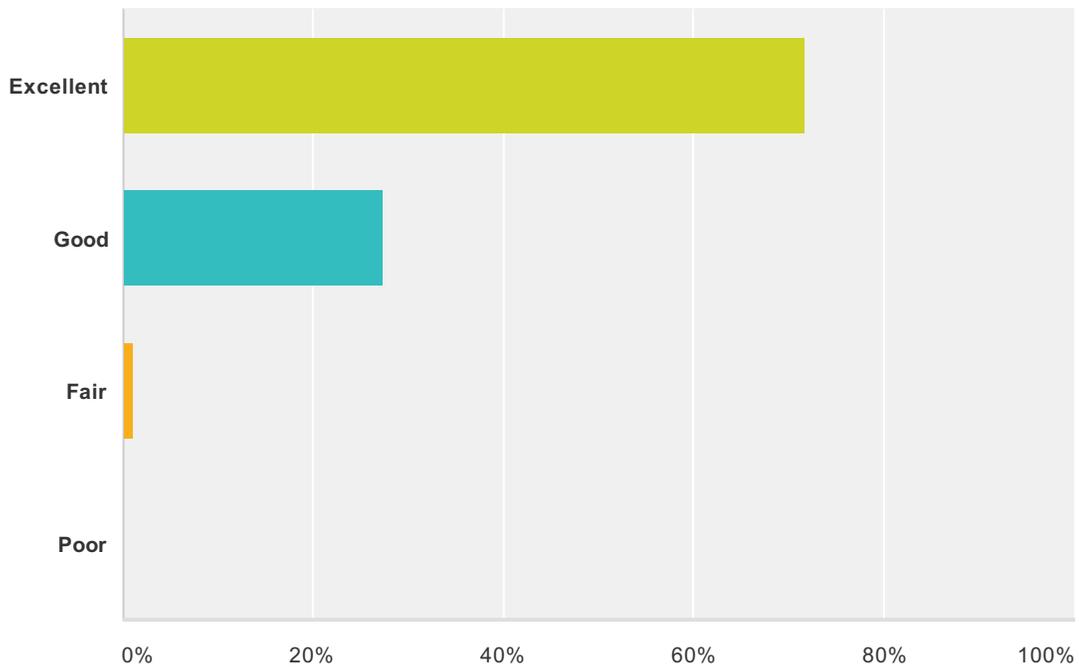


Q1 Do you feel the 2nd Annual Long Island Natural History Conference was a successful event?

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Answer Choices	Responses
Excellent	71.58% 68
Good	27.37% 26
Fair	1.05% 1
Poor	0% 0
Total	95

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1	It was well attended, the audience wanted to be there and I feel it overdue that we have educational programs about where we live and our direct and indirect influences on our environ.	12/26/2013 8:32 AM
2	It was my first year attending. So I cannot compare it to last years event. But, it was bigger (more attendees), better organized and offered a more robust program than I had imagined going in.	12/23/2013 11:42 AM
3	the material presented was covered adequately and professionally.	12/21/2013 2:57 PM
4	Interesting, informative panels. But almost totally white, middle-aged, and middle class.	12/19/2013 5:53 PM
5	It was great to have so many knowledgeable speakers and different topics to choose from.	12/18/2013 7:49 PM
6	Good topics. Sessions I wanted to see (popular ones?) were not concurrent, so I could attend those I was most interested in.	12/18/2013 10:05 AM
7	Very enjoyable presentations, and don't discount the pleasure of actually seeing and discussing things with naturalist peers - an opportunity that is so rare these days.	12/17/2013 11:57 PM
8	I really enjoyed many of the talks. I especially enjoyed the talks on plant and animal species but would enjoy talks on habitats as well.	12/17/2013 2:56 PM

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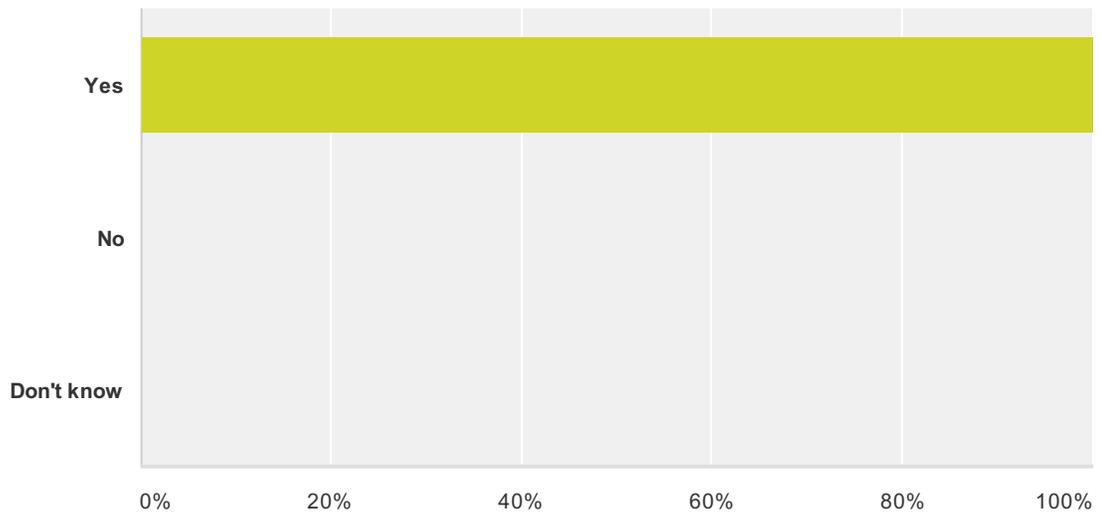
9	Interesting topics great speakers...comfortable facility	12/17/2013 10:30 AM
10	All interesting speakers, hard to choose!	12/17/2013 10:09 AM
11	yes. Good networking and good speakers.	12/17/2013 9:41 AM
12	For several days to weeks after the conference, I kept referring to the information I learned and the speakers I saw at the conference. It was a long day, but it did not feel boring or dragged out whatsoever.	12/17/2013 8:39 AM
13	The conference provided a forum for conservation professionals to interact with each other and the speakers. The displays of the organizations in the lobby were typical, but very good.	12/16/2013 4:13 PM
14	Great new presenters	12/16/2013 3:58 PM
15	It brought together all types of people from various organizations to exchange and share knowledge under one roof.	12/16/2013 3:47 PM
16	It was but I felt the topics and level of speakers was better last year. Concurrent sessions means not everything one might be interested in can be seen in person.	12/16/2013 1:50 PM
17	Wide array of topics. Speakers were very familiar with their topics and knew how to address an audience. Visual presentations were very good. Topics were generally timely and of interest to many.	12/16/2013 12:20 PM
18	interesting talks, food was plenty, timing good	12/16/2013 11:17 AM
19	great diversity of presentations; great opportunities for networking; very fair cost	12/16/2013 10:50 AM
20	great attendance, great speakers, and great audience	12/16/2013 9:20 AM
21	Building B was too small to accommodate the number of attendees.	12/16/2013 9:20 AM
22	There were multiple very interesting talks given and diverse topics to choose from.	12/16/2013 9:01 AM
23	I always enjoy hearing information regarding all of our wildlife and Natural History.	12/16/2013 7:50 AM
24	Excellent topics and presenters	12/15/2013 9:28 AM
25	Nearly all the presentation I attended were excellent. Networking was fun and productive.	12/14/2013 7:10 PM
26	This was my first year in attendance and I enjoyed the sessions I attended. Looking forward to next years event.	12/14/2013 5:25 PM
27	Well publicized, organized, speakers both interesting and varied -- and good food and drink!	12/14/2013 4:45 PM
28	Good info Good networking	12/14/2013 4:14 PM
29	Interesting topics. Excellent speakers.	12/14/2013 3:41 PM
30	Good turnout and a good mixture of people. It will grow as I told several people about it and they wished that they had gone.	12/14/2013 12:29 PM
31	Finally an event that brings all the natural history groups together at one time in one place.	12/14/2013 10:50 AM
32	I enjoyed the conference; however, there were presentations that I couldn't attend because they would overlap at the same time. Maybe next time have presentations at different times, so people can listen to all of the presenters.	12/14/2013 10:02 AM
33	I really liked the broad diversity of people in attendance - birders, botanists, and people from agencies like the DEC, EPA, soil and water districts and SeaGrant.	12/14/2013 9:02 AM
34	Had a great time! Sorry I had to leave at 5 pm.	12/14/2013 8:56 AM
35	The exhibit area was too crowded.	12/14/2013 7:56 AM
36	The speakers were interesting and engaging for the most part, the topics were well chosen. I appreciated the opportunity for questions - on a couple of the presentations I learned more from both the questions posed as well as the answers.	12/14/2013 7:20 AM
37	I hope it will continue. (Never heard about the first.)	12/13/2013 11:49 PM
38	Especially interested in the effects of Sandy and hopefully you keep reporting on longer term effects	12/13/2013 9:54 PM
39	I am very different then other participants I thought it was to specific	12/13/2013 9:31 PM

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40	it was great seeing so many nature organizations represented and networking with people and reconnecting with old friends.I picked up a lot of useful literature and several books and learned a lot from the displays and speakers.	12/13/2013 9:02 PM
41	This conference brings together folks from many different disciplines to discuss local environmental and natural history issues. This forum has been needed for years. Great job!	12/13/2013 8:47 PM
42	I liked the talks but unfortunately Room B was too small.	12/13/2013 8:15 PM
43	Several wonderful and informative talks. Well organized.	12/13/2013 7:58 PM
44	There were many excellent presentations, and the vibe from the audience was great.	12/13/2013 7:56 PM

Q2 Did you feel the speakers were knowledgeable?

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Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	100% 94
No	0% 0
Don't know	0% 0
Total	94

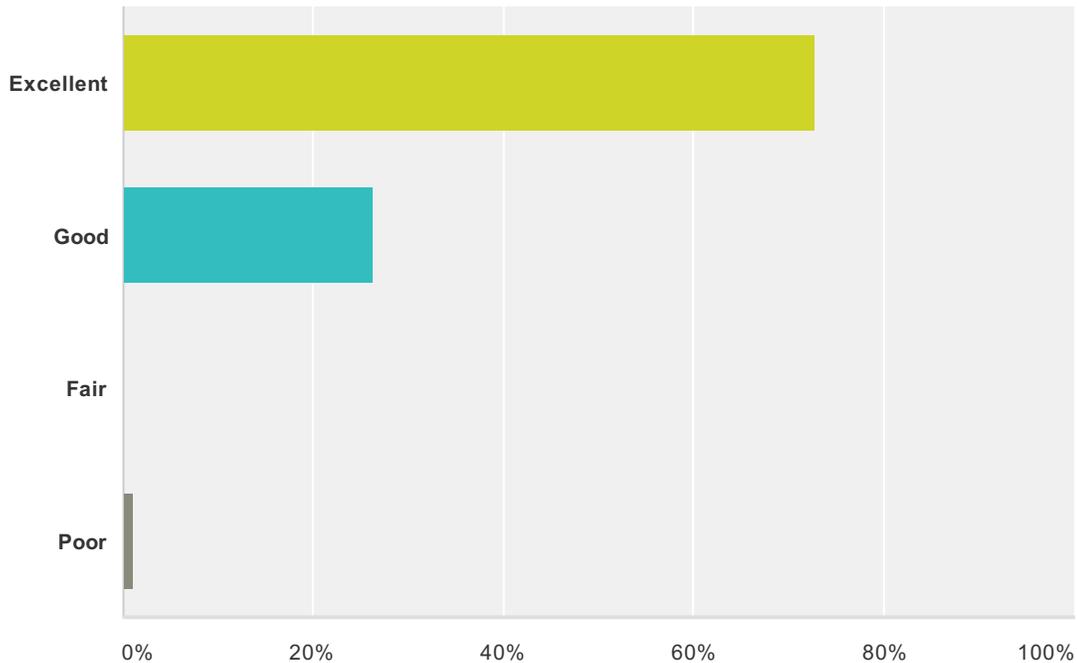
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1	nly rarely was a question not answered and I feel those instances will educate the speakers on what their audiences expect from them (it is not all that often you get intelligent questions!)	12/26/2013 8:32 AM
2	in the presentations i attended the speakers covered the material well.	12/21/2013 2:57 PM
3	Most speakers were. Some weren't as well spoken as some of the others as far as presenting in a compelling way.	12/20/2013 9:37 AM
4	Diverse range of expertise: physical and social scientists, gov't and NGO people, etc.	12/19/2013 5:53 PM
5	Although one suggestion would be to have the speakers provide a short summary of what they will cover.	12/18/2013 7:49 PM
6	I especially appreciated most of the speakers were "laid back" in their presentations. Casually answering questions. The informality made it feel more "hands on" in my own participation.	12/18/2013 10:05 AM
7	Wide ranging subject matter, but fantastically local too. I especially liked the bats presentation, but all of the presentations I attended were well put together, thorough and interesting.	12/17/2013 11:57 PM
8	Definitely!!	12/17/2013 2:56 PM
9	Experienced and credentialed	12/17/2013 10:30 AM
10	Absolutely. It was great to hear from those actually doing the research.	12/17/2013 10:09 AM
11	A wide range of speakers were selected, from researchers to government employees to experienced naturalists and they were all knowledgeable in Long Island's natural history. I presentations that I chose to attend, which at times was a hard decision, were all interesting (I attended all the B sections) and I took away information for each one of them.	12/17/2013 8:39 AM

