



User Guide for
Center for Conservation Biology Osprey Watch
Delaware Fish and Wildlife Monitoring Group

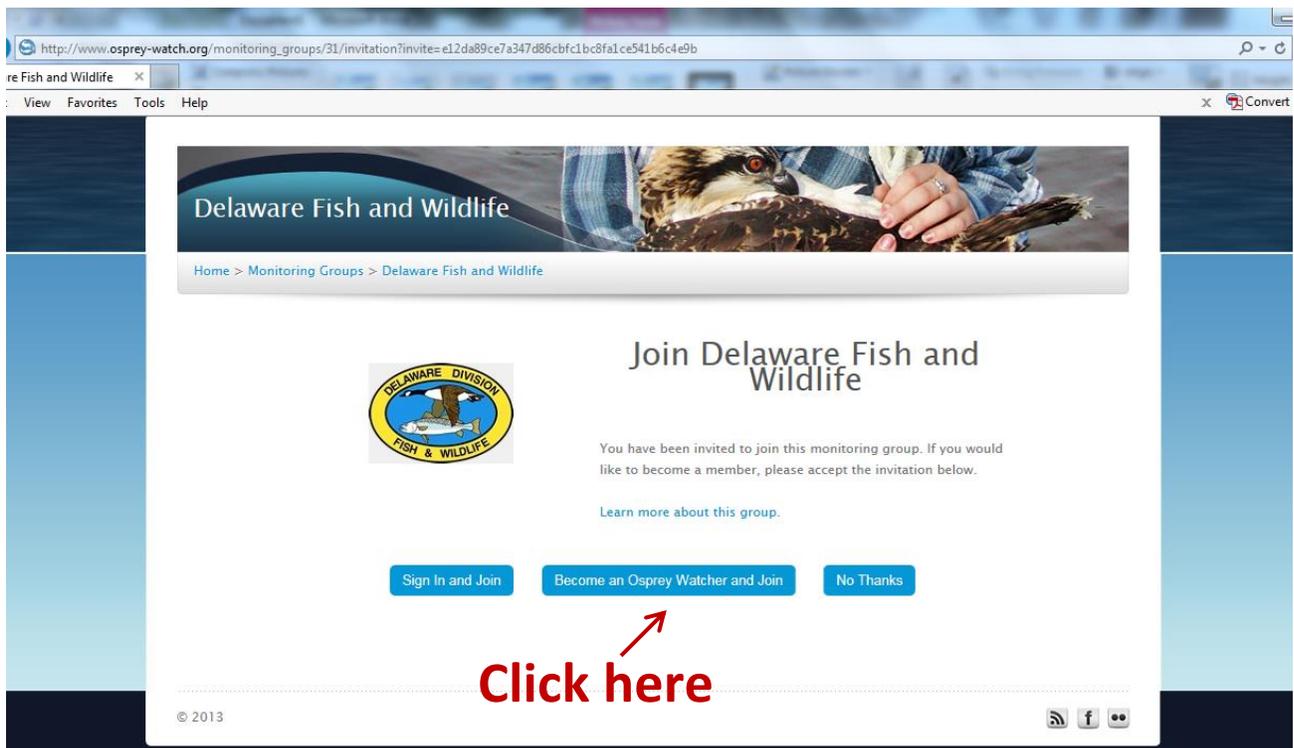


We hope this User Guide helps volunteers get oriented to the Osprey Watch website smoothly. Please contact the Center for Conservation Biology directly at <http://www.osprey-watch.org/contact/>.

PART I: REGISTRATION

Visit the following link to accept your invitation to join the Delaware Fish and Wildlife Monitoring Group with the Center for Conservation Biology Osprey Watch: http://www.osprey-watch.org/monitoring_groups/31/invitation?invite=e12da89ce7a347d86cbfc1bc8fa1ce541b6c4e9b.

The link will take you to the page below. Click on **Become an Osprey Watcher and Join**.



This will prompt you to a registration page.

Step 1: Register

Fill out the required fields (marked with an asterisk) and any additional information you would like to provide. When you are done, click **Register** at the bottom of the page.

Step 1: Register

Welcome to OspreyWatch. When you create an account, your name and designated e-mail address will be stored in a database as a registered observer to enable us to build a network of observers and to track submitted observations. Your personal information will not be sold, traded, or shared.

You have also been invited to join the monitoring group "Delaware Fish and Wildlife." You will become a member after you register.

Email*

Password*

Password confirmation*

Nickname*

Your nickname will be used for public display on this site.

