77th Annual Shellfish Conference and Tradeshow



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Seaside Civic & Convention Center, Seaside, OR September 19-21, 2023

AGENDA



* subject to change. Room assignments will be provided closer to the conference date.

					Monday, Sept 18							
8:30 a.m.		Golf Tournament										
9:00 a.m.		Pickleball Tournament										
1:00 p.m.		PCSGA Board Meeting										
4:00 p.m.					BREAK							
4:15 p.m.		PCSGA Annual General Member Meeting										
	Tues, Sept 19											
9:00 a.m.		Welcome										
9:15 a.m.		John Lentz Featured Speaker: Aquaculture Apprenticeship Program Carissa Maurin (Gulf of Maine Research Institute)										
10:30 a.m.					BREAK							
11:00a a.m.		Plenary panel - More info coming soon										
12.00 p.m.				OPENING LUNCHE	ON Featuring a special presentation by the authors of 'Heave	n on the H	alf Shell'					
		Session 1			Session 2							
2:00 p.m.		Physiological and behavioural response of eastern oysters (Crassostrea virginica) and soft shell clams (Mya arenaria) to hypoxia and heatwaves Jasmine, Talevi (Dalhousie University), Shelby Clarke, Michael Coffin, Luc Comeau, Takashi Sakamaki and Ramon Filgueira	2:00 p.m.	Social License Workshop	Social License Workshop Moderated by Emily Whitmore and Anne Langston (Maine Aquaculture Innivation Center)	2:00 p.m.	Genetics, Genomics, and Broodstock	Genetic Variation in Growth of Pacific Oysters is Primarily Non-Additive Dennis Hedgecock (University of Southern California), Xiaoshen Yin				
2:15 p.m.	Ocean Conditions	Exploring adaptation and plasticity to ocean warming in blue mussels (Mytilus edulis) from Atlantic Canada Shelby B. Clarke (Dalhousie University) , Tiago Hori, Luc Comeau, and Ramon Filgueira	2:15 p.m.			2:15 p.m.		Development of an Alternative Sterility Method for Shellfish Aquaculture: Identification of Candidate Genes Involved in Germ Cell Specification Mackenzie Gavery (NOAA Fisheries - NW Fisheries Science Center), Lauren Saunders, Lauren Vandepas, Brent Vadopalas, Adam Luckenbach, Cole Trapnell, Steven Roberts				
2:30 p.m.		Examining the impacts of elevated, variable pCO2 on larval Pacific razor clams (Siliqua patula) in Alaska Marina Alcantar (University of Alaska Fairbanks), Jeff Hetrick, Jacqueline Ramsay, and Amanda Kelley	2:30 p.m.			2:30 p.m.		Shellfish stress and chromosome copies: performance of diploid and triploid oysters under temperature, pH, and dissolved oxygen stress Craig Norrie (University of Washington)				
2:45 p.m.		Environmental Priming for Ocean Acidification: Potential hatchery practices to build resilience for clam aquaculture in the Puget Sound Larken Root (Univeristy of Washington/NOAA), Mackenzie Gavery, Ryan Crim	2:45 p.m.			2:45 p.m.		Sex determination in Pacific oysters (Crassostrea gigas): Translating basic science into more efficient oyster production Bernarda Calla (USDA-ARS), Neil Thompson				
3:00 p.m.					BREAK							
3:15 p.m.		Potential of the macroalgae dulse (Devaleraea mollis) to mitigate effects of ocean acidification on larval Pacific oysters (Magallana gigas) in land-based co-culture Leah Wessler* (University of British Columbia), Dr. Andrea Frommel, Dr. Jennifer Clark	3:15 p.m.	- Social Media workshop	Social Media workshop Moderated by Cora Hirashiki (Fat Moon Creative)	3:15 p.m.	Genetics, Genomics, and Broodstock	Understanding an oyster's "merroir" from a genomics lens Laura Spencer(University of Washington & NOAA AFSC/NWFSC), Katherine Silliman, Steven Roberts				
3:30 p.m.		Recovery from an atmospheric heatwave in Midori and Miyagi strains of the Pacific cyster Hollis Jones* (University of California, Davis), Cassidy Cooper, Anne Todgham	3:30 p.m.			3:30 p.m.		Experimental assesment of POGS YC2023 to OsHV-1 microvar Neil Thompson (USDA- Pacific Shellfish Research Unit), Marni Rem-McGeachy, Will Schoeneck, Darren DeSilva, Nasif Sarowar				
3:45 p.m.	Ocean Conditions	Triploid Pacific oysters exhibit stress response dysregulation and elevated mortality following heatwaves Matthew George (University of Washington), Olivia Cattau, Mollie A. Middleton, Delaney Lawson, Brent Vadopalas, Mackenzie Gavery, Steven Roberts	3:45 p.m.			3:45 p.m.		Center for Aquaculture Technology Canada (CATC) developed OsHV challenge model to assess family resistance in controlled laboratory condition. Nasif Sarowar (The Center for Aquaculture Technologies)				
4:00 p.m.		Environmental effects on biological characteristics of Pacific oyster Crassostrea gigas cultured in the Seto Inland Sea, Japan, from 1990 to 2022 Yumeng Pang (University of Washington), Tsuneo Ono, Takehiro Tanaka	4:00 p.m.			4:00 p.m.						
4:30 p.m.					Tradeshow Reception and NSA Fundraiser							

