

## CWSF 2010 - Peterborough, Ontario



### Travis Landry

#### Blanding's: A Species at Risk

**Division:** Life Sciences

**Category:** Intermediate

**Region:** South Shore

**City:** Bridgewater, NS

**School:** Bridgewater Junior-Senior High School

**Abstract:** Emydoidea blandingii is a nationally endangered species at risk. This study examined four data sets related to efforts to find the Blanding's turtle in the Southwest Nova Biosphere Reserve, including my trapping session at Flanders Meadow. There were no Blanding's caught. This is important because we have limited knowledge of the distribution of Blanding's in remote areas.

#### Biography

My life's passion is to work as a wildlife biologist. I have dedicated 200 volunteer hours working to conserve the endangered Blanding's turtle in Southwest Nova Scotia. I named my work with this effort as SMFT (ask if interested)! This volunteer work is how I came to do my science fair project. Other facts about my life so far include: Atlantic Canadian Judo bronze medalist (current) Nova Scotia Provincial Judo champion (former) Nova Scotia Provincial Chess champion (former) #2 rated Chess player in Atlantic Canada (grade five) Nova Scotia School Chess Team championship member (former) Co-founded a chess program for elementary students in Jamaica Play my guitar, everyday Play trumpet in the school band Run Track on my high school team Played Bantam A hockey and was second in scoring Most sportsmanlike player for my hockey team (former) Member of the Bridgewater Barracudas Swim team Really enjoy snorkeling Speak/write in English and French Solve a rubrics cube in one minute Voracious reader; favourite books are the Pendragon series

#### Awards

#### Value

The University of Western Ontario Scholarship Bronze Medallist - \$1000 Entrance Scholarship Sponsor: University of Western Ontario	\$1 000
Bronze Medal - Life Sciences - Intermediate Sponsor: Pfizer Canada	\$300
Total	\$1 300