First name*

Last name*

Country*

State/Region*

Street

City

Postal code

Telephone

Skype

Organization

Upload square avatar

Or choose one below







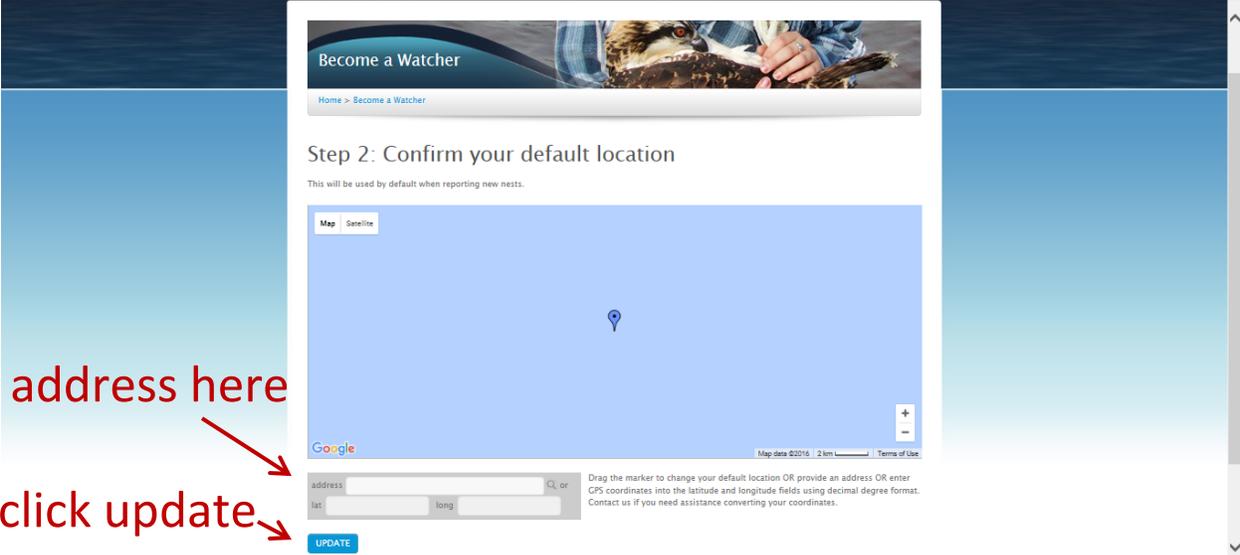


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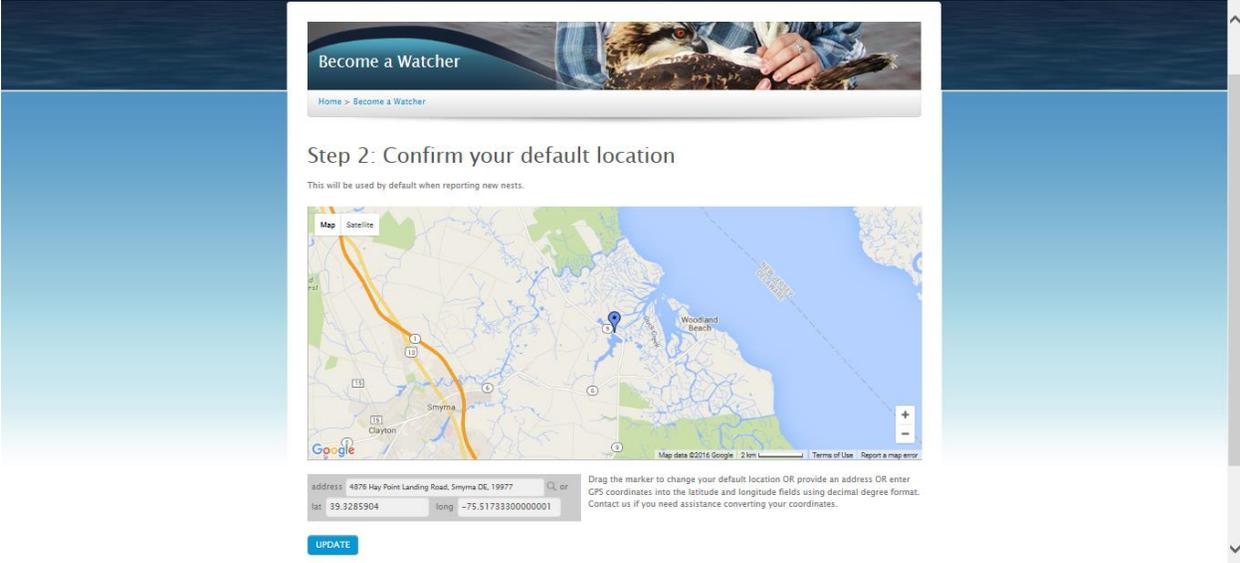
Step 2: Confirm your default location