		Session 1			Session 2			Session 3
8:30 a.m.			8:30 a.m.	Shellfish and Human Health	Effects of the harmful alga Cochlodinium (aka Margalefedinium) polykrikoides on clearance rate of the hard clam, Mercenaria mercenaria Darren de Silva (USDA-ARS), Christopher J. Gobler			
8:45 a.m.		NAHMS: A trusted data oyster with a clam-like formula and statistical mussel helping to meet information needs! Diana Short (USDA APHIS VS NAHMS)	8:45 a.m.	NANOOS Update	Providing ocean and coastal data access for Pacific Northwest Shellfish Growers with the NANOOS Visualization System Rachel Wold (University of Washington), Jan Newton, Roxanne Carini, Nicholas Rome, Jonathan Allan, Troy Tanner, Charles Seaton, Michael Kosro			
9:00 a.m.		A Report on Work By NOAA Fisheries and Partners to Assess and Enhance The Permitting and Regulatory Landscape in Washington State Jeff Bash (NOAA Fisheries)	9:00 a.m.		Can coralline algae habitat bolster the climate resilience of Washington's endangered pinto abalone? Eileen Bates (University of Washington), Josh Bouma, Ryan Crim, Jodie Toft, Jacqueline Padilla-Gamino	9:00 a.m.		
9:15 a.m.		ELAP: Oppurntunities and Challenges from a National Perspective Charlie Culpepper (National Aquaculture Association)	9:15 a.m.		Determination of gonad reproductive state using non-lethal ultrasonography in endangered black (Hallotis cracherodii) and white abalone (H. sorenseni) Sara E. Boles (Bodega Marine Laboratory, University of California, Davis), Laura Rogers-Bennett, Wendy K. Bragg, Jessica Bredvik-Curran, Suzanne Graham, & Jackson A. Gross	9:15 a.m.		
9:30 a.m.	Policy and Permitting	Shellfish Farming and the Endangered Species Act Amanda M. Carr (Plauché & Carr LLP)	9:30 a.m.	Conservation and Restoration	Integrating aquaculture to improve Olympia oyster restoration in the Elkhorn Slough, CA Jacob Harris (Moss Landing Marine Laboratories, San Jose State University), Luke Gardner, Amanda Kahn, Kerstin Wasson	9:30 a.m.	USDA Pacific Shellfish Research Unit Engagement Session - POGS Breeding Program Update and	USDA Pacific Shellfish Research Unit Engagement Session - POGS Breeding Program Update and Listening Session USDA-ARS Pacific Shellfish Research Unit
9:45 a.m.		Legal Issues Impacting Shellfish Samuel W. (Billy) Plauché (Plauché & Carr LLP)	9:45 a.m.		Every Breath You Take: Siphon Visibility Of Puget Sound Wild Geoducks Henry S. Carson(WA Dept. of Fish and Wildlife) Bethany C. Stevick and Ocean Working	9:45 a.m.	Listening Session	
10:00 a.m.		Quantifying and Communicating Ecosystem Services (official title TBD)	10:00 a.m.	1.	A Novel Social-Ecological Clam Garden Site Selection Process Joe Williams (Swinomish Indian Tribal Community), Courtney M. Greiner, Julie S. Barber, Jamie Donatuto, Melissa Poe, James McArdle, Lindy Hunter, Michal Heidt	10:00 a.m.		
10:15 a.m.		Chris Schillaci (NOAA Fisheries)	10:15 a.m.		Baskets of cockles in fields of geoduck: Assessing Clinocardium nuttallii abundance in geoduck farms across Puget Sound Ryan Crim (Puget Sound Restoration Fund), Emily Buckner, Elizabeth Unsell, Darbhi Durvasula, Hannah Garfield, Jodie Toft	10:15 a.m.		
10:30 a.m.					BREAK			
11:00 a.m.		Taylor Shellfish Farms - Habitat Conservation Plan Jesse DeNike (Plauche & Carr), Samuel W. (Billy) Plauche, Phil Bloch, Kelly McDonald, and Chris Cziesła	11:00 a.m.		Watching from Above – Monitoring Eelgrass Habitats in Humboldt, Samish, and Willapa Bays Phil Bloch(Confluence Environmental Company) , Kelly McDonald, Whelan Gilkerson and Bobbi Hudson	11:00 a.m.		
11:15 a.m.		Washington State Department of Health Commercial Shellfish Enforcement Program Overview Dani Toepelt, R.S. (WA Dept. of Health)	11:15 a.m.	Conservation and Restoration	Recovery mechanisms of eelgrass (Zostera marina) following dredging disturbance Fiona Boardman (University of Washington), Elena Subbotin, Jennifer Ruesink	11:15 a.m.	for Shellfish Health Management - OsHV- 1 and The West Coast Shellfish Industry	Workshop: Strengthening Research Support for Shellfish Health Management - OsHV-1 and The West Coast Shellfish Industry - NOAA Fisheries Northeast Fisheries Science Center and CA Department of Public Health
11:30 a.m.		An electronic aquaculture production data system for Washington Chris Eardley (WA Dept. of Fish and Wildlife), Bobbi Hudson, Dani Toepelt, David Beugli, Laura Butler, Kim Thompson, Kevin Decker	11:30 a.m.		Nekton Use of Seagrass (Zostera Marina) Habitat on Oyster Flip-bag Farms Katie Houle(Pacific Shellfish Institute) , Kalloway Page, Fiona Boardman, Jennifer Ruesink	11:30 a.m.		
		Public Engagement Toolkit Kim Thompson (Pacific Coast Shellfish	11:45 a.m.		WDFW's Safeguard Our Shellfish Campaign Nam Siu (WA Dept. of Fish and Wildlife), Katy Davis, Matt Hoehn, Chris Eardley; An update on West Coast Shellfish Biosecurity Workshop Series Chris			
11:45 a.m.	Policy/Permitting	Growers Association)			Eardley (WA Dept. of Fish and Wildlife), Chris Langdon, Maria Haws; Effect of Biofouling and Stocking Density on Microclimate in off-Bottom Oyster Culture Grow-Out Bags Julianne Grenn (Virginia Institute of Marine Science) and William Walton	11:45 a.m.		
12:00 p.m.		Shellfish Farm Permitting Toolbox Kelly McDonald (Confluence Environmental Company) , Marlene Meaders, Jesse DeNike, Samantha Klein	12:00 p.m.	Lightning Talks	Is water temperature a critical factor dictating OsHV-1 SD Bay µvar infection and mortality rates in Pacific oysters? Emily Kunselman (Scripps Institution of Oceanography). Daysi Manrique, Zachary Daniel, Colleen Burge, Sarah Allard, Jack Gilbert; Understanding the Spatial and Temporal Variability of Carbohydrate Compositions of Cultivated kelp in Alaska Jardell Cameron (University of Alaska Fairbanks); Enhancing access to ocean data and information products from the Central and Northern California Ocean Observing System (CeNCOOS) to support well-informed shellfishery management Marine Lebrec (Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute), Alex Harper	12:00 p.m.		
12:15 p.m.			12:15 p.m.		An Oyster Farm in your Living Room DIVE4Ag OR State University	12:15 p.m.		
12:30 p.m.					LUNCH BREAK/NSA LUNCHEON	-		

