

# Programme

6.00pm Arrival Christmas Drinks

6.40pm Introduction - CEO of The AST – Sarah Bayley Slater

6.45pm The AST Research Program – Research Director – Professor Ken Whelan

7.00pm Moray Firth Acoustic Tracking Program –  
AST Acoustic Tracking Co-ordinator – Dr Matt Newton

7.45pm Atlantic Salmon – Lost at Sea feature length film  
directed and produced by Deirdre Brennan (Optional)

Drinks

9.00pm Carriages

Raffle Tickets £20.00 - WILL BE DRAWN ON THE NIGHT

SEATS ARE LIMITED SO PLEASE BOOK IN EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT  
If you require any further information please contact Pamela Lowry  
in the office on 0131 221 6552 We very much look forward to seeing you.

## THE PRESIDENT OF THE ATLANTIC SALMON TRUST EARL PERCY

REQUESTS THE PLEASURE OF YOUR COMPANY TO

### CHRISTMAS DRINKS

AND

SUPPORTERS MEETINGS

ON TUESDAY DECEMBER 12TH at 6.00PM

THE MAYFAIR CURZON CINEMA LONDON

Programme of event on Back

RSVP [pamela@atlanticsalmontrust.org](mailto:pamela@atlanticsalmontrust.org)



THE FISHMONGERS' COMPANY



SCENE  
Loch Lomond



## The Atlantic Salmon Trust Research Program



The Atlantic Salmon Trust is embarking on an ambitious Research Program. The program culminates in our initiative to create the Likely Suspects Framework which brings together research from around the Atlantic to assess mortality of smolts during their migration. This will help to prioritise where action would be most effective and give fishery managers and policy makers a much clearer picture of where mortality is occurring. To help populate this model we are pursuing three exciting areas of research:

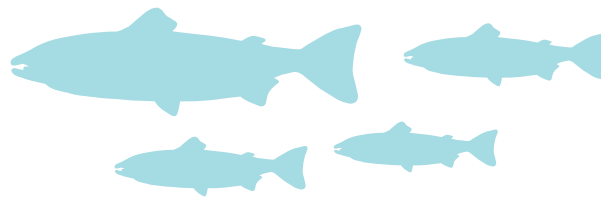
- Acoustic Tracking to gather information on smolt migration and survival.
- eDNA to determine if smolts are being caught as a unintended by-catch by pelagic trawlers.
- Aquaculture: To explore new ways to reduce the impact of Aquaculture on wild salmon.

## Acoustic Tracking Project



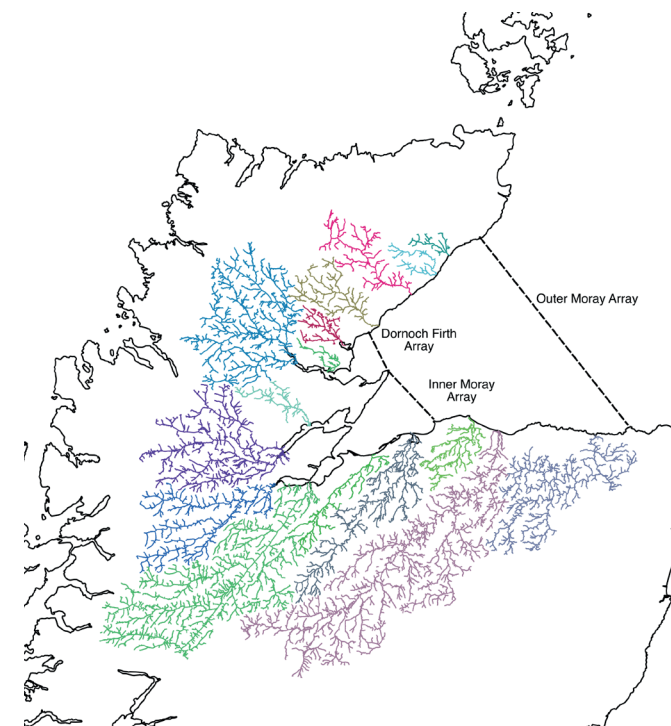
In 2017 the AST recruited Dr. Matt Newton as Coordinator for the Acoustic Tracking Project. This project, which will use the most advanced tracking technology, aims to determine the level and causes of mortality in salmon smolts as they migrate to sea and in the marine environment. Dr. Newton will present to you a major salmon tracking project proposed for the Moray Firth to take place in 2019.

This exciting project will track salmon further than ever before in UK waters and will be a pilot for work that can be developed on the West Coast to better understand the interactions of wild salmonids and fish farms.



## RIVERS IN THE ARRAY

Helmsdale  
Berriedale  
Evelix  
Brora  
Dunbeath  
Nairn  
Lossie  
Fleet  
Findhorn  
Beaulie  
Alness  
Carron  
Oykel  
Shin  
Conon  
Ness  
Findhorn  
Spey  
Deveron



## Atlantic Salmon - Lost at Sea (THE FILM)



Lost at Sea takes the viewer on an epic journey through the oceanic kingdom of the Atlantic Salmon in an attempt to unravel the mystery of their life at

sea. Populations of salmon are plummeting to critical levels, even going extinct in some southern rivers. Despite conservation efforts worldwide, populations continue to fall. The cause is mortality at sea. For the very first time, scientists are able to track the salmon from the rivers, through the estuaries and into the vast North Atlantic and back again in hopes of finding an answer before it is too late. Feature length film directed and produced by Deirdre Brennan, filmed by award winning wildlife cameraman Rick Rosenthal (The Blue Planet) and narrated by actor Gabriel Byrne.