Fill in an address or coordinates for your default location. If you do not want to include your personal address, you may use the Delaware Division of Fish and Wildlife Species Conservation and Research Program address: 6180 Hay Point Landing Road, Smyrna DE, 19977



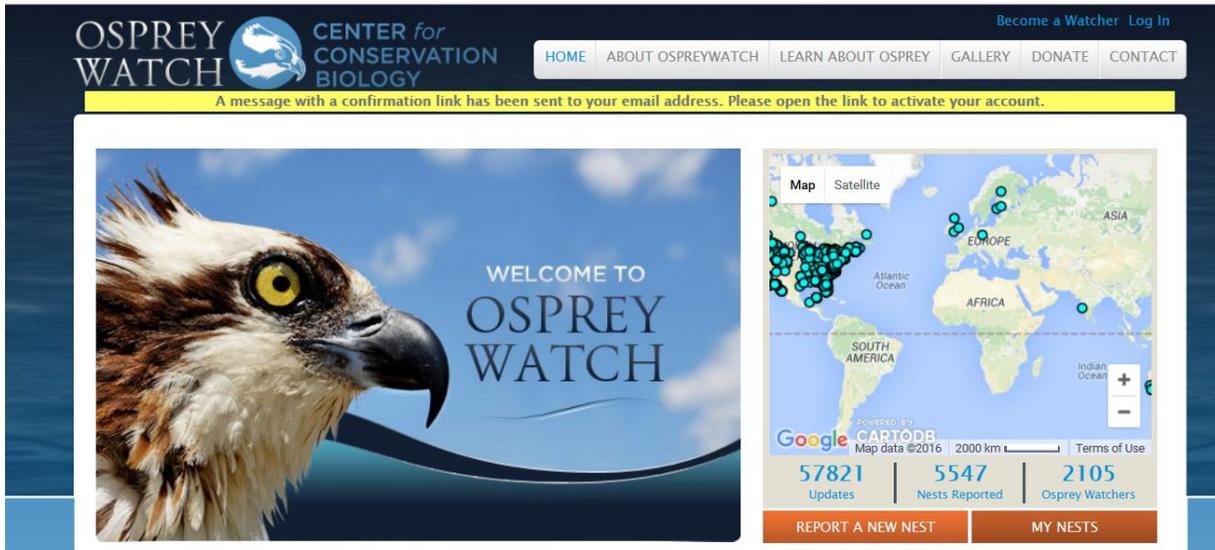
The screenshot shows the 'Step 2: Confirm your default location' page. The page header includes 'Become a Watcher' and a navigation link 'Home > Become a Watcher'. Below the header, the title 'Step 2: Confirm your default location' is displayed, followed by the instruction: 'This will be used by default when reporting new nests.' A Google Map is shown with a blue location pin in the center of a blank map. Below the map, there are input fields for 'address', 'lat', and 'long', along with a search icon and an 'UPDATE' button. Red text annotations with arrows point to the 'address' field, stating 'Enter address here', and to the 'UPDATE' button, stating 'Then click update'.

Once you enter the address and click update, the map will show your default location.

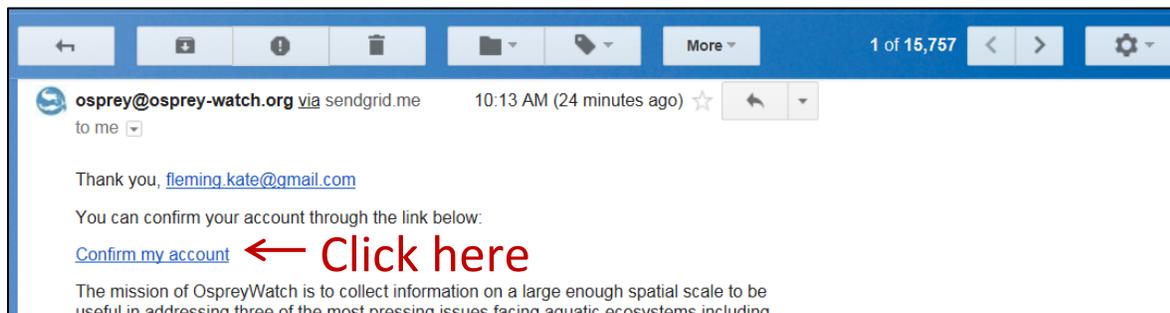


The screenshot shows the 'Step 2: Confirm your default location' page after the address has been entered. The map now displays a detailed view of the area around Smyrna, Delaware, with a blue location pin placed on the map. Below the map, the 'address' field contains '4878 Hay Point Landing Road, Smyrna DE, 19977'. The 'lat' field contains '39.3285904' and the 'long' field contains '-75.51783300000001'. The 'UPDATE' button is still visible.

