

## Northeast DSA Meeting Updates

### No. 1 (Sent 15 June 2014)

Greetings,

Here's the first in a series of updates on the 2014 Northeast regional meeting of the Dragonfly Society of the Americas from June 26-29 in Binghamton, NY. This update is mostly about finalizing our list of who's attending as well as some other early logistics. It's important stuff. Please hold your questions about dragonflies and field sites and schedules. We'll be updating you on that in future updates (collect the whole set!).

1) We believe our most up-to-date list of attendees is here: <http://bryanpfeiffer.com/nedsa-attendees/> If you know of someone missing from this list, please let me know that person's name and email ASAP. Reply only to me and not to the full email list. Thanks. I also need email addresses for Callin Switzer, Susie Gagliardi, and Jacob Peters.

2) Our field outings begin Friday morning. But we need to know how many of you might be in Binghamton Thursday evening for a possible group supper. If you have not yet already told me when you're arriving, please do so now. Again, reply only to me. I need to know this ASAP -- no later than June 18. Thanks.

3) We'll schedule a bit of time Friday evening for short, informal presentations. If you care to present anything, please let me know your topic. I suspect we'll limit each presentation to no more than 30 minutes or so.

4) We're planning a barbecue after our field day Saturday evening -- burgers, dogs, baked beans, etc. We'll pass the hat to cover expenses. How many vegetarians in the group? Once again, please reply only to me.

5) We'll have site maps for everyone, but you would do well to bring a DeLorme atlas map for New York.

6) Our rough schedule is this:

- June 26 (Thursday evening): arrive to and informally convene in Binghamton at the hotel and elsewhere.

Possible group supper.

- June 27: Meet at the Best Western at 8:30am to break into field trip groups for a full day in the field. (You'll pack a lunch.) Supper on your own. Convene possibly for presentations at the hotel that night.

- June 28: Another field day. Barbecue picnic at the park that evening.

- June 29 (Sunday): More optional group field time or wandering on your own. This tends to be a flexible and informal day unless we're rained out on Saturday.

I'm in Wisconsin at the DSA annual meeting. So you probably won't get a quick email reply from me. You can find my national DSA meeting updates here: <http://bryanpfeiffer.com/dsa/>

See you soon!

Best,

Bryan, Nick and Ailsa

## **No. 1 (Sent 22 June 2014)**

Greetings,

This Northeast DSA update features documents you'll want to read and print for guidance and enlightenment during the meeting, which begins with our informal gathering at the Best Western in Johnson City Thursday evening. But first:

1) Phone Numbers (if you must reach us about directions or other logistics)

- Nick and Ailsa at home: 607.722.4939
- Nick's cell: 607.644.8696
- Ailsa's cell: 607.206.3825
- Bryan cell: 802.454.4640

2) We have nothing formal planned for Thursday evening. But our custom is to gather at the hotel ("Meeting Central") at 6 PM or so for mingling and dinner excursions in small groups. (We'll have restaurant suggestions.) If you're new to DSA meetings, look for amiable people with wet feet or hand lenses.

3) Attached are two meeting documents (PDFs) and five site maps (JPGs). Read 'em, print 'em, bring 'em. We'll have extras at the meeting. You'll can also download the documents from the NEDSA web page: [www.bryanpfeiffer.com/nedsa](http://www.bryanpfeiffer.com/nedsa)

4) Although we have maps for you, we do advise that you bring a NY DeLorme atlas, particularly if you want to venture out on your own.

5) Finally, in case this email went to spam for some recipients, I'll send it again (without attachments) via Constant Contact later this evening.

We'll see you in Binghamton!

Best,  
Nick, Ailsa and Bryan

P.S. Find dispatches from the national DSA meeting in Wisconsin here: <http://bryanpfeiffer.com/dsa/>