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12	Very timely topics.	12/16/2013 10:57 PM
13	All of the speakers were enthusiastic and knowledgeable.	12/16/2013 3:58 PM
14	With the exception of one speaker who had to read from his notes using his finger to follow along, all the other speakers were knowledgeable of their topic.	12/16/2013 3:47 PM
15	In their respective topics, of course.	12/16/2013 7:50 AM
16	Excellent credentials as well as subject matter. Aside from a few DEC aquatic presenters	12/15/2013 9:28 AM
17	Generally yes although as with all speakers some are better at presentation and interaction with audience than others.	12/14/2013 5:25 PM
18	Yes, some might have given more information but overall knowledgeable	12/14/2013 4:45 PM
19	Yes and they could answer most questions.	12/14/2013 4:14 PM
20	knowledgeable, but some seemed to have a much more personal, intimate involvement with their information than others.	12/14/2013 12:48 PM
21	All knowledgeable - some were better speaker than others. Look for people that are enthusiastic about their work.	12/14/2013 12:29 PM
22	The history professor from Stony Brook may have known history, but, he didn't know environmental history, or if he did, he failed to demonstrate it. His talk was very disjointed, and I have no idea what his point was.	12/14/2013 9:02 AM
23	Excellent: Jennifer Higbie, Christopher Sellers, Hugh McGuinness, Scott Campbell, Michael Fishman, Steve Papa.	12/14/2013 8:56 AM
24	For the most part; some seemed unaccustomed to public speaking.	12/14/2013 7:56 AM
25	For the most part they were prepared, on topic and were able to field questions that were in depth, as well as those that were slightly off their subject.	12/14/2013 7:20 AM
26	As usual, some presenters were better than others.	12/13/2013 11:49 PM
27	They seemed to know they were talking about	12/13/2013 9:31 PM
28	yes definitely. I wish I could have gone to two presentations at once! I especially enjoyed the presentation on moths and the one on ticks and spiders.	12/13/2013 9:02 PM
29	The speakers were speaking of work they have conducted or closely supervised therefore they knew their information.	12/13/2013 8:47 PM
30	Yes. Scott Campbell's talk was a highlight. I only saw one clunker of a talk.	12/13/2013 7:56 PM

Q3 How would you rate the speakers' topics?

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Answer Choices	Responses
Excellent	72.63% 69
Good	26.32% 25
Fair	0% 0
Poor	1.05% 1
Total	95

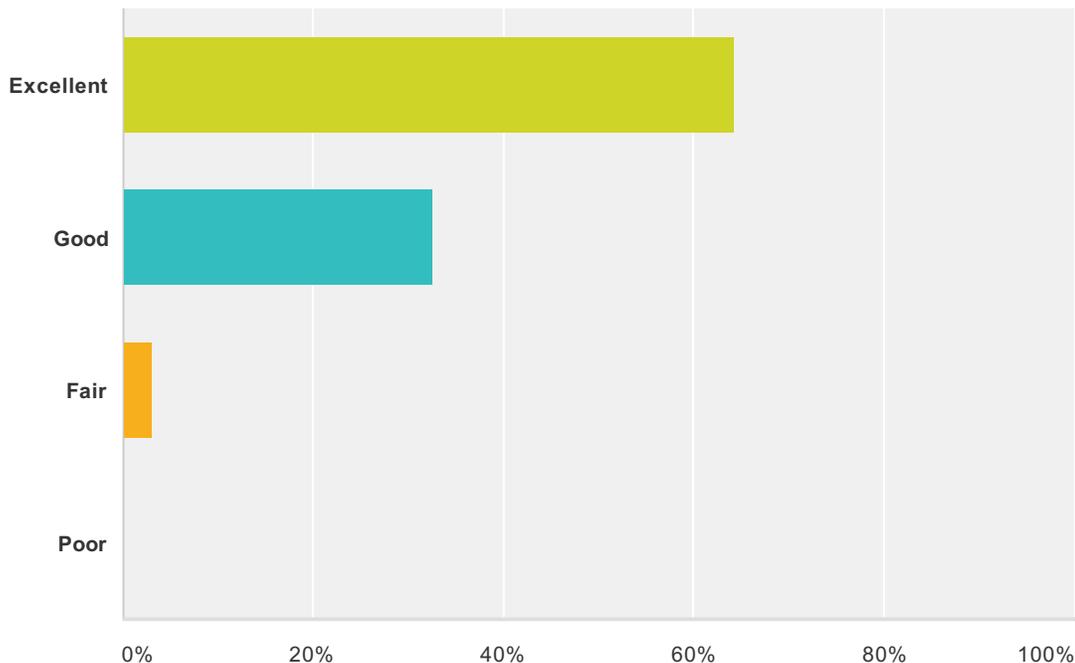
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1	I appreciate learning about BNL projects and they should promote their website more. I appreciated hearing from speakers who care about the projects not looking for "the spotlight".	12/26/2013 8:32 AM
2	What attracted me was the overall local (Long Island) aspect of the event. In my view, the more local topics, or general topics focused down into Long Island based themes, the better. And that was accomplished.	12/23/2013 11:42 AM
3	the topics were relevant and interesting.	12/21/2013 2:57 PM
4	I found many talks extremely interesting. An improvement over last year.	12/17/2013 2:56 PM
5	Most of the presentations were exactly "Long Island Natural History", which was great. There are many conferences held throughout the year on Long Island and I felt that most of these presentations were best suited for this conference. It was great to learn about the research that is going on right here on Long Island. Many times the speakers had more information to share but ran out of time. I especially enjoyed the following topics: Moths of Long Island, Spiders, Chiggers & Ticks, Bats of Long Island and the Long Island Mammals/Furbearers.	12/17/2013 8:39 AM
6	There are not a lot of good references for the various plant and animal populations of Long Island and even less for the range distribution of species within the Island itself. The topics broadend my understanding of the current status various species of interest on the island.	12/16/2013 4:13 PM

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7	I particularly enjoyed the "Spiders/Ticks" presentation, the "Moths" and the "Furbearers"	12/16/2013 3:58 PM
8	Topics were very good but slightly better last year.	12/16/2013 1:50 PM
9	A good range of topics, which were timely and of interest to the audience.	12/16/2013 12:20 PM
10	Many of the speakers were incredible (Moths, Bats, Box Turtle) however, there were one or two that seemed unprepared and disorganized	12/16/2013 9:20 AM
11	I found the USGS speaker excellent, as well as the man who discussed bats.	12/16/2013 9:01 AM
12	For the most part, found the topics interesting & relevant. Exceptions were the tiger salamander presentation, which I found to be way too technical & not clearly explained. The box turtle presentation was OK but was repetitive didn't explain or discuss habitat/management implications.	12/16/2013 8:42 AM
13	I learned some things I didn't know or at least wasn't aware of.	12/16/2013 7:50 AM
14	Relevant and interesting	12/15/2013 9:28 AM
15	All topics presented were relative to issues here on the Island.	12/14/2013 5:25 PM
16	Do you survey for topics?	12/14/2013 4:14 PM
17	Variety is the key - as a geologist I was more interested in the Sandy info. My colleague was more interested in the natural environmental parts.	12/14/2013 12:29 PM
18	Especially enjoyed Box Turtles, Post WWI Long Island, Moths, Spiders, Bats, and Red Knot/Sharp Tailed Sparrow. Less: "Day in the Life of the Carmans River" concentrated a lot on the youth involvement, not the results. "The Long Island Mammal Survey" was interesting except the audience was attacking DEC's position on hunting and Mr. Stiller seemed to be caught in the middle.	12/14/2013 8:56 AM
19	I found the topics to be very interesting and very useful for my job. It's unfortunate that some topics that were of interest to me were going on at the same time.	12/14/2013 8:14 AM
20	They were informative.	12/14/2013 7:56 AM
21	I liked the range of topics. I had a chance to learn more about subjects I was familiar with, and was introduced to new subjects as well.	12/14/2013 7:20 AM
22	Bats, mammals, and moths were best. Also liked fisheries.	12/13/2013 11:49 PM
23	Seemed to be a good variety for a large range of interests	12/13/2013 9:54 PM
24	To specific	12/13/2013 9:31 PM
25	a good variety of topics. hard to decide what to go to! I tried to get to some of everything. I especially liked a day in the life of the carmans river and plan to use some of the lessons in my classes.	12/13/2013 9:02 PM
26	As with the first conference the topics were wide ranging attracting a wider audience and varied interests.	12/13/2013 8:47 PM
27	I liked the topics but wished there were more plant talks.	12/13/2013 8:15 PM
28	Could use more on water pollution, development concerns.	12/13/2013 7:58 PM
29	The only thing I worry about is that many of the comments concerned environmentalism as opposed to natural history. These are not the same thing even though they are related. I would hate to lose people interested in environmental issues, but I would also hate to see the natural history talks take a back seat.	12/13/2013 7:56 PM

Q4 How would you rate the organization of the Conference?

Answered: 95 Skipped: 0



Answer Choices	Responses
Excellent	64.21% 61
Good	32.63% 31
Fair	3.16% 3
Poor	0% 0
Total	95

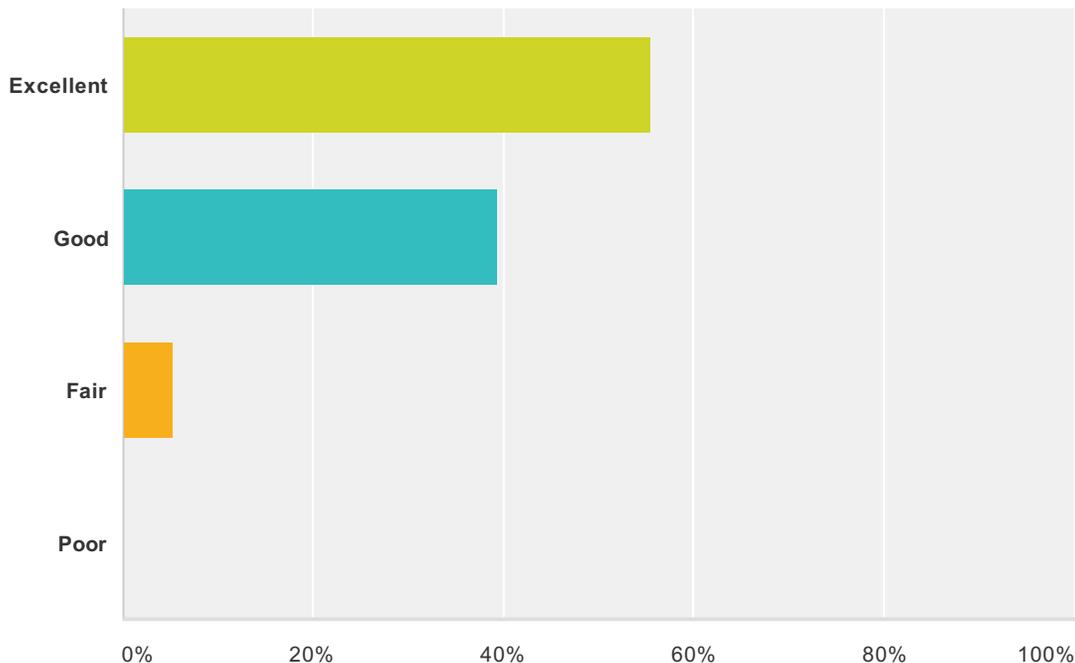
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1	Technical difficulties aside, one thing I have always said to my colleagues is that I look forward to this conference due to the professional and efficient manner in which it is run.	12/26/2013 8:32 AM
2	things moved well!	12/21/2013 2:57 PM
3	easy to register, sessions were well-organized. It would have been nice if there were some formal way to introduce people to each other at lunch.	12/19/2013 5:53 PM
4	I know we all realize that Room B was too small, and you are aware of this and planning accordingly for future conferences. The catering -- coffee, danishes, other food etc, were excellent and timely between sessions!	12/18/2013 10:05 AM
5	As ever with a successful conference, there was more presented than any one person could attend. I was sorry to have missed a few when I attended a parallel presentation, but I was not sorry for any of the choices I made, just sorry I couldn't see the ones I did not choose.	12/17/2013 11:57 PM
6	No complaints.	12/17/2013 2:56 PM
7	All in all it was well organized. The timing of the presentations could have been a little better. The presentations could have been a little shorter, possibly 20 - 30 minutes and the question period should be shorter. The talks should be timed so that both rooms get out at the same time for the breaks.	12/17/2013 2:47 PM