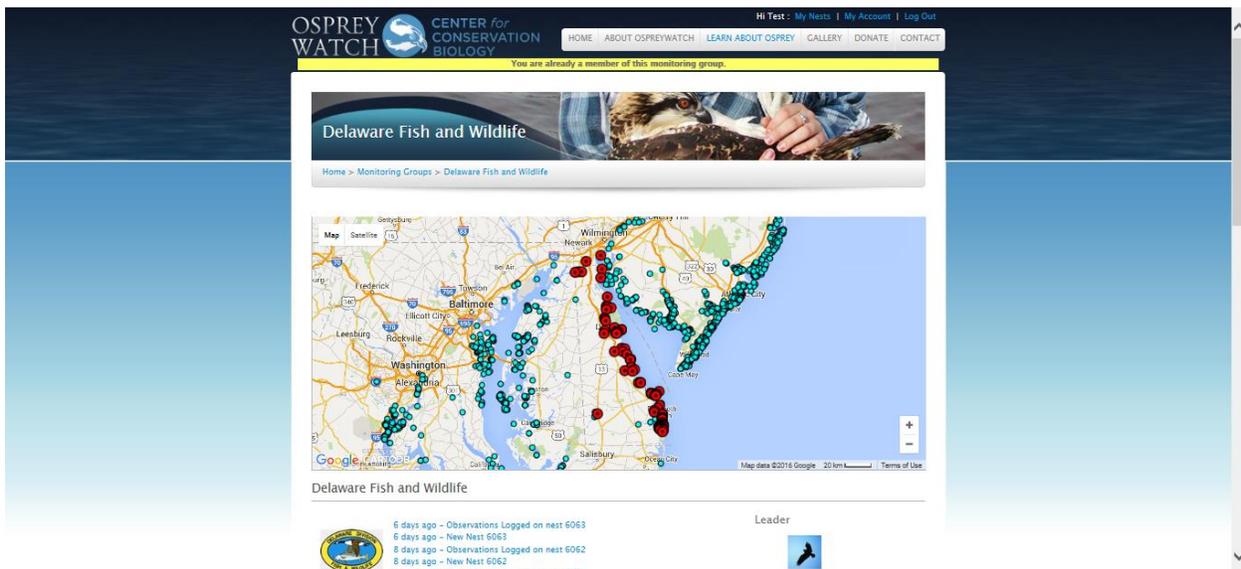
Step 4: You will be returned to the Osprey Watch Home Page. A message in a yellow box will direct you to open the confirmation link that has been sent to your email.



Log into your email and open the email sent from Osprey@osprey-watch.org. Click Confirm my account.



You are now a member of the Delaware Fish and Wildlife Monitoring Group. You can now enter data!

