



## *2015 Nantucket Barn Owl Nest Box Program*

Hi Friends of Nantucket Barn Owls,

As last year, MMA is offering an opportunity for Friends of Nantucket Barn Owls to help support MMA's research and conservation efforts with these fascinating/beneficial birds.

The Spring and Summer of 2014 was a building year for the Barn Owl Population after the very severe winter of 2013/2014 that reduced the population by more than half what it was in 2013. We followed 20 adopted Barn Owl Boxes last year and we are hoping that more "Adoptions" will be sponsored this year. We will continue to study the population this year and into the future by conducting spring and fall surveys and to track how winter weather impacts the birds.

If you wish to join the MMA Barn Owl Nest Box Program this year, this is how you can Help!

**Adopt a Barn Owl Nest Box** - \$250 per box per year for the Spring and Fall Surveys or \$150 per box per year for just the Spring Survey.

What this means:

- the sponsored box(es) will be checked in the spring or spring and fall
- the box(es) will be cleaned if no owls are home or as needed if occupied
- small repairs will be made on the box
- you receive a personal report on each box you sponsor
- you receive an island-wide summary of the owl population each year
- notice of when the box(es) will be checked so that you, family and friends can be present And if adults and young are found, the opportunity to assist in the Banding.
- And most importantly, you will be supporting MMA's Science Research Programs and MMA's Internship Program.

All sponsorships are Tax-Deductible donations to MMA's Bird and Conservation Programs!

If you wish to join us in 2015 by Adopting one or more Barn Owl Boxes, please fill out the form attached and send it to the Maria Mitchell Association Barn Owl Nest Box Program.

**Note** - Only sponsored boxes are guaranteed to be monitored each year!

Happy Owling!

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The Maria Mitchell Association's  
*2015 Nantucket Barn Owl Nest Box Research Program*

I wish to support the Nantucket Barn Owl Nest Box Research Program in the following ways:

**Adopt a Barn Owl Nest Box** - \$250 per box per year for the Spring and Fall Survey or \$150 per box per year for just the Spring Survey. This is a donation and is Tax-Deductible.

No. of Adopted Boxes for Spring & Fall Surveys: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$250 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Adopted Boxes for the Spring Survey Only: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$150 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Donation Amount \_\_\_\_\_  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment by Check made payable to: *Maria Mitchell Association***

**Payment by Credit Card :** Type of Card MasterCard \_\_\_\_\_ or Visa \_\_\_\_\_

Account # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail or Drop-off this form and payment to:

Maria Mitchell Association  
Attention Barn Owl  
4 Vestal Street  
Nantucket, MA 02554

**P.S. New or Replacement Barn Owl Boxes Available:** If you wish to purchase a new box or replace an old dilapidated one, please contact Dr. Bob Kennedy and he can put you in touch with a contractor who can build and install a new Barn Owl Nest Box for you.