2:00 p.m.			2:00 p.m.	Outreach and Education	Seaweed farming in the classroom: educational materials Kristin Jones (Pacific Northwest National Laboratory) , Deborah Rose, Molly Grear, Ruth Branch, Candace Briggs	2:00 p.m.		Toward the qualitative modeling of Dungeness crab for management and conservation in the South Puget Sound Melanie Good (University of Washington), P. Sean McDonald, Erendira Aceves Bueno, and Emily Buckner
2:15 p.m.			2:15 p.m.		Washington Shellfish Perceptions: Survey Results Examining Messages and Attitudes in Shellfish Producing Counties Brett Veerhusen (Ocean Strategies) , Tyler Edgar	2:15 p.m.		Effects of climate change (warming and acidification) on bull kelp (Nereocystis leutekana) microscopic stages Miranda Roethler (University of Washington), Jacqueline Padilla-Gamino, Cinde Donoghue
	West Coast Federal Shellfish Research	West Coast Federal Shellfish Research Update and Listening Session	2:30 p.m.		The effect of including Nannochloropsis oculata within mixed algal diet on growth and survival of Pacific cyster Crassostrea gigas larvae. Zachary Kowash (Oregon State University)	2:30 p.m.	Beyond Bivalves:	The Impact of Temperature on the Nutritional Composition of Dulse (Devaleraea mollis) and its Influence on Juvenile Red Abalone (Haliotis rufescens) Jackson Gross (Univeristy of California, Davis), Natalie Rizzo, and Sara Boles
	Update and Listening Session	NOAA Fisheries and USDA ARS	2:45 p.m.	Down on the Farm	Quantifying Bed Quality: a Comparison of Oyster Yield Across Habitats and Growout Methods Jennifer Ruesink (University of Washington) , Fiona Boardman, Wesley Hull, Aspen Katla, Andy Suhrbier, Emma Beck, Katle Houle	2:45 p.m.	More	A year in the life: Tracking post-larval cohorts of Dungeness crab in an estuarine system Sarah Grossman (Swinomish Indian Tribal Community), Claire Cook, Julie Barber
3:00 p.m.			3:00 p.m.		Experiences With Experimenting With and Developing Floating Oyster Bags Nyle Taylor (Taylor Shellfish Farms)	3:00 p.m.		Return of the Green: An update on the development of a seaweed recycling network Emily Buckner (Puget Sound Restoration Fund) , Hannah Garfield, Jodie Toft, Joth Davis, Bill Dewey, Duane Fagergren, Evie Fagergren, Betsy Peabody
3.15 p.m.			3.15 p.m.		Tidal Energy for Mariculture Operations Candace Briggs (Pacific Northwest National Laboratory), Ruth Branch, Molly Grear, Debbie Rose, Kristin Jones	3.15 p.m.		
3:30 p.m.					BREAK			
3:45 p.m.		Program NOAA Fisheries Office of Aquaculture, US Department of	3:45 p.m.	n. Ecosystem and Best Management Practices h.	Ecosystem-based management for community and industry resilience: collaboratively modeling Washington coastal estuaries Nicole Naar (WA Sea Grant) , Kate Litle, P. Sean McDonald, Ashleigh Epps	3:45 p.m.		
	Federal Agency Policy and Program		4:00 p.m.		Do Oysters Reduce or Increase Transmission of Eelgrass Wasting Disease? Lindsay Alma, PhD (University of California, Davis)	4:00 p.m.		
	Updates and Listening Session				Environmental Codes of Pracitce (ECOP) Revision Update and Feedback Session Kim Thompson (Pacific Coast Shellfish Growers Association), Samantha Klein, Bobbi Hudson	4:15 p.m.		
4:30 p.m.			4:30 p.m.			4:30 p.m.		
5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.					MEMORIAL HAPPY HOUR AWARDS BANQUET AND SILENT AUCTION			