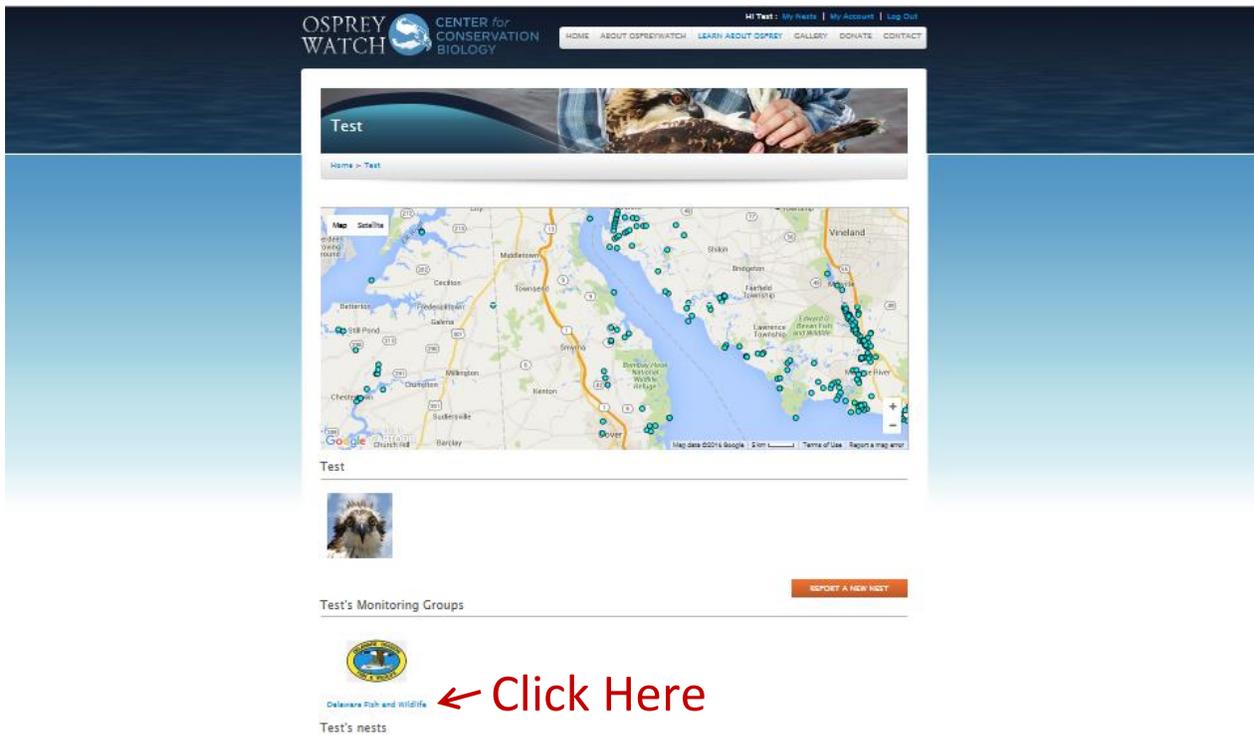


Part II: Entering Data on an Existing Nest

Visit <http://www.osprey-watch.org/> and Log In using the link to the top right of the screen.



You will be brought to your personal page, showing the nickname you entered in at registration on the top left of the page (in this case, the nickname is Test). Click on Delaware Fish and Wildlife to identify nests already included in the Delaware Fish and Wildlife Monitoring Group.



Delaware Fish and Wildlife Nests will appear on a map in red, and a list of these nest sites will appear in a list below the map.

OSPREY WATCH CENTER for CONSERVATION BIOLOGY

Delaware Fish and Wildlife

Home > Monitoring Groups > Delaware Fish and Wildlife

Delaware Fish and Wildlife

6 days ago - Observations Logged on nest 6063
 6 days ago - New Nest 6063
 8 days ago - Observations Logged on nest 6062
 8 days ago - New Nest 6062
 9 days ago - Observations Logged on nest 5968
 9 days ago - Observations Logged on nest 6061

Leader
 Delaware Osprey Watch
 email

85 nests and 11 members
[Leave this group](#)

ID	Name	Substrate	Initial	Last Activity	Followers
2342	Port Mahon Rd #1	high line tower	10 months ago	4 months ago	1
2342	Port Mahon Rd #2	high line tower	10 months ago	4 months ago	1
2342	Port Mahon signal tower	steel light tower	10 months ago	4 months ago	1
2342	Little Creek cell tower	cell tower	10 months ago	4 months ago	1
1422	Camden Park 1	Power Line Medium	10 months ago	4 months ago	1

To enter data on a nest, click on a nest site by clicking on a red circle on the map and clicking open

Delaware Fish and Wildlife

Home > Monitoring Groups > Delaware Fish and Wildlife

DOHA01
 Added by Delaware Osprey Watch about 1 month ago
[Follow](#) | [Open](#)

Delaware Fish and Wildlife

6 days ago - Observations Logged on nest 6063
 6 days ago - New Nest 6063
 8 days ago - Observations Logged on nest 6062
 8 days ago - New Nest 6062
 9 days ago - Observations Logged on nest 5968
 9 days ago - Observations Logged on nest 6061

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OR if you know the nest ID find it on the list below and click on it.



Delaware Fish and Wildlife



- 6 days ago - Observations Logged on nest 6063
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- 9 days ago - Observations Logged on nest 6061

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Delaware Fish and Wildlife's Nests

ID	Name	Substrate	Added	Last Activity	Followers
<input type="checkbox"/> 5542	Port Mahon Rd #1	High line tower	10 months ago	3 months ago	1
<input type="checkbox"/> 5543	Port Mahon Rd #2	High line tower	10 months ago	3 months ago	1
<input type="checkbox"/> 5545	Port Mahon signal tower	steel light tower	10 months ago	3 months ago	1
<input type="checkbox"/> 5546	Little Creek cell tower	cell tower	10 months ago	3 months ago	1
<input type="checkbox"/> 5548	Bennetts Pier 1	Osprey Nest Platform	10 months ago	3 months ago	1
<input type="checkbox"/> 5552	S. Bowers Beach	Osprey Nest Platform	10 months ago	3 months ago	1
<input type="checkbox"/> 5893	Cape May-Lewes ferry pier	Ferry dock	7 months ago	3 months ago	1
<input type="checkbox"/> 5968	DOHA01	Utility Pole	about 1 month ago	9 days ago	You and 1 other
<input type="checkbox"/> 5980	109	Osprey Nest Platform	19 days ago	19 days ago	1

[Follow Checked Nests](#)

Click on the Nest ID

You will be brought to a page where you can view and enter in data associated with the nest. You will enter data under Nest Information (if needed), Activity Reports, and Nest Diaries. We also encourage you to take digital photos of the nest and upload them here as well.

