

Schedule for NW Lichenologists NWSA 2023 at Bellingham, WA

Be sure to check out the official schedule for non-lichen talks

21 Mar – Tues: NWSA-wide Social at 6-9, at the Alaska ferry terminal (355 Harris Avenue)

22 Mar – Wed.:

8:30 welcome and Land Acknowledgement

8:35 – 10:25 keynote speaker and plenary talks (NWL will sell T shirts during the breaks)

12:00-1:30: lunch on own - find another lichenologist!

1:30-4:00 miscellaneous NWSA talks, check them out!

OR: 1:30 PM Forest Service lichen training and certification plot at TBA location, run by Amanda Hardman. A plot will be set up and those who are interested can come test themselves, or be certified for plot sampling. This is a typical FIA or ARM plot of about an acre and you collect as many species as you can find. See details of certification plots on NW Lichenologists website. To participate, contact Amanda Hardman at: amanda.hardman@usda.gov

OR: Short informal lichen foray in Sehome Hill Arboretum which is adjacent to WWU.

4:00-6:00 poster session

6:15 or so: NWL dinner - Meet for socializing and drinks at Stones Throw Brewery (1009 Larrabee Ave.). For dinner, there will be a food truck there or we can get pizza at Pizzazza right across the street (1501 12th Street).

Thurs Mar 23

9:15- 10:15 Fred Rhoades stereo lichens,

AND 2-3 minute lightning talks. let Daphne know if you would like to present

10:30-11:50 - lichen talks (Session 12)

12:00-1:45 NWSA business lunch, **free to all registered participants!**

2:30 -4:30 workshop - ID from field trip, Daphne Stone will give a short talk about *Usnea* identification, play USNOKU?

4:45 Poster awards

6:00 Lichenologists dinner - Meet at Brandywine Kitchen (1317 Commercial Street) – Fred is going to see if we can reserve the balcony part of the restaurant for our group.

For dessert we can head to Pure Bliss Desserts (1424 Cornwall Ave) This place is amazing!

Fri Mar 24 8:30 at Academic Instruction Center West at WWU to figure out carpools then meet at the North Chuckanut Parking Area (easy to Google) at 8:45, reorganize if needed into less cars, then meet the City Parks person to take us to arrive at Woodstock Farm by 9:00. The field trip is to Woodstock Farm then up to the Cyrus Lookout Area back by 2:00. Folks who want to leave early can leave after Woodstock.

Other field trip spots if you want to head out on your own:

Up Mt. Baker Highway to the MP 43 Old Growth Forest Area (look for turnout on the left after the Milepost 43 marker). Other side trips are possible to Nooksack Falls, the Trail to Horseshoe Bend (near USFS Douglas Fir Campground).

If the snow level is low that week, we can hike in Arroyo Park (relatively close to WWU), or drive up to the Cleator Road to the Cyrus Gates Overlook (off of Chuckanut Drive with a great view of the San Juan Islands)