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8	I would have liked to receive details of the concurrent sessions before. I realize some information was on the website but maybe send an email with the link saying the information is there. I found the info but did not receive any information prior to my searching.	12/17/2013 9:41 AM
9	The handouts were all good as well as the table displays. Perhaps more research posters would be beneficial. The 'store' table where you can buy books and other related items was a very good idea that should be expanded on, like for example field guides could be for sale. More water was needed as it quickly ran out and a water fountain was not in sight.	12/17/2013 8:39 AM
10	One of the more cleanly run conferences I've attended. Signs leading to the conference were perfect. Check-in was easy.	12/16/2013 3:58 PM
11	The only problem, which happens to any venue such as this, was speakers running over their time which then shortened the time allotted for lunch. Perhaps time could be saved if the speaker's bio wasn't read word for word from the agenda and abstracts booklet.	12/16/2013 3:47 PM
12	Sometimes two concurrent lectures forced a choice between two presentations that I would have liked to attend. In a perfect world, with adequate space, presentations would ideally be given twice so that persons might have an opportunity to attend all sessions of interest.	12/16/2013 12:20 PM
13	Speakers didn't have name badges.	12/16/2013 12:12 PM
14	some talks ran late but overall it worked out	12/16/2013 11:17 AM
15	Things seemed to run very smoothly.	12/16/2013 10:36 AM
16	It appears that it has outgrown the use of the facility.	12/16/2013 7:50 AM
17	Well run organized and lay out. Refreshments plentiful and of quality	12/15/2013 9:28 AM
18	Kept things on time. Maybe rooms could have been switched when large room was empty and small room full.	12/14/2013 4:14 PM
19	I enjoyed the conference; however, there were presentations that I couldn't attend because they would overlap at the same time. Maybe next time have presentations at different times, so people can listen to all of the presenters.	12/14/2013 10:02 AM
20	More space was needed in conference room 'B'.	12/14/2013 9:45 AM
21	Its hard to determine what lectures people may want to attend in order to allocate the larger room to the more popular lecture. Perhaps next year ask people to register for lectures. There really is not a way to enforce it, but at least you would get an idea of which lecture might be more popular so that space could be allocated correctly.	12/14/2013 9:02 AM
22	The timing was good - enough time for questions/answers, as well as time to get from one location to another. My only problem was in choosing which talks to attend - they were all interesting - but I think that will happen no matter what is done (it's also much better that way than not liking any of the choices!)	12/14/2013 7:20 AM
23	Maybe have the participants see the schedule and have them choose so you know which one would be more seen.	12/13/2013 9:31 PM
24	I think the presentations should have been limited to 20 minutes and not be concurrent.	12/13/2013 9:13 PM
25	The conference was run on time while allowing ample time for questions and discussion.	12/13/2013 8:47 PM

Q5 How would you rate the quality of the venue?

Answered: 94 Skipped: 1



Answer Choices	Responses
Excellent	55.32% 52
Good	39.36% 37
Fair	5.32% 5
Poor	0% 0
Total	94

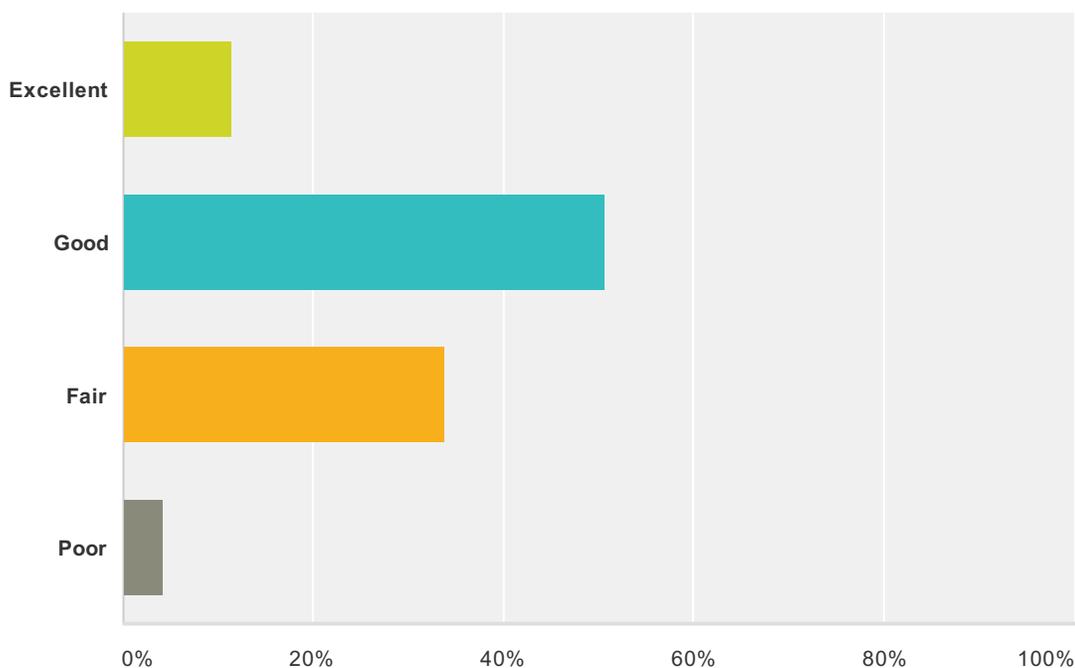
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1	If you mean BNL it's like going to an oasis in suburbia and I don't want to leave.	12/26/2013 8:32 AM
2	I got there around 9:15am. The adjacent auditorium parking lot was full at that time. I was able to find a spot a couple of buildings over. Not an issue for me from a walking standpoint, just made me worried that I might get a citation for parking in a lot clearly not associated with the auditorium. I did not get a ticket in the end. But I guess my point would be that next year it might be better to communicate to attendees that parking in any lot is fine. Maybe you did that somewhere in the literature or website, but I missed it.	12/23/2013 11:42 AM
3	not really enough room in the vendor booth area	12/19/2013 5:53 PM
4	Great venue, though as stated above regarding Room B. I liked that the rooms were close to each other and did not have to go outside. Also food was right there for excellent convenience, which allowed for conversation with colleagues between sessions.	12/18/2013 10:05 AM
5	Only wish we could have gotten outside a little to see the venue. Especially where special permission was granted for us to be at the site, it would have been great for even a brief hike to some notable habitat.	12/17/2013 11:57 PM
6	Conference rooms, open area for displays and posters, bathrooms and cafeteria were all in close proximity. Adequate parking near building.	12/17/2013 2:56 PM

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7	The venue was good but is at about its limit for a conference of this size.	12/17/2013 2:47 PM
8	It was a little crowded	12/17/2013 10:26 AM
9	The auditorium was large enough, but the other presentation room was too small.	12/17/2013 10:08 AM
10	The new food vendors for BNL were very good. I really appreciated that we didn't have to use styrofoam bowls and plates. The recycled dinnerware worked just fine. Also the food also seems to take a shift for the better, as the previous times I dined at BNL, it was packed with desserts and unhealthy snack items. This time the cafeteria was more spread out and a great salad bar was available.	12/17/2013 8:39 AM
11	I like Berkner Hall.	12/16/2013 4:13 PM
12	Nice building. I stayed in the B sessions and I know that room became over-filled with some presentations. I wonder how room A compared.	12/16/2013 3:58 PM
13	Both the main hall, where people gathered for coffee, etc. and to view poster presentations, and Room B were too small for the crowd. Seating in Room B was often uncomfortable and uncomfortably close.	12/16/2013 12:20 PM
14	It would be better if the 2 presentation rooms were similar in size (both large). The smaller room was frequently filled beyond capacity.	12/16/2013 10:50 AM
15	Love that Lunch was right there!	12/16/2013 10:36 AM
16	Overall, very good.	12/16/2013 9:20 AM
17	BNL is always an enjoyable venue. It's close, roomy, their food is good.	12/16/2013 7:50 AM
18	Easy access and professional. Wish room B was a little bigger however	12/15/2013 9:28 AM
19	Very good venue but the second room was too small. Many of us had to stand or sit on the floor -- not the worst thing in the world, but a bit hard.	12/14/2013 4:45 PM
20	Thank you for putting this together!	12/14/2013 4:14 PM
21	Room B was small. Perhaps the Wang Center at Stony Brook for next year. They have lecture rooms and a good cafeteria. I believe we will need the space.	12/14/2013 3:41 PM
22	cafeteria is great, and the location is easy to get to, free parking. the lobby is getting a bit small tho.	12/14/2013 12:48 PM
23	Would like Brookhaven to throw in a tour of one facility.	12/14/2013 12:29 PM
24	One men's room was down to one functioning toilet. Big cafeteria lines.	12/14/2013 11:31 AM
25	Sight and sound in rooms A and B was excellent. Nice to have a cafeteria and the huge area for poster tables. Drive was convenient because it was close to LIE I come from Queens, and I wish the driving were less, but it was worth it.	12/14/2013 8:56 AM
26	The meeting rooms were close enough to switch from one to another easily. I appreciated having the cafeteria available. Also, the common space was great for the displays.	12/14/2013 7:20 AM
27	Had never been to Brookhaven before, which wasn't a problem in the daytime, but I got terribly lost when I left in the dark and ended up driving way out of my way on isolated roads which did not make me at all happy. I would appreciate it if the next conference is on a main road that would be more easily navigated at night, or else have it end before dark.	12/13/2013 11:49 PM
28	Nice place	12/13/2013 9:31 PM
29	great to the cafeteria so close; would not change it.	12/13/2013 9:13 PM
30	The venue was outstanding, though Room B was sometimes full to overflowing.	12/13/2013 8:47 PM
31	Room B too small but the legroom in the auditorium hard to beat. No AV problems that I saw.	12/13/2013 8:15 PM
32	Needed more seating	12/13/2013 7:59 PM
33	Food there sucks.	12/13/2013 7:58 PM
34	Except that one room is much smaller than the other. As a result, there were often no seats in the smaller venue.	12/13/2013 7:56 PM

Q6 Were the meeting rooms adequate?