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Hi Test : My Nests | My Account | Log Out

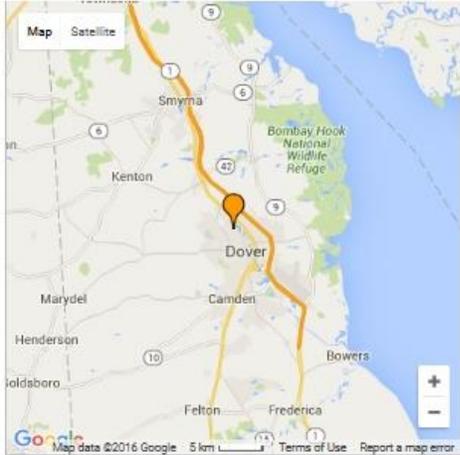
HOME ABOUT OSPREYWATCH LEARN ABOUT OSPREY GALLERY DONATE CONTACT

Nest #5968

Home > Nest #5968

Nickname:	DOHA01
Nest substrate:	Utility Pole
Nest Location Description:	
Nest Cam URL:	
Monitoring Groups:	Delaware Fish and Wildlife
Latitude:	39.178531583503
Longitude:	-75.5407251312828
Followers:	1

[EDIT NEST INFORMATION](#) [FOLLOW THIS NEST](#)



Past Seasons

Show reports, diaries, and photos from: [Current](#) [2015](#)

Activity reports

Help OspreyWatch capture benchmark breeding observations.

[CREATE AN ACTIVITY REPORT](#)

Photos of this nest

No photos yet this season. Contribute one!

[Browse...](#)

[POST NEW PHOTO](#)

Nesting Diaries

Help tell the story of this nest!

Date observed

[POST DIARY UPDATE](#)

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Entering Nest Information

If a nest has already been entered in the database, it is not likely that nest information will need to be updated. However, if you have supplemental information to provide (e.g. the substrate information is missing or incorrect; the location description is missing or is incomplete), then you can enter it by clicking on Edit Nest Information. Please Do Not change the Nest Nickname that has been assigned and double check that you are editing the proper nest.

The screenshot shows the 'Nest #5968' page on the Osprey Watch website. The page features a header with the Osprey Watch logo and navigation links. The main content area displays the nest's nickname (DOHA01), substrate (Utility Pole), location description, and monitoring groups (Delaware Fish and Wildlife). A map shows the nest's location near Dover, Delaware. A red arrow points to the 'EDIT NEST INFORMATION' button.

Click on Edit Nest

The information that goes here should correspond to the top part of your data sheet (see below), and it should not change during the breeding season. Note that in this case, the Nest ID (CCB) is 5968 and the nest nickname is DOHA01.

	Citizen Osprey Monitoring Project Delaware Division of Fish and Wildlife	
OBSERVER NAME _____	Nest ID (CCB) _____	
Nest Information:		
Nest Nickname _____		
NEST Substrate (circle one): Channel Marker Live Tree Dead Tree Osprey Nest Platform Utility Pole Duck Blind Other _____		
Nest Location Description (e.g. County, Closest Intersection, Landmarks): _____		

Activity Reports

Activity Reports are where you will capture key events that you observe during the breeding season. You will need to continually enter data under this section throughout the breeding season. Each time you have a new event to update, you will click on Create an Activity Report

The screenshot shows the OspreyWatch interface for a monitoring group named "Delaware Fish and Wildlife". It displays the following information:

- Monitoring Groups: Delaware Fish and Wildlife
- Latitude: 39.178531583503
- Longitude: -75.5407251312828
- Followers: 1

Below this information are two buttons: "EDIT NEST INFORMATION" and "FOLLOW THIS NEST". To the right is a map showing the location near Dover, Delaware, with a red pin. The map includes labels for Kenton, Marydel, Henderson, Felton, Camden, Frederica, Bowers, and the National Wildlife Refuge. A scale bar indicates 5 km.

