Inland Bays Horseshoe Crab Counts: 2007, 2008 and 2009

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What we’ve done:

• 2007
  – Three nights at James Farm

• 2008
  – Nine nights at James Farm
  – Two nights at three new beaches
    • Holts Landing
    • Bay Colony
    • Camp Arrowhead


By the numbers:

• Four beaches over nine nights
• 14 counts from 2008 (up from 3 in 2007)
• >25 volunteers from CIB and CMES students
• 2008 peak ≈7 per meter, ≈ 2007
  – Comparable to Broadkill, Fowlers, Kitts Hummock, North Bowers
• 2008 averages: James Farm comparable to Bennetts Pier, Cape Henlopen, Fortescue, Gandys and Villas
2009?

• Training session: Tuesday, 5 May at 7p at CIB
• First count: 7-9-11 May
• Big nights(?):
  – 22-24-26 May
  – 5-7-9 June
• More beaches? More nights?
• More complete counts (every meter) at James Farm?