					Thurs, Sept 21
		Session 1	,		Session 2
8:45 a.m.		WAFLA update Lisan Bannister (WAFLA)			
9:00 a.m.	Labor Issues	WAFLA upuate Lisan Baillister (WAFLA)	9:00 a.m.		Ecological impacts of the invasive European green crab (Carcinus maenas) in Washington Ben Rubinoff (WA Sea Grant)
9:15 a.m.		Tide's Out: Proposed Washington Shellfish Crew and Manager Training Teri King(Washington Sea Grant), Ashleigh Epps, Nicole Naar	9:15 a.m.	Integrated Pest Management E	What's Eating You: an Overview of Known Interactions and Impacts of The Invasive European Green Crab on Pacific Coast Shellfish Species. Brian Turner (WA Dept. of Fish and Wildlife)
9:30 a.m.	The Nature	TNC's Restorative Aquaculture Program Stories, Updates, and New	9:30 a.m.		Monitoring Recent Shifts in Burrowing Shrimp Populations in Coastal Estuaries: Are They Really New and Should a Shellfish Grower be Concerned? Brett R Dumbauld (USDA-ARS), Brooke McIntyre, Nathaniel Lewis, Jennifer Ruesink, and Wesley Hull
9:45 a.m.	Program Updates		9:45 a.m.		IPM Update from WA Department of Agriculture Laura Butler (WA Department of Agriculture)
10:00 a.m.			10:00 a.m.		
10:15 a.m.			10:15 a.m.		