

TAKE YOUR CHILD TO WORK DAY



This April, we hosted some special young guests for Take Your Child to Work Day. On this day each year, millions of children across the USA join a parent or guardian at their place of work to glimpse future career possibilities and areas of interest. The day offers kids a chance to take their learning outside of the classroom and discover new skills that can be useful in the workplace and in everyday life.

We prepared a variety of activities for the children to welcome them to the world of animal tracking. To begin, we introduced them to our company's origins and

how we have adapted our devices to suit many sizes and species of birds and fish.

They got to hear the story of a local species being tracked with our transmitters, and eagerly shared their own observations and interactions with species in the area. Later, our engineers and developers explained some of the exciting applications of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) and how those four areas of study can intertwine with fun results.

Afterwards, we let our young researchers practice their team-building skills to complete a group project, then get creative and build their own PTTs out of paper. (See page 4 to build your own model PTT at home!) With their new knowledge of animal migration, we then asked them to write stories describing the migration of the birds they would track with their PTTs. The resulting imaginative tales showcased each child's bright personality and even introduced some exciting new species!

Both the kids and our staff had a blast spending the day together. We hope that we sent our participants home with happy memories and a greater appreciation of the many species with which we share our planet. By taking the time to foster their respect for our planet and all of its creatures, we can be confident that our children will carry on the challenge of conservation for years to come.



What is Your Wildest Story?

All kinds of unexpected things can happen to a transmitter. Simply read Teague Scott's article (page 2) if you don't believe us!

If you have a wild story to tell, we want to hear it!

Send us a short email describing your strange or funny tracking experience. We will feature one of these stories in our upcoming winter newsletter and the author will receive a prize!

Please send all entries to support@microwavetelemetry.com



Wow! Did that really happen?

Submissions due by November 1, 2019

Photo by Mike Grosso, Michigan Osprey

CHRISTIANE HOWEY RISING SCHOLAR AWARD

CALL FOR ENTRIES

In addition to granting many educational awards for transmitters over the years, Christiane Howey quietly found ways to help young researchers and start-up programs. To honor Chris, and to carry on in her spirit of generosity, we are proud to offer this annual award in her name.

This award is intended to provide researchers who are starting out their careers with the means to get their projects off the ground. The recipient will receive five transmitters of his/her choice. Proposals should be a maximum of 5 pages and include an outline of the project indicating the scope and expected outcome. Please include a timeline and let us know what model of transmitter you are interested in using. Applicants are encouraged to include an educational component in their research, but this is not required. The recipient will be responsible for any Argos (or GSM) data distribution costs and any duties/taxes.

Proposals will be accepted through **October 15, 2019** and reviewed by an internal committee prior to the publication of our winter issue of *Tracker News*. The award recipient will be notified in late December to schedule a production slot. For more information, please email support@microwavetelemetry.com or visit our website.