Under the "Past Seasons" section, there are buttons for "Current" and "2015". Below that is the "Activity reports" section with the text "Help OspreyWatch capture benchmark breeding observations." and a prominent blue button labeled "CREATE AN ACTIVITY REPORT". A red arrow points to this button with the text "Click on Create an Activity Report".

to be prompted to the following page, where you will enter in relevant information:

The screenshot shows the "New Activity for the current Breeding Season" form. It includes the following fields and instructions:

- Date of pair arrival:** A text input field with a placeholder "mm/dd/yyyy". Below it is a paragraph: "In northern latitudes where the breeding population is migratory, the arrival of adults to nest sites in the spring is an important milestone. Record the date when breeding male (up to 25% smaller with breast typically clearer white giving a greater contrast between breast and wings) and female (larger than male, most populations having a dirty necklace band resulting in less contrast to dark wings compared to male) are first observed perching on the nest or surrounding structures."
- Is the nest occupied?:** A dropdown menu with a downward arrow. Below it is a question: "Have you seen two adult osprey together at the nest during the breeding season? Select yes to indicate this nest is occupied by a pair of osprey. Select no if you have seen less than two osprey at the nest."
- Date of egg laying:** A text input field with a placeholder "mm/dd/yyyy". Below it is the text: "First day eggs observed in nest."
- Date of incubation initiation:** A text input field with a placeholder "mm/dd/yyyy". Below it is a paragraph: "Record the first day that incubation behavior is observed. Incubation is characterized by the bird sitting down in the nest and exhibiting a posture with a flat back. Both males and females alternate incubation duties. Note that during the period leading up to laying the first egg females will spend more time on the nest, often sitting in the nest but will not exhibit incubation posture for long periods."

On the right side of the form, there is a section titled "Other Activity Reports" with a link: "2015 Season by Delaware Osprey Watch". A "[change season]" link is located at the top right of the form.

The data that are entered in the Activity Report of the website should correspond to the backside of your datasheet, also titled Activity Reports:

Activity Reports

Stay alert for the following behaviors and “first time” events during all surveys as well as casual observation. Use the space below to note the date and relevant observations.

- 1. Date of pair arrival:** Beginning in early March, observe for the arrival of adults and their staking claim to nests. Look for nest-building, guarding and nest repair behaviors.
Date:

- 2. Is the nest occupied?** (Have you seen two adult osprey together at the nest during the breeding season?)

- 3. Date of egg laying:** *It is unlikely that volunteers will be able to observe eggs in the nest. Do not approach the nest.*
Date:

Sunday, February 14, 2016

Nesting Diaries:

Nesting Diaries are where you will enter in the details that you observe each time you monitor a nest. Information here is captured in a narrative form. Note that the date associated with the diary will be the date you post it, so if the day you observed the nest is different from the day you post the diary, please make sure to include the date of observation in your narrative.

EDIT NEST INFORMATION UNFOLLOW THIS NEST

Past Seasons

Show reports, diaries, and photos from: **Current** 2015

Activity reports

Help OspreyWatch capture benchmark breeding observations.

CREATE AN ACTIVITY REPORT

Photos of this nest

No photos yet this season. Contribute one!

Browse... POST NEW PHOTO

Nesting Diaries

Help tell the story of this nest!

