



Joint Meeting of the
**61st Annual General Meeting and
Conference of the Atlantic Society of
Fish and Wildlife Biologists (ASFWB)**
and the
**2024 Annual Science Conference of the
Mersey Tobeatic Research Institute (MTRI)**



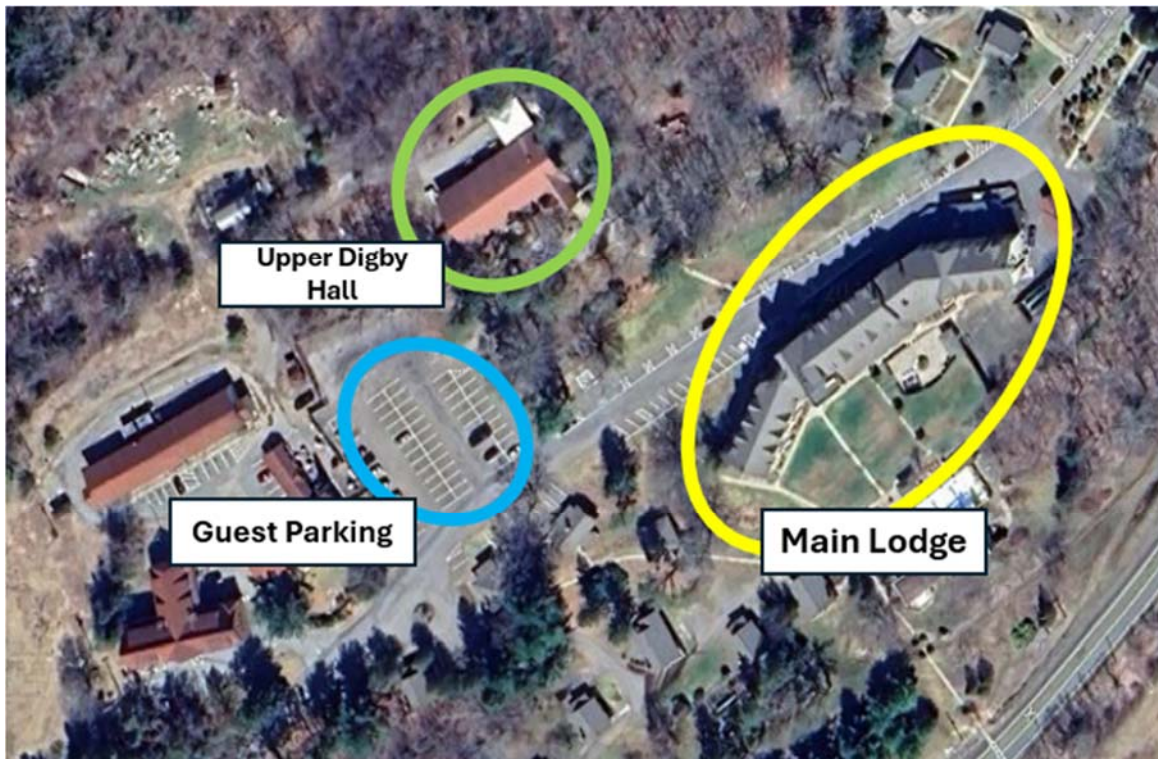
Conference Information Sheet

Our joint conference will host 130 conservation and wildlife professionals and students from Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. Student awards will be given for best Oral and Poster presentations to support their continued work and career development. We look forward to the opportunity to share research stories, create partnerships and mentor the conservation and wildlife biologists of tomorrow!

The Venue:

Digby Pines Golf Resort and Spa offers rooms in the main lodge and cottage accommodations, and has a restaurant, spa, and walking trails on the grounds. The conference will be held in Upper Digby Hall, which is separate from the main lodge. The registration desk will open at 8 AM on Oct 29 in Upper Digby Hall.

Those arriving on the evening of Monday Oct 28 are welcome to join members of the local organizing committee for an informal dinner at the restaurant in the Main Lodge (Churchill's Restaurant) between 6-7pm and gather at the Icebreaker in the Veranda between 7-9 PM, where early registration will be available.



Food and refreshments:

Coffee or tea and muffins, scones, cookies and/or fruit will be served at morning and afternoon breaks. Lunch on Oct 29 will be soup and a selection of sandwiches and wraps. Light snacks will be provided at the poster session. The Banquet will be a buffet with a variety of salads and desserts, and three main dishes (Maple-glazed salmon with dill yogurt; Roasted turkey with mushroom stuffing; and Vegetarian/Vegan patty) plus roasted potatoes. A cash bar will be available at the Poster Session, Banquet and music session on Oct 29. For all meals and breaks, Gluten Free, Dairy Free, Vegetarian, and Vegan options will be available for guests who have indicated these dietary restrictions.

Silent Auction:

Proceeds will go towards funding future student awards. Silent auction items will be bid on throughout the day on Oct 29, and winning bids will be announced after the banquet. Donations of apparel, equipment, merchandise, gift certificates, or services will be appreciated. Please bring your items to the Digby Hall, upper floor (the main conference room), on the morning of Tuesday Oct 29. For more information contact ASFWB.MTRI.2024@gmail.com with subject "silent auction."

Celtic Music Session:

On October 29, after the silent auction, local musicians will host a Celtic music session, open to all players. Please bring an instrument and join in!

Traveling to Digby:

Travelling to Digby from the Halifax Stanfield Airport will take approximately 2.5 hours.

Directions: From the airport, head South via NS-102, then take exit 4B onto NS-101 for about 2 hours. From there, take exit 26 onto NS-303. Turn left onto Victoria Street and Digby Pines will be on the left in 2km. The street address for Digby Pines is 103 Shore Road.

Please note: the MV Fundy Rose ferry from St. John, NB to Digby is not operating because it is undergoing bi-annual refit work.

For more Information:

[Conference information \(including Abstracts of presentations, Instructions to presenters, and updates to the Agenda\)](#)

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