Answered: 95 Skipped: 0



Answer Choices	Responses
Excellent	11.58% 11
Good	50.53% 48
Fair	33.68% 32
Poor	4.21% 4
Total	95

#	Please explain	Date
1	No need to say the Auditorium is excellent you just need two of them! That the second presentation room was not large enough speaks to the quality of and interest in the presentation and speakers.	12/26/2013 8:32 AM
2	The A room was great. There was a shortage of seating in the B room. Also, the wall air conditioning unit in the B room was directing cool air downwards onto the audience making it a bit chilly. Would have been better to aim airflow upwards.	12/23/2013 11:42 AM
3	the large room was good ,the smaller room over crowded!	12/21/2013 2:57 PM
4	Room B was too small for most of the sessions that were held in there.	12/20/2013 9:37 AM
5	not enough room in the most popular panels	12/19/2013 5:53 PM
6	The main auditorium was fine, however, the second room was a little on the small side. For a good portion of the talks I went to see in Room B, it was very cramped, and I often had to stand, making it slightly uncomfortable.	12/19/2013 10:13 AM
7	The non-auditorium room was too small to accommodate some of the people who wanted to attend some of the sessions	12/18/2013 7:49 PM
8	One excellent, one fair	12/18/2013 10:05 AM

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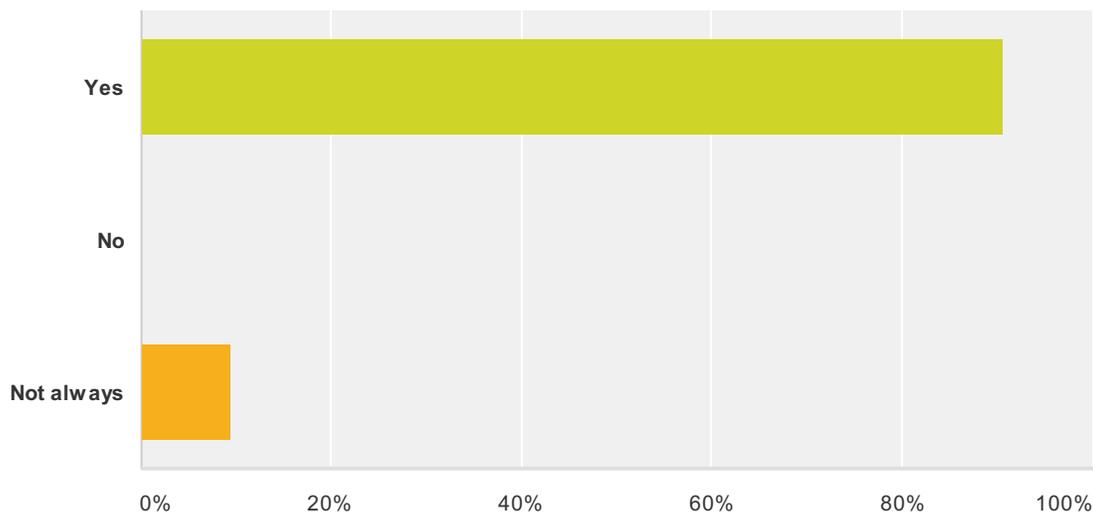
9	I believe it was meeting room "A" (?) but it frequently was too small for the number of attendees wishing to see a presentation. I left a notebook on a desk where I'd been sitting for the presentation prior to one I wanted to attend, and went to use the facilities - when I returned, the room was filled, and someone had even helped themselves to my chair! My only complaint...	12/17/2013 11:57 PM
10	Room B was too small.	12/17/2013 4:44 PM
11	The room for "B" topics was not large enough for all the participants, and it was freezing in there (even with my coat on).	12/17/2013 2:56 PM
12	The large room was excellent. However the small room was small and limited for attendees.	12/17/2013 2:47 PM
13	break-out rooms too small	12/17/2013 10:30 AM
14	Room "B" was way too crowded, with not nearly enough seats for everyone	12/17/2013 10:26 AM
15	Is there a room available other than Conference room B(?) - where the bats, birds and Carmans River speakers were - a larger space space was needed.	12/17/2013 10:09 AM
16	The auditorium was good, but the other room was way too small. I missed out on a presentation because there wasn't even standing room.	12/17/2013 10:08 AM
17	The second room was a tad small. Possibly a bigger room but the TV set up was great.	12/17/2013 9:41 AM
18	Room B filled up quickly, but was more intimate and was easier to ask questions in. Room A fit everyone fine, but it was harder to ask questions.	12/17/2013 8:39 AM
19	The second room was overcrowded.	12/17/2013 8:18 AM
20	The small room was standing-room-only for almost every sessions, which could have been planned better. The one session I went to in the auditorium was almost empty.	12/17/2013 7:50 AM
21	Meeting room "B" was a crowded, but manageable.	12/16/2013 4:13 PM
22	I enjoyed the classroom style of B- easier to take notes.	12/16/2013 3:58 PM
23	The smaller meeting room was at full capacity with standing room only. There is a need for a larger second room.	12/16/2013 3:55 PM
24	Room B was way too small!	12/16/2013 3:47 PM
25	The smaller room (not auditorium) is a little tight, especially with more people this year.	12/16/2013 1:50 PM
26	Room A was fine. Room B was too crowded, with many of the seats fairly uncomfortable.	12/16/2013 12:20 PM
27	just because there was no sitting space in room B	12/16/2013 11:17 AM
28	Rooms should be similar in size; smaller room was frequently overfilled.	12/16/2013 10:50 AM
29	The smaller venue room was over crowded for 3 of the presentations I attended in that room	12/16/2013 10:36 AM
30	room B was too small	12/16/2013 10:24 AM
31	sometimes meeting room B was overflowing.	12/16/2013 9:20 AM
32	too small (building B)	12/16/2013 9:20 AM
33	Room B was a little small when it contained a larger crowd.	12/16/2013 9:01 AM
34	The auditorium was a great room to listen to presentations. The second room was too small for the size of the audience. There was not enough seating in that room.	12/16/2013 8:57 AM
35	Although can appreciate the difficulty in finding adequate space for all the talks, I couldn't go to the bat talk because the room was filled beyond capacity	12/16/2013 8:42 AM
36	Berkner Hall Room B was overful beyond capacity, need more room, but this is a good problem to have!	12/16/2013 8:23 AM
37	It appears that it has outgrown the use of the facility.	12/16/2013 7:50 AM
38	Yes, though selection of which topic would be in the main hall "A" versus the side room "B" needs better vetting as at least 2 talks in room B were well beyond "standing room only."	12/16/2013 7:32 AM
39	One was great-good acoustics, roomy, etc., The other room was overcrowded several times, not enough seats so standing room only, and you heard alot of outside talkers if you sat near the doors. This interferred with sometimes hearing the speaker.	12/15/2013 11:37 AM

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40	See above	12/15/2013 9:28 AM
41	Unfortunately, one room is too large and the other too small. Otherwise, the venue is very nice.	12/15/2013 8:28 AM
42	the one room was too small	12/14/2013 9:41 PM
43	Need a larger room for track B. It's too crowded. Many session had standing room only,	12/14/2013 7:30 PM
44	One of the rooms was too small.	12/14/2013 7:10 PM
45	The theater was a bit large, and the second room was too small for the more popular presentations.	12/14/2013 5:55 PM
46	Anticipation of popularity of certain topics may need to be better anticipated.	12/14/2013 5:25 PM
47	See above	12/14/2013 4:45 PM
48	Rooms were nice but sometimes too full.	12/14/2013 4:14 PM
49	Again, room B was small.	12/14/2013 3:41 PM
50	room B is a challenge. not enough seats	12/14/2013 12:48 PM
51	One room was too small - if possible have both presentation setup on both venues - you could switch at the last moment.	12/14/2013 12:29 PM
52	Obviously B room was too small	12/14/2013 11:31 AM
53	Berkner B was very small. For multiple presentations it was standing room only.	12/14/2013 11:22 AM
54	The smaller room felt cramped and it was hard to find a seat.	12/14/2013 10:02 AM
55	The rooms were good, but see response to #4	12/14/2013 9:02 AM
56	Sight and sound in rooms A and B was excellent. Room B kept running out of seats - it was too small. Often the more popular topics were in room B. Had to get there 10 minutes early to get a seat - figured that out after standing through one presentation.	12/14/2013 8:56 AM
57	we needed more seating	12/14/2013 8:55 AM
58	The smaller room has become too small-many people unable to find seats	12/14/2013 8:44 AM
59	conference Room B was cold	12/14/2013 8:35 AM
60	Hard to tell this but room for B programs was small for how many turned out.	12/14/2013 8:16 AM
61	Room B was much too small for the amount of people that attended but as this is only the second annual conference I'm assuming the number of people that showed up wasn't expected.	12/14/2013 8:14 AM
62	The rooms were too different in size and ambience. The organizers misjudged the size of the audience for several topics and the popular topics were SRO in room B while there were plenty of seats in the auditorium.	12/14/2013 7:56 AM
63	At times one of the rooms was very crowded and it was difficult to get a seat.	12/14/2013 7:20 AM
64	Large room too big for discussion but comfortable. Small room way too small for number of people	12/13/2013 9:54 PM
65	The second smaller room was not adequate	12/13/2013 9:31 PM
66	the one room was too small and was unable to listen to the presentation because of the lack of room.	12/13/2013 9:13 PM
67	there was plenty of room in the auditorium but the other room wasn't quite big enough for all the people. you need another auditorium!	12/13/2013 9:02 PM
68	I think the rooms are fine but Room B was full to overflowing for a couple of talks. Some thought needs to be given to which talk will generate the most interest, not an easy call.	12/13/2013 8:47 PM
69	See above.	12/13/2013 8:15 PM
70	More popular talks were put in smaller room leading to crowding	12/13/2013 7:58 PM
71	See previous comment.	12/13/2013 7:56 PM

Q7 Were the audio and video adequate to clearly hear and see the presentations?

Answered: 94 Skipped: 1



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	90.43% 85
No	0% 0
Not always	9.57% 9
Total	94

#	Please explain	Date
1	It was nice to see the one session on screen in the lobby for local organizations to watch from their booths.	12/26/2013 8:32 AM
2	A/V is clearly better in Room A. But, in the end, I had no problems seeing or hearing in room B. A is just a better room (better seats too), but what else can you do...	12/23/2013 11:42 AM
3	was there audio and video for the panel B sessions? I only saw video in the lobby for panel A sessions.	12/19/2013 5:53 PM
4	I couldn't hear one speaker from the left side of the room who faced the right side of the audience, but I'm not sure he had a mic on. All speakers should be requested to use a mic.	12/17/2013 2:56 PM
5	However, the doors on the small room should have been closed during presentations so that lobby noises don't disrupt the presentations.	12/17/2013 2:47 PM
6	Room B audio and video were good.	12/17/2013 8:39 AM
7	Except for the overcrowding.	12/17/2013 8:18 AM
8	sometimes meeting room B was overflowing.	12/16/2013 9:20 AM
9	the colors were off in Building B between the three screens	12/16/2013 9:20 AM
10	No problems	12/15/2013 9:28 AM
11	Audio at times, whether the speaker not talking into the mike or a question being asked from the audience. Speakers should also repeat the question so that audience can relate answer to question that wasn't audible.	12/14/2013 5:25 PM
12	I might try larger green dot lasers to point out things on the screens.	12/14/2013 4:14 PM

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13	You need an IN OR OUT policy. In the B room, too many people stood in the doorways, enabling the conversations from the foyer to drift into the room, and the sound from the TV in the foyer was not intelligible but could easily be heard and was verfy annoying.	12/14/2013 11:31 AM
14	The TV in the hall is always a help	12/14/2013 10:50 AM
15	I have not watched the video recordings yet but the presenters were easy to hear during their presentations.	12/14/2013 9:45 AM
16	I was glad everyone with questions went to the microphone this year	12/14/2013 8:16 AM
17	The camiferous plants guy had the mike on the wrong lapel because he turned to look at his slides all the time. Otherwise pefect.	12/13/2013 9:21 PM
18	The audio and video was very good with no technical difficulties that I was aware of.	12/13/2013 8:47 PM

Q8 Please rate the breaks: a. Were they long enough? b. Was the food sufficient? c. Was the food of good quality? d. Would you suggest something else? If so what would you like to see served?