Enter your diary information here

Date observed 02/14/2016

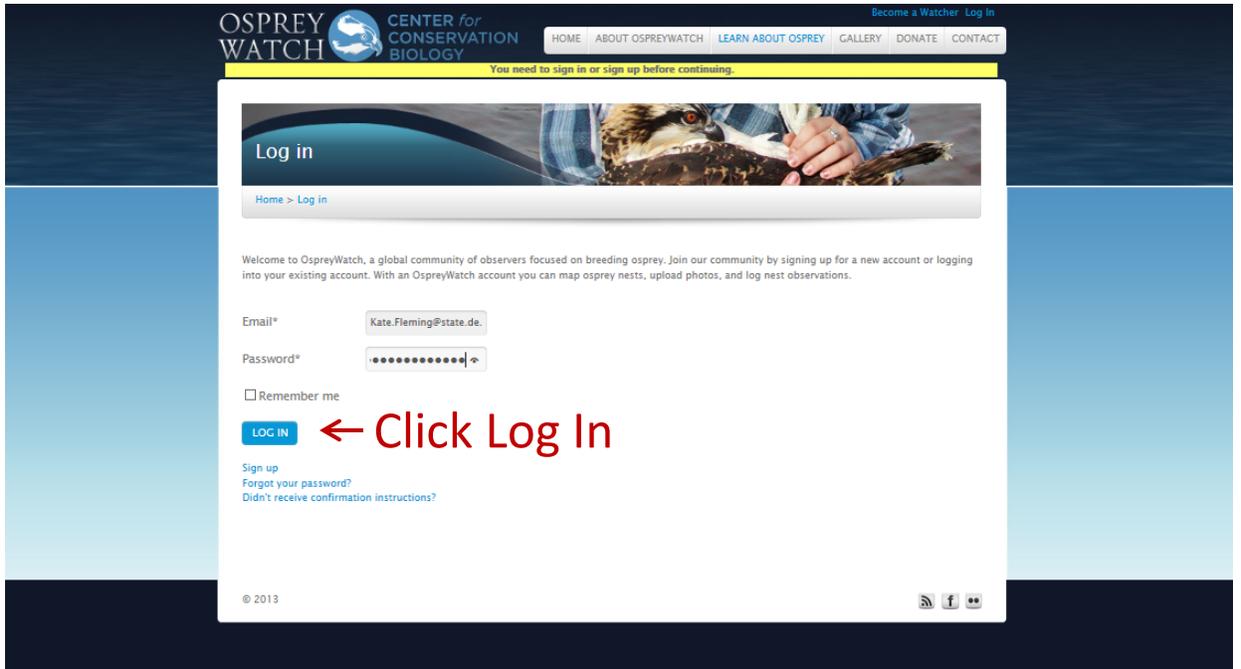
POST DIARY UPDATE

Write your narrative here

Then click Post Diary Update

PART III: Reporting a New Nest

Visit <http://www.osprey-watch.org/> and Log In using the link at the top of the screen.



You will be brought to your page, showing your nickname you entered in at registration (in this case, the nickname is Test). Click on Report a New Nest.

The screenshot shows the user profile page for 'Test' on the Osprey Watch website. At the top, the site logo 'OSPREY WATCH CENTER for CONSERVATION BIOLOGY' is visible, along with navigation links: HOME, ABOUT OSPREYWATCH, LEARN ABOUT OSPREY, GALLERY, DONATE, CONTACT. The user's name 'Test' is displayed in a header with a photo of a person holding an osprey. Below this is a breadcrumb trail 'Home > Test' and a map of Delaware showing osprey nesting locations marked with green pins. A 'REPORT A NEW NEST' button is highlighted with a red arrow and the text 'Click Report a New Nest'. Below the map, there is a profile picture of an osprey, a section for 'Test's Monitoring Groups' featuring the Delaware Fish and Wildlife logo, and a section for 'Test's nests'.

On the right side of the screen you will need to place a point where the nest is located. You can enter in an address to help you find it, but you will need to refine the location by zooming in on the map. Please place the pin as accurately as possible. On the left side of the screen, you will be required to enter nest substrate information. We encourage you to fill out all fields as completely as possible, and please remember to click on Delaware Fish and Wildlife under Monitoring Groups. Then click Create the Nest at the bottom of the page.

New Nest

Home > New Nest

Nest nickname

Nest substrate*

Nest location description

Nest Cam URL

Monitoring Group(s)
 Delaware Fish and Wildlife
 Don't see you group listed here? [Contact OspreyWatch](#) to request creation of a new monitoring group.

CREATE NEST ← Click Create Nest

The information that goes here should correspond to the top part of your data sheet, and it should not change during the breeding season:

 Citizen Osprey Monitoring Project Delaware Division of Fish and Wildlife 	
OBSERVER NAME _____	Nest ID (CCB) _____
Nest Information: Nest Nickname _____ NEST Substrate (circle one): Channel Marker Live Tree Dead Tree Osprey Nest Platform Utility Pole Duck Blind Other _____ Nest Location Description (e.g. County, Closest Intersection, Landmarks): _____	

Once the nest has been created, you will be brought to the following page to enter in data about the nest during the breeding season. See **Part II** of the User Guide for information on how to enter information in about the nest.

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HOME ABOUT OSPREYWATCH LEARN ABOUT OSPREY GALLERY DONATE CONTACT

Nest was successfully created.

Nest #6067

Home > Nest #6067

Nickname:	Test Nest
Nest substrate:	Osprey Nest Platform
Nest Location Description:	
Nest Cam URL:	
Monitoring Groups:	Delaware Fish and Wildlife
Latitude:	39.4007877101412
Longitude:	-75.5887441328125
Followers:	You

EDIT NEST INFORMATION

Activity reports

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EDIT MY NEST ACTIVITY REPORT

For general questions regarding osprey, please contact our Raptor Biologist, Jordan Brown, at (302)735-3600.