

GAME 2020

THE EVENT FOR GAME MANAGERS

Friday 2 October 2020
LIVE-STREAM EVENT



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Hosted by the Game & Wildlife Conservation Trust - we will be running this Live-Stream Event via the Zoom video conferencing service, and attendees will be sent a link and instructions once they have booked.

Game 2020 will bring game managers up-to-date with the latest research advice relevant to lowland game shoots, as well as aiming to promote good practice in the game and wildlife management sector. The talks are delivered by a wide variety of industry experts giving delegates the opportunity to discuss topical subjects highly relevant to the future of shooting.

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What do we aim to achieve?

1. To update stakeholders involved in game management on key subjects affecting the industry with a series of talks from GWCT staff and external speakers.
2. To share essential GWCT research and advice with the game management sector.
3. To provide a forum for people to meet and discuss issues within game management.
4. Provide an opportunity for industry decision makers to listen to practitioners and stimulate two-way dialogue and provide an opportunity for all involved to learn about advances in both research and practice.
5. To promote good practice in game management across the sector.

Programme

Chairman Austin Weldon, GWCT

09:10 LOGIN AND JOIN US ONLINE

09:20 **Welcome/introduction**

Teresa Dent, GWCT

09:30 **Delivering shoot biodiversity**

Dr Roger Draycott, GWCT

10:00 **The ecological effects of gamebird releasing**

Dr Rufus Sage, GWCT

10:30 **Best practice rearing of gamebirds**

Dr Kenny Nutting, St David's Poultry Team

11:00 BREAK

11:30 **Waitrose – our stance on lead shot**

John Gregson, Waitrose

12:00 **The Danish experience of life without lead shot**

Dr Niels Kanstrup, Aarhus University

12:30 **Shotgun and cartridge ballistics**

Simon West, Gun Trade Association

13:00 LUNCH

14:00 **General licences (England and Wales)**

Dr Roger Draycott/Matt Goodall, GWCT

14:30 **Tunnel trapping – light at the end of the tunnel?**

Austin Weldon, GWCT

15:00 **GWCT courses and training**

Dr Mike Swan, GWCT

15:15 **Summing up**

Dr Mike Swan, GWCT

15:30 FINISH

Speaker biographies



TERESA DENT CBE
GAME & WILDLIFE CONSERVATION TRUST
With a degree in agriculture, Teresa has been CEO of the GWCT since 2001. She is also a board member of the Marlborough Downs Nature Enhancement Partnership and a director of the Game & Wildlife Scottish Demonstration Farm. She was awarded a CBE for services to wildlife conservation in the 2015 Queen's Birthday Honours List.



DR ROGER DRAYCOTT
GAME & WILDLIFE CONSERVATION TRUST
From a farming background and with a PhD in pheasant ecology, Roger has worked at the GWCT since 1993. Roger provides advice on game management and wildlife conservation to farmers, shoot managers, conservation organisations and the agricultural supply chain.



DR RUFUS SAGE
GAME & WILDLIFE CONSERVATION TRUST
Rufus is interested in solving problems where game and other land management practices might affect wildlife habitat interests on farmland and in woodland. He oversees the GWCT's research on pheasants and red-legged partridges, particularly issues around releasing for shooting.



DR KENNY NUTTING
ST DAVID'S POULTRY TEAM
Kenny grew up in the rural county of Dorset. He studied at the Royal Veterinary College in London, and joined St David's Poultry Team in the summer of 2013. He strongly believes in delivering proactive preventative medicine rather than firefighting diseases. In 2018, he joined the Board of Directors of St David's Poultry Team as Game Director.



JOHN GREGSON
WAITROSE
A farmer's son from Lancashire, John has been with Waitrose in a variety of communications and public affairs roles for more than 20 years. He has a particular interest in understanding and mitigating reputational risk in agriculture, especially in the farm animal welfare and the environmental sectors.



DR NIELS KANSTRUP
AARHUS UNIVERSITY
Niels is a Danish biologist and has worked in wildlife management and hunting since 1985. He has expertise in issues relating to non-toxic ammunition where he has been involved in studies, meetings and clinics globally, concerning its use and efficacy.



SIMON WEST OBE
GUN TRADE ASSOCIATION
Simon is the Executive Director of the Gun Trade Association, representing the Trade and Members' interests in the political and regulatory environments. He deals with technical queries and plans the Association's activities to protect and promote the Trade. He is an MOD deer manager and member of a small walked-up shoot on Salisbury Plain.



MATT GOODALL
GAME & WILDLIFE CONSERVATION TRUST
Matt previously worked as an ecological consultant, biodiversity officer and game management lecturer. He joined the GWCT in July 2018 as an advisor and has played a vital role in building the GWCT's profile in Wales working on our Welsh projects and undertaking advisory visits, biodiversity assessments, training courses and talks across Wales.



AUSTIN WELDON
GAME & WILDLIFE CONSERVATION TRUST
Austin joined the GWCT in 2003 working on lowland gamebird research and later went on to work in the predation department. He now delivers advice and training to gamekeepers, wildlife managers and landowners, and oversees the management of the GWCT's Allerton Project shoot at Loddington.



DR MIKE SWAN
GAME & WILDLIFE CONSERVATION TRUST
Mike is head of education and southern regional advisor at GWCT, where he has been part of the team since 1982. Mike lives in Dorset, where he runs a rough shoot on a 1,000 acre mainly arable farm, carrying out a range of conservation measures through stewardship and other schemes.

Your vision, our mission

Our Advisory team is highly experienced across all land management disciplines.

If you're a farmer, gamekeeper, practitioner or facilitator in the land management sector contact us for specialist advice today.



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