Answered: 85 Skipped: 10

#	Responses	Date
1	Long enough Yes So so No suggestions, food is minor issue.	12/28/2013 10:56 PM
2	a) adequate-I like to keep things moving, I am there to learn. b) did not partake c) did not partake d) not there to eat	12/26/2013 8:43 AM
3	I did not partake of the food or drink. But it looked like what one would expect. Break timing was fine.	12/23/2013 11:52 AM
4	a	12/21/2013 3:02 PM
5	a. The last break, which lasted 30 minutes, was too long. At that point I just wanted to push through the rest of the sessions. b. The food was cold by the time I got it to a table to eat it. Lines too long at cashiers. c. It was OK. d. I think the selection was fine.	12/20/2013 9:48 AM
6	The breaks could have been a smidge longer. The food was good, and sufficient. We were asked to comment on the new catering arrangements, so I'd say that at lunch they did a good job keeping up with the crowd even though it looked like they hadn't really been warned in advance.	12/19/2013 6:02 PM
7	a) yes b) yes c) yes d) no	12/19/2013 10:15 AM
8	The breaks seemed to be only to change rooms, did not have an opportunity to eat food but I left at the lunch break	12/18/2013 8:00 PM
9	a. yes b. absolutely, especially the fruit and brownies c. yes d. "energy bars" e.g. granola, fruit bars, or similar	12/18/2013 10:22 AM
10	a. Yes b. Yes c. Yes	12/18/2013 8:37 AM
11	Breaks were adequate, but I found lunch was too brief - I found myself trying to attend to business, while trying to catch up with friends and peers, and finally having to quickly eat a slice of Pizza at the cafeteria (not wonderful - would have been a great idea to have a list of local eateries). Decaf coffee would also have been nice during the morning snack (very small point, and no big problem)	12/18/2013 12:12 AM
12	Again, no complaints.	12/17/2013 3:07 PM
13	The breaks were fine. The food was sufficient & of good quality. However the morning coffee and should have been put out earlier so that attendees could get their food and socialize before the first presentation.	12/17/2013 2:48 PM
14	long enough facility should take debit/credit cards food was enough, sufficient and good quality	12/17/2013 10:35 AM
15	a)yes b)yes c)It was ok, and a little pricey for the quality	12/17/2013 10:29 AM
16	Everything was great!	12/17/2013 10:14 AM
17	All of this was good.	12/17/2013 10:13 AM
18	a. Yes. b. The cheese and wine yes. I did not eat lunch at the cafeteria.	12/17/2013 9:48 AM
19	Yes. Sorry - I didn't pay attention to the offerings.	12/17/2013 8:34 AM
20	a) Missed the first break due to the session running long b & c) Food was good, there was enough	12/17/2013 8:07 AM
21	a. Yes. b. Everything was gone when I got to a morning break. Food was great at the social. Long Island wines from Bedell!The cafeteria is very convenient for lunch.	12/16/2013 11:10 PM
22	a. - c. Yes	12/16/2013 4:20 PM

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23	The breaks were long enough, with sufficient food of good quality, especially those brownies in the afternoon; perhaps, oatmeal cookies also. How about having some fruit/juice drinks available.	12/16/2013 4:10 PM
24	A. Yes B. Yes C. Very good D. No	12/16/2013 4:00 PM
25	By the time I had a chance to get to the refreshments during the breaks they were all gone. No snacks...no juice...no coffee.	12/16/2013 3:53 PM
26	a. yes b. yes c. yes d. no	12/16/2013 1:53 PM
27	a. Yes b. Yes c. Good enough d. Probably not. The cafeteria offered diverse choices, and if the food was, in the end, industrial cafeteria food, it's no worse than I would have eaten if I had gone to the office that day, and it was better in variety and probably quality than many such workplace offerings.	12/16/2013 12:29 PM
28	yes, yes, pretty much, typical break snacks	12/16/2013 12:13 PM
29	breaks were perfect time, not too long, not too short, food was excellent	12/16/2013 11:19 AM
30	breaks were good: long enough, food was good (place on 2 tables in the future to make access easier). Good food.	12/16/2013 10:53 AM
31	Breaks were perfect length	12/16/2013 10:38 AM
32	a. yes b. yes c. yes d. n/a	12/16/2013 9:59 AM
33	Breaks were good and necessary. Although talks were wonderful, 40 minutes was long. Was happy to see the healthier fair at breakfast.	12/16/2013 9:45 AM
34	Everything was very good. The food was excellent.	12/16/2013 9:30 AM
35	yes yes yes	12/16/2013 9:25 AM
36	everything was fine. Maybe some more milk for the the coffee/tea.	12/16/2013 9:21 AM
37	The breaks were long enough. The food was ok.	12/16/2013 9:02 AM
38	a.) yes b.) yes c.) yes	12/16/2013 9:02 AM
39	Breaks were fine with exception of the long break in afternoon that was too long.	12/16/2013 8:50 AM
40	a. yes b. yes c. yes d. no	12/16/2013 7:53 AM
41	I think the only complaint I heard was that the coffee ran low a couple times; other than that, it was great.	12/16/2013 7:38 AM
42	a	12/15/2013 11:39 PM
43	Breaks-they were perfect Food-fine and good, no problems at all. Something for everyone depending on their taste buds! I would not suggest anything.	12/15/2013 11:49 AM
44	All fine as commented above	12/15/2013 9:30 AM
45	The breaks were frequent and long enough so that you could look at the booths and posters. Food was sufficient.	12/15/2013 8:36 AM
46	the breaks were fine, didn't have any of the snacks too crowded around that area	12/14/2013 9:53 PM
47	The breaks are okay.	12/14/2013 7:37 PM
48	a. Yes b. Yes c. Yes d. More gluten free.	12/14/2013 7:15 PM
49	Breaks were long enough. Food was varied, of good quality and sufficient.	12/14/2013 6:19 PM
50	a. yes b. yes c. yes d. no	12/14/2013 6:15 PM
51	All items in above # 8 were fine	12/14/2013 5:26 PM
52	Good length of break time not only for eating but most importantly for meeting people, making social connections, discussing what we've learned, etc.	12/14/2013 5:15 PM
53	The breaks were fine.	12/14/2013 4:41 PM
54	Breaks were nice. Helps with networking. Breaks need to be long enough to stretch, eat/drink, bathroom. Food was good but could have used more check out people during the rush.	12/14/2013 4:17 PM

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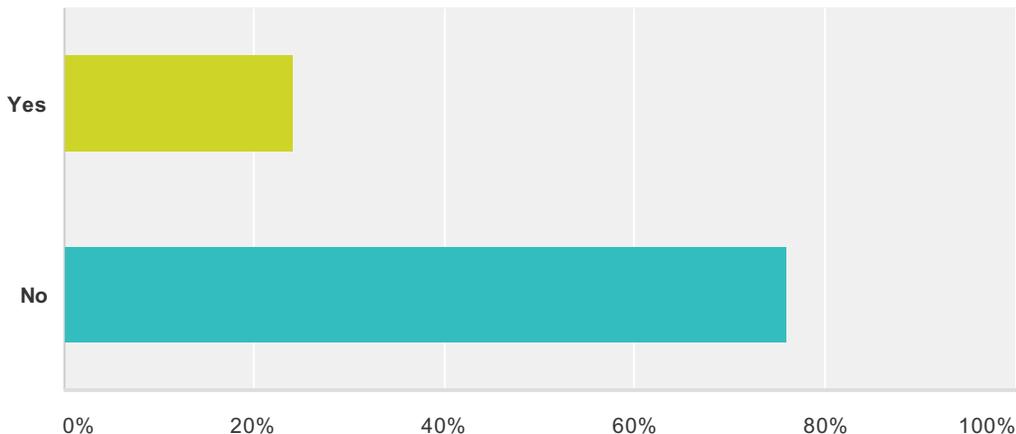
55	i think they were sufficient. the provision of coffee was appreciated and breaks were adequate. no changes recommended	12/14/2013 4:00 PM
56	Breaks were fine in length and a good opportunity to catch up with old friends	12/14/2013 3:57 PM
57	Everything was very good. The afternoon break could be shorter. Maybe make the morning and afternoon breaks each 20 min. Lunch break was fine and needed with the size of the crowd.	12/14/2013 3:53 PM
58	the breaks this time were a good addition. the food was good, and plenty of variety	12/14/2013 12:55 PM
59	Breaks were fine - the booths in the middle took up a little too much room.	12/14/2013 12:31 PM
60	The morning food was put out way too late, considering you couldn't take it into the auditorium. I walked out of the afternoon B program early but, because the auditorium group had broken so early, there was literally one oatmeal cookie left. I assume the cookies were less fattening than the delicious brownies.	12/14/2013 11:38 AM
61	a. The breaks between presentations were sufficient, however, I felt a hour for lunch was not enough. Possibly have more people taking money to shorten the lines. b. Yes c. The food was excellent.	12/14/2013 11:29 AM
62	Good overall	12/14/2013 11:01 AM
63	ALL GOOD!	12/14/2013 10:32 AM
64	a. Yes the breaks were long enough b. Yes c. Yes, the food was great!	12/14/2013 10:05 AM
65	Yes to a-c.	12/14/2013 9:54 AM
66	The breaks were long enough and the food was good.	12/14/2013 9:48 AM
67	I think the breaks were fine. The food provided as part of the event was ample and of good quality. The cafeteria offers a good range of choices and was also of good quality.	12/14/2013 9:09 AM
68	Breaks were fine. Brought my own lunch, so I didn't try the cafeteria fare. Not enough coffee at the 3 pm break	12/14/2013 8:59 AM
69	breaks were good, food was fine	12/14/2013 8:57 AM
70	a.	12/14/2013 8:46 AM
71	a. yes b. yes although hot water for tea and milk kept running low	12/14/2013 8:39 AM
72	The breaks were sufficient and I think the organization did a nice job of it.	12/14/2013 8:31 AM
73	long enough food in afternoon was short (not necessarily bad) maybe a none sweet snack? fruit, veggie?	12/14/2013 8:16 AM
74	Food was great. However, more variety in the tea that was available, and more hot water for tea drinkers. The um emptied and was never refilled.	12/14/2013 8:01 AM
75	a. yes, although I missed the long morning break because our q/a session ran over. If those who wanted to leave had been encouraged to do so, then the others could have stayed. b. yes c. yes (although because of a, most was gone by the time we got to the area. d. everything was typical of these conferences.	12/14/2013 7:30 AM
76	They were fine	12/14/2013 5:26 AM
77	Do not see need for a long break in the afternoon, only adds to the lateness of heading home. Other breaks fine, lunch good.	12/13/2013 9:58 PM
78	Excellenbt	12/13/2013 9:27 PM
79	the breaks were good and the food was delicious. it was nice having fruit as well as pastries and bagels.	12/13/2013 9:23 PM
80	yes yes, convenient ok it met my requirements	12/13/2013 9:16 PM
81	A. Yes. B.,c. Good food and plenty d. No	12/13/2013 9:06 PM
82	I believe that the breaks were fine, plenty long enough. The break refreshments were great and the lunch venue had more choices than I required. All very good.	12/13/2013 9:01 PM
83	Breaks were good length and drinks were good. I didn't have any food.	12/13/2013 8:21 PM

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84	Breaks were not long enough, but it is probably not a good idea to lengthen them. The day was jam-packed, but that made it exciting.	12/13/2013 8:01 PM
85	all fine except cafeteria food sucks.	12/13/2013 8:01 PM

Q9 Did you stay for the Wine and Cheese social?

Answered: 91 Skipped: 4



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	24.18% 22
No	75.82% 69
Total	91

#	Please explain	Date
1	Fun	12/28/2013 10:56 PM
2	family commitments	12/26/2013 8:43 AM
3	Had no time. However, great idea. I'll bet everyone who stayed enjoyed it. Hopefully next year I will have time to meet/greet and sample.	12/23/2013 11:52 AM
4	prior engagement.	12/21/2013 3:02 PM
5	A relaxing opportunity to talk with colleagues, yet this year it seemed many folks left soon after the sessions.	12/18/2013 10:22 AM
6	Wouldn't miss it - it also allowed for some last minute shopping at the book store.	12/18/2013 12:12 AM
7	Had to get home to walk my aging dog.	12/17/2013 3:07 PM
8	The day got a little long. If the presentations were a little shorter the wine & cheese social could have been earlier and more enjoyable.	12/17/2013 2:48 PM
9	had a commitment elsewhere	12/17/2013 10:35 AM
10	I would have one less speaker so more can enjoy the wine and cheese. Many people left at that point (home for dinner, pick up kids, etc.) and missed it.	12/17/2013 9:48 AM
11	Another meeting	12/17/2013 8:34 AM
12	I did, but most people had already left, just like last year. Perhaps, reminding people through out the day may retain more participants.	12/16/2013 4:10 PM
13	I had a prior engagement to attend out east.	12/16/2013 1:53 PM
14	Would have liked to have stayed longer, but the crowd thinned out pretty quickly. Also had about an hour drive to get home, where my wife was waiting with dinner.	12/16/2013 12:29 PM
15	other obligations	12/16/2013 11:19 AM

