



FIELD MEET 2014

NOVEMBER 13-16, LONDON, ONTARIO

NEW! Thursday evening kickoff



GOOD HAWKING, GREAT GUESTS, EXCEPTIONAL MEET!

LONDON: With so many hunting areas and the success of past meets, we are pleased to be returning to London again. The London area supports an excellent cottontail population, some European hare, lots of crows and good duck setups.

The meet will kick off this year with a social Thursday evening at the hotel. Meet new members, reconnect with old friends, and make plans for the weekend!

HAWKING starts Friday morning and runs through Saturday and Sunday. There will be sign-up sheets to help organize hawking and carpools.

SATURDAY BUFFET LUNCH: The buffet at the hotel provides fast service, a chance to regroup for the afternoon...and a secured weathering yard for your bird.

BANQUET: Saturday we will have our annual banquet and raffle with well-known keynote speaker Steve Layman. We are also very pleased to welcome NAFA Director Dianne Moller.

RAFFLE: The raffle is always a lot of fun and is a major source of revenue for the club. Please remember to bring an item for the raffle or silent auction Saturday night. Falconry and non-falconry items are equally welcome.

HOTEL ROOMS:

A block of rooms have been set aside at the special rate of \$109, which includes a hot breakfast. Rooms **MUST BE BOOKED BY OCT 31st** to get this rate. Rooms are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

The meet is open to current members. If you are not a member, but would like to attend, please email secretary@ontariohawkingclub.org

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

Wed November 5, 2014

Please register early!

EXPANDED FRIDAY EVENING PROGRAM!

- Falconry Marketplace: falconry stuff for sale. 4 - 8pm.
- Tonight Show-style Q&A with Keynote speaker Steve Layman and guests. 8 - 9:30pm.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

THURSDAY NOV 13

7:00pm Meet and greet social in hotel bar

FRIDAY NOV 14

8:00am Meet in hotel lobby. Sign up for hunting groups

9:00am Gather into hunting groups and depart for field

11:30-1:00pm Lunch at Pizza Hut on Wellington Rd. (cost not included in registration fees)

4:00-8:00pm Falconry Marketplace

6:00pm Cash bar opens

8:00-9:30pm Tonight Show-style Q&A with visiting falconers – Hosted by Simon “Leno” Etherington!

SATURDAY NOV 15

8:00am Meet in hotel lobby. *Group picture with birds.* Sign up for morning and afternoon hunting groups

9:00am Split into hunting groups and depart for field

12:00-1:00pm Buffet lunch at hotel

1:00pm Split into afternoon hunting groups and depart for field

5:00-6:00pm Raffle price drop-off at hotel

5:00pm Cash bar opens

6:15pm Banquet, Keynote Speaker and Raffle

SUNDAY NOV 16

8:00am Meet in hotel lobby. Split into hunting groups. No formal afternoon program



FRIDAY EVENING PROGRAM

Marketplace – Falconry items for sale 4-8pm

If you make or sell falconry equipment, supplies, art, hawk food, breed raptors or have a business related to falconry, we hope you will set up a table to sell your goods. Items for sale could include gloves, leashes, bells, perches, hoods, giant hoods, hawk food and vitamins, clothing etc.

Captive breeders who are selling birds may also wish to set up a table providing contact information, pictures, artwork, video, and perhaps a bird for display purposes.

There is no charge to club members for tables. The Marketplace will run from 4pm-8pm. Vendors may re-open their tables after the speaker program ends at 9:30 pm if they wish. If you are interested in having a vendor table, please contact Aaron Putnins at aaron.putnins@gmail.com.

“Tonight Show with Jay Leno” / Q&A Interviews with Falconers. 8-9:30pm

Everything you always wanted to know about falconry but were afraid to ask! Using a talk show format our very own “Jay Leno” (sort of) will interview our keynote speaker, other guests and perhaps one of our own.

Be prepared for a fascinating and light-hearted look at some of falconry’s finer points.

SATURDAY KEYNOTE SPEAKER: STEVE LAYMAN



Steve Layman began flying prairie falcons and red-tailed hawks in Washington State in 1959. His mentors included John Craighead and Frank Beebe. In those early days he would make yearly journeys across the border to spend time with Beebe in British Columbia, learning as much as he could.

Steve completed a Masters’ degree in Zoology coupling his interest in science with his affinity for raptors and the outdoors. He has earned a reputation as a very original thinker. Since turning his attention

to northern goshawks in the 1980’s, he has published numerous articles on conditioning and shaping the behavior of these birds, as well as definitive articles on goshawk aggression. Recently, Steve has been working on ingenious solutions for the prevention of aspergillosis by linking his observations of the birds in their natural state and in captivity.

Steve is a very sought-after speaker who is able to provide a wealth of information in a very accessible and entertaining style. We are very excited to be hosting Steve! His presentation is sure to be of interest of all falconers.