Professional Presentation	Professional Presentation	Professional Presentation	
1:20 - 1:40	Student Presentation	Student Presentation	Student Presentation	R-Workshop
1:40 - 1:55	Student Subchapter Presentation	Student Subchapter Presentation	Student Subchapter Presentation	
1:55 - 2:05	Break			
2:05 - 2:50	Resiliency Steve Carpenter	Science Communication Julie Claussen	Climate Change Initiatives Alex Latzka	Student Professional Mixer
2:50 - 3:35	ची <u>र</u> बृद्ध IS ब्रांप्रीट	Business meeting (Attendance is requested for all members)	Presentation / Poster Roundtable	Awards Ceremony Best Presentations Scholarship
3:35 - 3:45	Break			
3:45 - 4:00				Fishing Contest Presentation
4:00 - 4:30	Social Hour	Social Hour	the Age IS Aight	Game of Skill Contest and Wrap Up

2022 WI-AFS Virtually IMPORTANT DATES!!!				
Tuesday, November 9, 2021	Save the Date and Request for Abstracts			
Friday, January 7, 2022	Abstract submission DEADLINE			
Wednesday, January 19, 2022	Presentation and Poster recordings DEADLINE			
Monday, January 24, 2022	Virtual presentations available for VIEWING			
Tuesday, February 1, 2022	Presentation judging DEADLINE			
February 7-10, 2022	WiAFS Virtual Program			

FREE Registration!

There will be no registration fee for members, but members need to renew their membership to receive email updates and virtual meeting links. Free registration is required and will be done through the <u>WI-AFS meeting website link</u>

Registration is currently open and continues throughout the event for your convenience.

Abstract submission:

- Abstract submission will function the same as past meetings. We will accept student and professional abstracts for full presentations (recommended 15-20 minutes). NEW for 2022 we will not be judging speed talk submissions as a part of the presentation competition. However, chapter members are encouraged to submit their abstracts and record their presentations. We will be judging posters in 2022.
- Dates:
 - Abstract submission opens Tuesday November 9, 2021
 - Abstract submission closes Friday, January 7, 2021

Presentation and Poster Rubrics:

The long-standing tradition of our poster and presentation competition continues virtually with updated rubrics inserted below for your convenience. Please contact Awards Chair, David Schumann dschumann@uwlax.edu for any questions regarding the judging of either posters or presentations.



Recording and uploading your presentation

All presentations (full and speed) will be uploaded to the WI-AFS Vimeo page prior to the meeting where they will be available for viewing by members and judges. The top three presentations, based on judges scoring within each category (i.e., student and professional), will be given live as a part of the virtual meeting. The judging committee will contact the best presenters ahead of time to notify them that they will be presenting at the virtual meeting.

Recording

There are several ways that PowerPoint presentations can be recorded. National AFS has put out a guide that can be used to create the file.



Recording though one of these methods can be done on your own time, but please be mindful of time restrictions for the type of presentation you signed up for (20 minutes for full, 10 for speed). In order to reduce file size, it is requested that presenters simply capture screen slides and voice. Capturing the webcam of presenter during the presentation is not suggested. But we do recommend including a photo of yourself early in the presentation so the audience can match a face with your name/voice.

Next, the file must be transferred to Max.Wolter@wisconsin.gov by Wednesday, January 19, 2022. File transfer will be completed using WeTransfer, a free online service wetransfer.com. Once the file is received it will be uploaded to the WI-AFS Vimeo page.

Poster presentation

Posters will also need to be uploaded ahead of time. Please save your poster (**file format: PDF**) and send to Brad Eggold (email) by (Wednesday, January 19, 2022). Each poster will be available for viewing prior to the meeting on the WI-AFS website.

<u>Information on Student Professional Event</u>

Join us for a Student-Professional mixer event! This will be a fun laid back activity where students and professionals can interact. Come join us and ask questions, get advice and maybe play a game. More details will be forthcoming. We hope to see you there! Please contact Stephanie.Shaw@wisconsin.gov if you have questions or comments about this activity.

New for 2022! - Game of Skill Contest

Say "goodbye" to the raffle and "hello" to a new contest to distribute prizes. The raffle was a popular event and will return for the next in-person conference, but in the meantime, a new contest is in the final R&D stage of production and firm details will be provided soon. The contest will likely center around guessing the number of widgets in a widget container (e.g. # of jigheads in a fish tank; or # of fishing beads in a mason jar). Photos of the widgets in the widget container will go live on the website on the first day of the conference. Contestants will be able to purchase a 'guess' and the prizes will be distributed based on the guesses.

We still plan to use the AFS website as a platform to operate this contest - similar to last year. Homemade items and member donations generally constitute most of the prizes and we hope to keep that theme going for 2022. Members are encouraged to donate prizes again this year by submitting a photo and description of their prize via the 'DONATE A PRIZE' link on the raffle webpage. This feature will become live on the webpage two weeks prior to the meeting on January 24th. Prizes will be displayed on the 'VIRTUAL PRIZE TABLE', so members can see what is available to win. One stipulation for donating a prize is that donors will be required to ship their prize to the winner. To compensate donors for the shipping cost, they will receive 3 complimentary guesses for the contest, a \$10 value. Donations are subject to review and there is a maximum of two donations per member.

Guesses can be purchased via the 'BUY A GUESS' link starting the first day of the conference and sales will run through noon on the last day. Guess prices will be: 1 for \$5, 3 for \$10, and 8 for \$20. All guesses will be tabulated, and winners will have the first choice from the prize table (i.e. guesses will **NOT** be prize specific). If there are multiple guesses that are the same, the first contestant who guessed it will have first choice of prize and so on.

The 'Final Reveal' and prize selection will occur during the social hour on the last day of the meeting. Members must be "present" at the drawing to win and the winner will have to unmute to claim their prize (tell the group who you are, where you are at, and what you do). Prizes will be shipped directly to the winners from the donors or directly from an online retailer.

We realize this is an unexpected changed in format for the fundraiser, but we guarantee it will be a fun time with great prizes, and most importantly the contest will raise funds for the student travel scholarship fund.