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16	Car pool participants had plans.	12/16/2013 10:38 AM
17	too long of a day on a Friday	12/16/2013 9:25 AM
18	I don't care for wine or cheese.	12/16/2013 7:53 AM
19	A 3yo son and a pregnant wife trumped staying.	12/16/2013 7:38 AM
20	had to leave early	12/15/2013 4:34 PM
21	Had other commitments	12/15/2013 9:30 AM
22	Wine and driving after dark don't mix well for me.	12/15/2013 8:36 AM
23	it was a long day I was ready to go	12/14/2013 9:53 PM
24	Only briefly. It was pretty late and I was anxious to get on the road.	12/14/2013 6:19 PM
25	I believe that most people had left as soon as the last sessions ended, The weather didn't help any. Perhaps a more social gathering during lunch, limit the wine of course don't want to fall asleep when sessions resume.	12/14/2013 5:26 PM
26	I left during the afternoon session as I had seen what I really wanted.	12/14/2013 4:41 PM
27	Would have but my ride had to leave.	12/14/2013 4:17 PM
28	It would have been nicer if more people had stayed for this as it was a good way to meet people	12/14/2013 4:00 PM
29	Stayed a few min.It was late and drive home was long.	12/14/2013 3:53 PM
30	i really don't like "socials" but afterwards thought maybe i should have stayed.	12/14/2013 12:55 PM
31	It was time to go home.	12/14/2013 12:31 PM
32	Was nice and food seemed good. One person in our car dragged us away. Ugh.	12/14/2013 11:38 AM
33	Had to leave by 3pm...Wine & Cheese might have better attendance if conference ends at 3pm	12/14/2013 10:32 AM
34	The cheese and wine social was wonderful.	12/14/2013 10:05 AM
35	Had another evening event to get to in Southampton. Otherwise, I would have.	12/14/2013 9:54 AM
36	Sorry, had an obligation back home - vehicle was needed. I would have liked to stay past the 5 pm when I left.	12/14/2013 8:59 AM
37	I would have done if my ride had not wanted to leave early.	12/14/2013 8:39 AM
38	My brother works at the lab and I wanted to catch up with him.	12/14/2013 8:01 AM
39	Lots of good networking , another chance to socialize a bit.	12/14/2013 7:30 AM
40	yes its nice visiting with people afterwards and the wine and cheese and dips and little sandwiches were delicious.	12/13/2013 9:23 PM
41	it was too much at the end of a long day.	12/13/2013 9:16 PM
42	Too late	12/13/2013 9:06 PM
43	I had to get home.	12/13/2013 9:01 PM
44	That was good for conversation but wine before driving home not good.	12/13/2013 8:21 PM
45	Had to be elsewhere.	12/13/2013 8:01 PM

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Q10 What was the best part of the Conference?

Answered: 75 Skipped: 20

#	Responses	Date
1	Sandy lectures	12/28/2013 10:56 PM
2	no preference	12/26/2013 8:43 AM
3	That is was Long Island based and oriented. Also, it was affordable. Good job. Also, I did not participate, but I was very intrigued with the field trips you offered.	12/23/2013 11:52 AM
4	for me the box turtle presentation and the breach at old inlet!	12/21/2013 3:02 PM
5	The moth, bat and bugs sessions were all very good!	12/20/2013 9:48 AM
6	I learned a lot.	12/19/2013 6:02 PM
7	Hugh McGuinness- his talk on moths of Long Island was fantastic.	12/19/2013 10:15 AM
8	Many interesting topics/lots of choices.	12/18/2013 8:00 PM
9	The conference had a "fun" atmosphere about it. The speakers relaxed and did not lecture us, rather engaged us. I was interested in most all the topics.	12/18/2013 10:22 AM
10	The variety of topics.	12/18/2013 8:37 AM
11	Especially liked the bats, and enjoyed the opportunity to speak with other naturalists about specific issues.	12/18/2013 12:12 AM
12	The talks on local fauna.	12/17/2013 3:07 PM
13	The talks were of high quality and of interest to all.	12/17/2013 2:48 PM
14	the bat presentation...and spending time with colleagues	12/17/2013 10:35 AM
15	There was something to do during the breaks (posters and vendors) and the speakers were interesting, so it was a very engaging experience.	12/17/2013 10:29 AM
16	I loved that everything pertained to local interests.	12/17/2013 10:14 AM
17	I really enjoyed the menhaden presentation.	12/17/2013 10:13 AM
18	Seeing old colleagues and hearing the speakers.	12/17/2013 9:48 AM
19	Hard to say.	12/17/2013 8:34 AM
20	The session on moths was absolutely awesome.	12/17/2013 8:07 AM
21	All the lectures were good. The Old Inlet talk was great.	12/16/2013 11:10 PM
22	Mammals, bats & chiggars.	12/16/2013 4:20 PM
23	Listening to the excellent speakers commenting on the natural history of Long Island.	12/16/2013 4:10 PM
24	Great speakers	12/16/2013 4:00 PM
25	Leaming!	12/16/2013 3:53 PM
26	The presentations on post-Sandy were terrific.	12/16/2013 1:53 PM
27	The speakers. In particular, the USGS speaker describing what happened at Fire Island before, during and after the storm. Presentations on Long Island bats and fish movements in the Camans River were close seconds.	12/16/2013 12:29 PM
28	Talks are always great	12/16/2013 12:13 PM
29	the talks	12/16/2013 11:19 AM
30	Presentations and networking.	12/16/2013 10:53 AM

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31	The speakers	12/16/2013 10:38 AM
32	The variety of talks. Sorry I couldn't hear them all.	12/16/2013 9:45 AM
33	I especially liked the talk on Moths of Long island and the fur bearer talk.	12/16/2013 9:30 AM
34	Moth talk	12/16/2013 9:25 AM
35	The presentations	12/16/2013 9:02 AM
36	I really enjoyed the diverse topics. I especially enjoyed the USGS talk on the breach of Fire Island.	12/16/2013 9:02 AM
37	USGS presentation & opportunity to meet others in the field.	12/16/2013 8:50 AM
38	Bat presentation. A personal interest of mine.	12/16/2013 7:53 AM
39	Hearing and discussing science topics rather than sitting behind a desk.	12/16/2013 7:38 AM
40	The topics-my only regret is I could not attend all of them since 2 were given at the same time.	12/15/2013 11:49 AM
41	Topics and speakers. Really enjoyed moths and bats	12/15/2013 9:30 AM
42	Speakers	12/15/2013 8:36 AM
43	the wide variety of different topics	12/14/2013 9:53 PM
44	Fire Island geology - USGS presentation	12/14/2013 7:15 PM
45	The Sandy related presentations.	12/14/2013 6:19 PM
46	There were many presentations that were excellent.	12/14/2013 6:15 PM
47	Being able to see the interest that exist on Long Island with its natural and ecological issues.	12/14/2013 5:26 PM
48	Getting like minded people together to lean and network. Good job with time management.	12/14/2013 4:17 PM
49	favourite talk was the Bats of Long Island. Overall, I found the speakers to be very friendly and open.	12/14/2013 4:00 PM
50	That the topics were relevant and local.	12/14/2013 3:53 PM
51	seeing people of similar interests. hearing about long island from people who know and care.	12/14/2013 12:55 PM
52	The talks with real information not just opinions and lame news reports.	12/14/2013 12:31 PM
53	Fishery related talks.	12/14/2013 12:04 PM
54	Moth talk was very good.	12/14/2013 11:38 AM
55	The presentations.	12/14/2013 11:29 AM
56	Diversity of "topics"	12/14/2013 11:01 AM
57	Everything was great!	12/14/2013 10:32 AM
58	The moth presentation and the wine and cheese social.	12/14/2013 10:05 AM
59	Presentations on wildlife and plant populations were very interesting.	12/14/2013 9:48 AM
60	The opportunity to hear speakers on a wide range of topics, and to see so many of my friends and colleagues in one place, who might not otherwise ever be in one place together.	12/14/2013 9:09 AM
61	the bats and the moths	12/14/2013 8:57 AM
62	Interacting with colleagues	12/14/2013 8:46 AM
63	Meeting up with acquaintences, making connections. The majority of the talks were excellent	12/14/2013 8:39 AM
64	The variety of topics If you can't go to one it will be on the web (it will right?)	12/14/2013 8:16 AM
65	Several of the presentations were outstanding! And it was great to hear about the great natural resources on Long Island.	12/14/2013 8:01 AM
66	Getting to meet so many others interested in the same things I am interested in.	12/14/2013 7:30 AM
67	Continuing to learn about LI nature. Networking with others	12/13/2013 9:58 PM

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68	Hapjke, Flagg and Scott Campbell was very funny as well as discussing a controversy about chiggers.	12/13/2013 9:27 PM
69	getting together with so many other people who are interested in the natural history of Long Island and being able to share ideas and learn from each other. I found out about several places that I didn't know even existed and that I'd love to go visit! it was very inspiring!	12/13/2013 9:23 PM
70	the opportunity to socialize and discuss	12/13/2013 9:16 PM
71	Moth and tick (chigger) talks	12/13/2013 9:06 PM
72	The opportunity to hear about local investigations regarding a number of issues. This conference provides an opportunity for local biologists to present their findings to a local audience. Some of these folks do not have the opportunity to make presentations at Conferences off Long Island due to restrict budgetary issues.	12/13/2013 9:01 PM
73	The talks and chatting with people at the breaks. It was good to have the table setups too.	12/13/2013 8:21 PM
74	The topics were excellent. Seeing old friends and being able to catch up was a great aspect for me, as was meeting new people.	12/13/2013 8:01 PM
75	Hugh McGuinness's moth talk.	12/13/2013 8:01 PM

Q11 What could we improve about the Conference?

Answered: 65 Skipped: 30

#	Responses	Date
1	Just keep it up	12/28/2013 10:56 PM
2	2 days? more field trips?	12/26/2013 8:43 AM
3	perhaps narrow the presentations down to focus on one part of the environment but then it might limit attendance.	12/21/2013 3:02 PM
4	Just big enough rooms for both concurrent sessions.	12/20/2013 9:48 AM
5	Outreach to more diverse audiences. It matters when you feel like a raisin in rice pudding. And given the Island's demographics, if you actually care about the Island's environment, you'll have to convince nonwhite, non-middle class people they should care too. More room! Layout of vendors interfered with lines of people getting coffee, should be separated more.	12/19/2013 6:02 PM
6	Just providing adequate meeting space for both rooms.	12/19/2013 10:15 AM
7	Have more space in the secondary room.	12/18/2013 8:00 PM
8	Having a little longer Q&A session. Also I wanted to speak with a few of the speakers afterwards, and only found one.	12/18/2013 10:22 AM
9	Some presentations had been given at several other recent conferences and did not present any new information.	12/18/2013 8:37 AM
10	Perhaps a little more time for meeting with others, separated from the lunch. Leaving the conference in the dark after the wine and cheese social, I got completely turned around within the base. I found that I could not leave the way I came in - it took me about 20 minutes to figure a way out of the place in the dark. Maps would have been handy.	12/18/2013 12:12 AM
11	Turn air conditioning in conference rooms down.	12/17/2013 3:07 PM
12	See my answers to the previous questions.	12/17/2013 2:48 PM
13	get people to register for the break out sessions and plan rooms accordingly	12/17/2013 10:35 AM
14	Bigger auditorium (room B) and a larger waiting area	12/17/2013 10:29 AM
15	Two days? More speakers?	12/17/2013 10:14 AM
16	The size of the second room.	12/17/2013 10:13 AM
17	One less speaker so more networking time. I am not sure who you are trying to reach but I would advertise to local outdoorsman - anglers and hunters – emails to the local clubs. I would also email/mail to department chairs of schools. You could even plan it on a Sup. Conference Day so teachers would not have to miss a day in the classroom.	12/17/2013 9:48 AM
18	A few of the presentations were too technical. FI breach was interesting, but too many slides covered with arrows after a while...got confusing. LI Tiger salamander natural history and management recommendations would have been more valuable than full on genetic talk.	12/17/2013 8:34 AM
19	Which sessions are held in the large/small room.	12/17/2013 8:07 AM
20	Have enough name tags. Need extra seats in the smaller room.	12/16/2013 11:10 PM
21	I like the current location. If only we could access a larger second room. Would it be of any benefit to have only single topics being presented in the auditorium, rather than having concurrent topics in separate rooms?	12/16/2013 4:10 PM
22	Gauge which classes will be more popular and arrange between the smaller and larger rooms.	12/16/2013 4:00 PM
23	Assume we can read the agenda and abstract booklet and shorten the speaker intros. Ask the venue to replenish the refreshments during the breaks.	12/16/2013 3:53 PM

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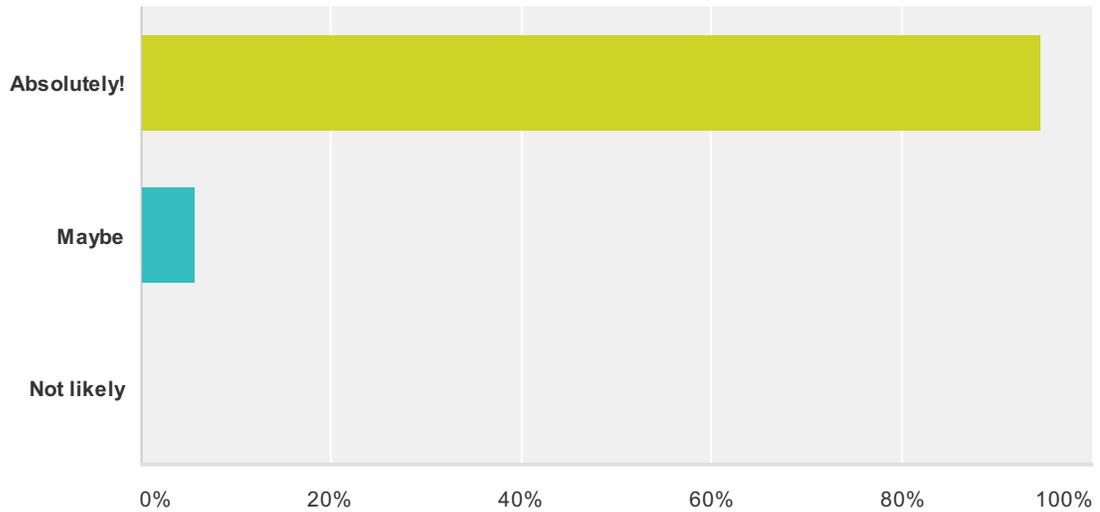
24	Bigger second room. Stay with research presentations that will have an impact on management and possibly legislation. The mammal presentation had no research, nor did the day in the life of the Carman's river.	12/16/2013 1:53 PM
25	A more comfortable venue would be appreciated (again, referring to the cramped Room B). Also, I reiterate my earlier comment about the advantages of three conference rooms and making all presentations twice, to limit the number of presentations folks were compelled to miss.	12/16/2013 12:29 PM
26	Vendor areas were crowded.	12/16/2013 12:13 PM
27	bigger meeting room for room B	12/16/2013 11:19 AM
28	Meeting room space (smaller room was too small).	12/16/2013 10:53 AM
29	try to encourage more posters	12/16/2013 10:38 AM
30	2nd room was too small to accommodate for some talks.	12/16/2013 9:45 AM
31	adequate seating and space for both talks	12/16/2013 9:25 AM
32	Perhaps in the future have a poster session as well the presentations so that during the breaks people can hear about other research happening in the area. Also, perhaps have more groups tabling at the event. There was one person selling merchandise at the event but perhaps you could invite others to sell environmental/nature themed products (especially if the conference is just before the holidays, this might be the perfect venue for selling these products).	12/16/2013 9:02 AM
33	Presentors should clearly explain/define technical terms & concepts and not assume audience is fully knowledgeable on their topic (genetics).	12/16/2013 8:50 AM
34	Seating Space .	12/16/2013 7:53 AM
35	Allow more time for " Q & A ".	12/15/2013 11:39 PM
36	If you can anticipate ahead of time a more interesting or appealing topic to most of your guests then that program should go into the larger and better room.	12/15/2013 11:49 AM
37	Larger second room	12/15/2013 9:30 AM
38	The conference room sizes are the biggest problem. On the other hand, BNL is very convenient	12/15/2013 8:36 AM
39	more interactive speakers instead of just sitting and listening	12/14/2013 9:53 PM
40	Some of lectures I attended.	12/14/2013 7:37 PM
41	Bigger room for "B" sessions.	12/14/2013 7:15 PM
42	I think 30 minute presentations with 10 min Q&A would be better. Some of the talks had at least 10 minutes of "filler material" (ie: numerous charts and graphs, etc.). Shorter, tighter presentations would hold the audience better and reduce the length of the conference by at least an hour. More would then probably stay for the wine & cheese event.	12/14/2013 6:19 PM
43	Somehow get a larger second room	12/14/2013 5:15 PM
44	Switch rooms when needed. Have two big rooms? Do quick survey of people there or when they sign up as to which presentation they would like to see.	12/14/2013 4:17 PM
45	a larger second room would be beneficial	12/14/2013 4:00 PM
46	I think you will need a larger venue.	12/14/2013 3:53 PM
47	maybe not schedule it the beginning of december. beginning of november maybe?	12/14/2013 12:55 PM
48	More posters outside of conference halls covering long island ecology.	12/14/2013 12:04 PM
49	Not pairing like presentations together ie. two carmens river topics	12/14/2013 11:29 AM
50	Needed more "discussion time"; Q&A time. I would hope that this event can produce a "State of the Island Naturally" report that can be a foundation annual document to determine progress into the future of natural history preservation and conservation efforts being productive and areas identified as needing more assistance or research. A report such as this would make this conference even more appropriate..	12/14/2013 11:01 AM
51	Might want to shorten it a bit.	12/14/2013 10:32 AM

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52	I would suggest not using the smaller meeting room, since there wasn't enough chairs and standing space for people to see the presenters.	12/14/2013 10:05 AM
53	I think you have outgrown the space. I was not able to take advantage of the field trips on Saturday, but perhaps adding a couple more next year might be something to think about.	12/14/2013 9:09 AM
54	More room	12/14/2013 8:46 AM
55	I would have liked some reference material (with contact information) on the topics presented rather than having to wait for it to be put up online.	12/14/2013 8:31 AM
56	More seating in B?	12/14/2013 8:01 AM
57	For the most part it was great. Just keep doing what you are doing.	12/14/2013 7:30 AM
58	Venue	12/13/2013 9:58 PM
59	While straight nature stuff is always interesting, discussions of popular controversies are inherently more dramatic. Almost any topic can be put in these terms, and the trick is to choose a controversy that is meaningful -- the kind that we might get into over a couple of beers.	12/13/2013 9:27 PM
60	provide each participant with an inexpensive tote bag to collect all their literature and other papers in :-) put the logo on it and this could also serve as a way of spreading the word about the organization and perhaps generating conversations about taking care of and learning about our natural environment.	12/13/2013 9:23 PM
61	I thought it was great the way it was.	12/13/2013 9:16 PM
62	Maybe more hands on or availability of field trips	12/13/2013 9:06 PM
63	If this conference can maintain this level of interesting talks, subjects and participation I do not see the need for changes. At some point there need to be a more specialize conference on a particular subject with specialized speakers and potentially a keynote address. However, for the next iteration, continue the great work in selecting topic of interest.	12/13/2013 9:01 PM
64	I think you could make it bigger with more speakers in categorized sessions. YOU would need a bigger venue.	12/13/2013 8:21 PM
65	Would be great to have more on pollution (especially water pollution), habitat restoration, endangered species, and other environmental concerns.	12/13/2013 8:01 PM

Q12 Would you participate in a future event?

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Answer Choices	Responses
Absolutely!	94.38% 84
Maybe	5.62% 5
Not likely	0% 0
Total	89

#	Please explain	Date
1	over all a good experience.	12/21/2013 3:02 PM
2	i enjoy learning about our natural history...flora fauna and research about them	12/17/2013 10:35 AM
3	Always very interesting and I learn a lot!	12/16/2013 9:25 AM
4	I'd attend every year as the topics were excellent for 2 years in a row. I would hope there will be a #3 conference!	12/15/2013 11:49 AM
5	Look forward to it	12/15/2013 9:30 AM
6	its only one day and not expensive	12/14/2013 9:53 PM
7	I am between absolutely and maybe. It really depends upon the topics being presented.	12/14/2013 6:19 PM
8	Sorry I missed last year.	12/14/2013 4:17 PM
9	i assume you mean attend. i would also help out on the day of, or otherwise. maybe a list of potential volunteers would be helpful for the organizers	12/14/2013 12:55 PM
10	Good to see all of my different acquaintances there.	12/14/2013 11:38 AM
11	I would care to offer the next venue and host to be Molloy College, Rockville Centre Nassau County	12/14/2013 11:01 AM
12	Depends on topics. If of interest, absolutely.	12/14/2013 9:54 AM
13	Keep me posted!	12/13/2013 9:23 PM
14	This is definitely a great opportunity for presentations related to Long Islands Natural History and has drawn a great deal of interest from a wide variety of folks.	12/13/2013 9:01 PM

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15	Can't wait for next year.	12/13/2013 8:21 PM
16	It is really an amazing event. Much needed to coalesce the LI environmental community.	12/13/2013 8:01 PM

Q13 What topics would you like to see covered in future Long Island Natural History Conferences?

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#	Responses	Date
1	More about coastal erosion and restoration issues.	12/28/2013 10:56 PM
2	keep on the diversity track regarding flora & fauna as well as environmental projects. Get Dr. Douglas Tallamy.	12/26/2013 8:43 AM
3	perhaps more coverage of declining turtle populations on long island.	12/21/2013 3:02 PM
4	Endangered species on Long Island and the work being done to protect them. Climate change effect on Long Island. How we can better protect our environment on Long Island. Things we can take home or teach to others. It is amazing how people that you think would know better, DON'T!	12/20/2013 9:48 AM
5	Maybe something on how to incorporate wildlife into your yard, or green technology into your home? I was also very interested in the box turtle session that used tech to track the animals -- more about how to generate and share data would be great.	12/19/2013 6:02 PM
6	Some opportunities or information on community service or activism.	12/18/2013 8:00 PM
7	Water Quality and Groundwater issues What can residents do (inexpensively) to support natural areas for the long term? Networking Volunteer opportunities for residents. Networking of information about public areas, water and land. Public Trust Doctrine in regard to natural resource access for ALL residents (see below)	12/18/2013 10:22 AM
8	More botanical discussions. And for my part, don't turn the conference into a doom and gloom session. So many conferences become weighted down with that. Many of the comments during the wrap up seemed to focus on the need to present everything from water table problems to pesticide use and non native species. It is easy to head down that troubled path- there genuinely are issues out there, big ones - but a balance is what is necessary. Many of us working for agencies or conservation groups see these problems all too often, but hearing about bats (just for example) - with the introduction of the problem of white nosed syndrome, and habitat loss - was great. The speaker discussed the issues, but overall the topic was Long Island bats (I learned so much!) - not white nose syndrome with bats thrown in. A subtle point, but I hope it serves to protect what you have, a very educational, and interesting conference. We need to deal with environmental problems, don't ignore them, but let some of the things we all became naturalists to discover be a bigger part of the discussion.	12/18/2013 12:12 AM
9	Salamanders beach flora fresh water turtles saprophytic plants diamondback terrapins Hempstead plains frogs/toads mollusks orchids crustaceans fish mammals (other than fur bearers)	12/17/2013 3:07 PM
10	Topics in the broad scope of Natural Science covering L.I. and the region are fine.	12/17/2013 2:48 PM
11	more suggestions as to how people can become engaged	12/17/2013 10:35 AM
12	Shorebirds. Conservation. Invasive species	12/17/2013 10:29 AM
13	Freshwater/groundwater resources. Marine mammals. Decline in sea star populations. Future of Pine Barrens fire ecology. Another tick updates/info.	12/17/2013 10:14 AM
14	Mariculture - shellfish restorations and ocean acidification	12/17/2013 9:48 AM
15	Island wide - habitat restoration efforts; eelgrass, aquaculture; seahorse,	12/17/2013 8:34 AM
16	More on the plants/trees of long island, and soil health/soil organisms.	12/17/2013 8:07 AM
17	More information on the effects of the reopened Old Inlet on GSBay. Info about how the hard shell clams affected. Like to hear from a trapper that actually traps on Long Island.	12/16/2013 11:10 PM

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18	I would like to see more information about current ranges of species of concern on the island. The details in the NYS Herp Atlas and Breeding Bird atlas is not sufficient for conservation planning. I also think its important to recognize that all islands are sensitive to population disruptions and this sensitivity might be greater for LI because the closest mainland connection is through one of the most intensely urban landscapes in the world. Consequently, species extirpated or greatly reduced (especially mammals and herps) probably have a much more difficult time re-establishing themselves than species extirpated or reduced in mainland Counties.	12/16/2013 4:20 PM
19	Status of endangered animals on LI, esp. the spotted salamander. Updates on the Fire Island breach. Effect of the groins in the Hamptons on the western shores of the barrier beaches. Status of the scallop/clam/lobster industries. Regrowth of the dwarf pines in Westhampton after the fire.	12/16/2013 4:10 PM
20	Bird research, more post-Sandy topics/research	12/16/2013 1:53 PM
21	The causes, and possible solutions for, the decline of winter flounder in New York's coastal waters (potential speaker, Dr. Michael Frisk at SBU) The state of the native brook trout on Long Island; including the possible presence of "salters" The fate of the bobwhite quail on Long Island, including efforts to restore the populations	12/16/2013 12:29 PM
22	overpopulation management	12/16/2013 12:13 PM
23	more mammal talks, but you had a pretty good variation of everything	12/16/2013 11:19 AM
24	Presentations on fishes/invertz of Great South Bay and north shore bays (Mt. Sinai harbor, Stony Brook Harbor, Conscience Bay, etc.). Colonial waterbirds; pine barrens wildlife; more on plants.	12/16/2013 10:53 AM
25	Groundwater, climate change/sea level rise, marine mammal turtle stranding program?	12/16/2013 10:38 AM
26	more marine topics	12/16/2013 9:59 AM
27	Specific info on climate change effects to Long Island and native species here.	12/16/2013 9:45 AM
28	perhaps more about native plants on Long Island and where one could find them.	12/16/2013 9:30 AM
29	sharks, macroinverts of freshwater, jellyfish	12/16/2013 9:25 AM
30	Hurricane Sandy recovery work (continued)	12/16/2013 9:02 AM
31	More marine science	12/16/2013 9:02 AM
32	Feral cat colony effects on wildlife, follow-up on bats	12/16/2013 8:50 AM
33	More on Mammals, insects, reptiles etc. Also, perhaps a presentation on Invasive Species.	12/16/2013 7:53 AM
34	A talk on the geologic history of LI from just before the glacial moraines through today would be interesting. Geologic fault lines in the NYC area would be another unexpected treat.	12/16/2013 7:38 AM
35	More up-dates on our evolving eco-systems. Something on invasive plants.	12/15/2013 11:39 PM
36	old growth forests on Long Island I am sure you know who is filling this form out, Daniel Karpen	12/15/2013 4:34 PM
37	The controversial allowed trapping of Long Island's rare gray fox, weasels and mink. Why does the DEC continue to allow this, as well as the hunting for the island's rare ruffed grouse. These are archaic rules that need to be done away with on Long Island. The DEC needs to redefine this controversial issue. Would they would provide an intelligent speaker on this topic for the future?	12/15/2013 11:49 AM
38	Rabies threat species and career opportunities for young folk	12/15/2013 9:30 AM
39	Emphasis on arthropods and Hurricane Sandy was great this year. I would also be interested in native and invasive flora and birds.	12/15/2013 8:36 AM
40	More about the natural history of Long Island and how we should be more responsible to make it sustainable for future generations.	12/14/2013 7:37 PM
41	Estuarine topics	12/14/2013 7:15 PM
42	The range of topics was good. Anything related to current issues (ie: Sandy) would be of interest. Topics such a invasive species, environmental changes or threats, coastal zone management, and science education would be all be of interest.	12/14/2013 6:19 PM
43	The main issue for me is the quality and protection of our aquifers. Everything revolves around water. All the professors, biologist and expert speakers will not have much to speak about if we continue to degrade the water beneath our feet.	12/14/2013 5:26 PM

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44	Climate change: effects here on Long Island --on the Pine Barrens --on the general seashore and dunes, the marshes, not just a specific part of the barrier island --on weather changes and extremes Info about pollinators: their status, importance, conservation in both wild areas and backyards, the use of neonicotinoids	12/14/2013 5:15 PM
45	Solar & Wind Power. Geothermal heating systems. Sewer systems and pollution. Deer Management: disease, habitat destruction, hunting possibilities. Cats on LI. ATV Management on Long Island. Where can people easily ride? Quail on LI. Fiddler crabs, horseshoe crabs, fish populations. Striped Bass, Bluefish. Weather forecasting. Bald Eagles on Long Island. Osprey pole locations and management. Otters on LI.	12/14/2013 4:17 PM
46	effects of climate change on long island, something about those groups that are not often appreciated eg moss, lichen, beetles etc,	12/14/2013 4:00 PM
47	Plum Island- Lets keep it undeveloped but accessible to the public.	12/14/2013 3:53 PM
48	1. the recent issue of snowy owls being shot at the airport, and the incredible grassroots, email-fueled response that inspired cuomo to change the action. 2. talk about trees - history of on LI, threats, successes. 3.relationship between farmers and "nature" on LI, how it impacts wildlife, etc 4.golf courses - good or bad? etc 5. history of controlled burning on LI and it's impacts	12/14/2013 12:55 PM
49	Long island salt marsh ecology and Long Island Sound ecology.	12/14/2013 12:04 PM
50	Only 1 botany talk of 16. And I had already seen him present this subject elsewhere recently.	12/14/2013 11:38 AM
51	Status of Horseshoe crab research and monitoring. Any work on "ecosystem health" ie sediment contaminant loads, bioaccumulation work	12/14/2013 11:01 AM
52	Issues related to management of invasive species Issues related to vector control (mosquito spraying) - wetlands and now the fact that county vector has been charged with putting together a vector control plan for ticks! Zoonotic diseases on LI - what is the status of ongoing research Management and/or policy planning for potential coyotes on LI Update on status of bats on LI...what is there true potential for keeping mosquito populations in check and what is the true status of WNS on LI? NEED for research funding exists...how do we get it?	12/14/2013 10:32 AM
53	Birds, native flora, invasive plants, species of trees found on the island, including mapping all of these.	12/14/2013 9:54 AM
54	Water quality issues, maybe a panel discussion with Carl Lobue and Christopher Gobler Effective environmental advocacy The great trees of Long Island (where they are, how they are measured and determined, etc.) history of the shellfishing industry of Long Island - its decline, what's left, and how shellfish are valuable in improving water quality. it would dovetail with discussing water quality issues.	12/14/2013 9:09 AM
55	a forum where like minded people may communicate	12/14/2013 8:57 AM
56	All have been varied and good	12/14/2013 8:46 AM
57	More on botany	12/14/2013 8:39 AM
58	Invasive species - plants, birds, animals etc. and what to do about them. Information about plants or gardens for Long Island that help bumble bees and other insects and birds that are being threatened by loss of habitat.	12/14/2013 8:31 AM
59	Invasive success stories? Is it worth it Work Audubon is doing?	12/14/2013 8:16 AM
60	Conservation efforts — both successes and failures. More coastal information — marine sciences at SUSB is doing great work. Ecosystem education — what is the ecology of the pine barrens, for example? I want to learn more about the LI ecosystems.	12/14/2013 8:01 AM
61	Some more coverage of all of Long Island, including Nassau County a little more.	12/14/2013 7:30 AM
62	More follow up on Sandy effects. Continue report on bat study	12/13/2013 9:58 PM
63	I personally am interested in nature on Fire Island.	12/13/2013 9:27 PM
64	More on native wildlife and birds and insects and reptiles and amphibians and pond life and wildflowers and fungi etc. with slides and photos to help us identify everything that we might find :-)	12/13/2013 9:23 PM
65	Flora and fauna I.D. In the field	12/13/2013 9:06 PM

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66	I have enjoyed the mix of topics and would like to see in no particular order talks on local flora and fauna. Because we are surrounded by water fisheries is always a good topic, deer management, water quality both drinking water and information on lake, streams and local marine waters, habitat issues, such as wetlands loss, Management of our open spaces. I am sure that you will receive many topics for future consideration here.	12/13/2013 9:01 PM
67	Invasive species, plant science, floras, urban nature of western LI.	12/13/2013 8:21 PM
68	Colonial waterbird surveys. Status of herpetiles on LI. Eric Lamont speaking on Orchids of LI. Any data that relates to sea-level rise and its effect on local ecosystems and local species. Talks that focus on historical natural history of LI. Doug Tallamy talking about his bringing nature home.	12/13/2013 8:01 PM
69	see above. Also it would be good to have brainstorming workshops on environmental advocacy and action strategies we could all cooperate on.	12/13/2013 8:01 PM

Q14 Have anything else to tell us?

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#	Responses	Date
1	Promote this more? (I have no life so you may be already doing a good job of that), perhaps a post newsletter with presentation summaries. Get politicians there. Keep putting it online later so we may see what we missed at other sessions. And thank you.	12/26/2013 8:43 AM
2	Good job.	12/23/2013 11:52 AM
3	very enjoyable.	12/21/2013 3:02 PM
4	I thought the conference was better attended than last year. It is just nice to be able to see folks you don't normally see. It is a social gathering as well as a educational experience.	12/20/2013 9:48 AM
5	Not being a native LI-er, I have been very bothered by the difficulty in finding water, land, beach, etc. accessses if I'm not a particular town resident. The Public Trust Doctrine allows for all to enjoy certain natural areas and places, but the access to them seems serverely restricted. GREAT CONFERENCE. THANK YOU	12/18/2013 10:22 AM
6	Had a great time. I can imagine how much work went into this - congratulations on a great success. Thank you.	12/18/2013 12:12 AM
7	Thanks for offering the conference!!	12/17/2013 3:07 PM
8	All in all a job well done!	12/17/2013 2:48 PM
9	glad it wasn't advocacy oriented and yet i'd like to see a Q&A between the audience and muni officials as to the health of long Island's natural resources...and their efforts to protect/restore	12/17/2013 10:35 AM
10	Can't wait until next year! Thank you.	12/17/2013 10:14 AM
11	Great idea - well done.	12/17/2013 8:34 AM
12	Mina ei ole kuolematon!	12/16/2013 11:10 PM
13	Looking forward to the 2014 Conference!	12/16/2013 4:20 PM
14	Great conference! Keep it going.	12/16/2013 4:10 PM
15	Thank you for a great day!	12/16/2013 4:00 PM
16	Thank you to all those involved in planning the conference.	12/16/2013 3:53 PM
17	enjoyed it, thanks!	12/16/2013 11:19 AM
18	Fabulous job!	12/16/2013 10:53 AM
19	Great Job!!!	12/16/2013 9:25 AM
20	Nope!	12/16/2013 7:53 AM
21	a few words from some of our major Land Stewards like the Cnty, State, local Towns, Peconic Land Trust etc. It might help them get over their fear of people involved in natural or environmental studies.	12/15/2013 11:39 PM
22	Glad to see everyone, including all the young people. They are the future.	12/15/2013 4:34 PM
23	Excellent job to all who worked so hard on it.	12/15/2013 11:49 AM
24	Well done-congrats	12/15/2013 9:30 AM
25	Bravo! Keep it up.	12/15/2013 8:36 AM
26	Keep up the good work!	12/14/2013 7:15 PM
27	Lots of work, good job!	12/14/2013 6:19 PM
28	Obviously, the conferences take a tremendous amount of work. Congratulations! And thank you for thinking of doing them in the first place, then following through with both the first and second!	12/14/2013 5:15 PM

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29	Thank you for doing all the hard work to make this event happen.	12/14/2013 4:17 PM
30	Keep up the good work!	12/14/2013 3:53 PM
31	the work done to make this conference happen is greatly appreciated. the tickets are really cheap. i for one would be happy to pay more, if it made life easier or more productive for the team who puts this all together, or to get speakers, etc.	12/14/2013 12:55 PM
32	Keep up the good work.	12/14/2013 12:04 PM
33	Just a great job!!! Bravo	12/14/2013 11:01 AM
34	Thank you for all of your hard work in organizing this!	12/14/2013 10:32 AM
35	The only session that I attended but did not like was the one on the Camron River. I had hoped to learn more about the river rather than a children's program.	12/14/2013 9:54 AM
36	Nice job! Thank you.	12/14/2013 8:16 AM
37	I look forward to the 3rd annual event!	12/14/2013 8:01 AM
38	Well done.	12/14/2013 7:30 AM
39	No. It was great. And surveys like this are important.	12/13/2013 9:27 PM
40	keep up the good work :-)	12/13/2013 9:23 PM
41	Thank you for pulling this conference together, you all did a great job.	12/13/2013 9:01 PM
42	I really enjoyed it.	12/13/2013 8:21 PM