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Advanced K9
Bed Bug Seekers

Miller Moths: Understanding and Managing the Migration

If you're a Colorado native, you're probably familiar with the annual migration of miller moths (also known as army cutworms) from the eastern plains to the mountains. This migration typically occurs between May and June, lasting anywhere from 4 to 6 weeks, with the peak migration happening over a span of two weeks. The severity of the migration varies each year, influenced by factors such as moisture, temperature, and the cultivation of early crops, which impacts caterpillar and pupae development.

Let us Help!

Get Help with Light Traps
If you're looking for an effective way to manage the influx of moths, consider renting one of our light traps. Contact us today at **970-330-3929** to learn more and to reserve your trap.

How Miller Moths get inside

Miller moths are notorious for seeking out small cracks and crevices around your home, especially in areas such as:

- Doors
- Windows
- Soffits
- Siding
- Rock beds

It's through these tiny openings that moths accidentally make their way inside.

Managing Miller Moths Inside

While it's tempting to use insecticides, they are not effective at controlling miller moths indoors and are generally a waste of time. The most effective solutions are:

- Vacuuming: Simply vacuum up moths around windows or other areas where they congregate. This is the quickest and most efficient way to handle moths indoors.
- Light Traps: These traps attract and capture moths. If you're interested, we offer light traps for rent. Give us a call for more information.

Exclusion: A Time-Consuming Solution

Exclusion involves sealing up any cracks and crevices around your home to prevent moths from entering. While this method can help, it is often very difficult to find and seal every tiny opening, making it nearly impossible to completely block them out.

Stinging Insects: Spring Season Awareness & Preventive Measures

As spring arrives, you may begin to notice an increase in the presence of stinging insects like wasps, bees, and hornets. Understanding the differences between these insects is important, as they each have distinct roles in our ecosystem. Here's a guide on how to handle these insects safely and effectively, particularly honeybees, which are vital pollinators.

Honeybees: Beneficial Pollinators

During spring, it's common to witness swarms of honeybees. This is a natural occurrence where the hive splits, and the bees are in search of a new home. These swarms are usually found in clusters on fence posts or in trees. The best course of action is to leave them undisturbed. In 99% of cases, the honeybees will move on overnight. If the bees establish a hive in a wall void or another location that poses a risk, contact us immediately. We can help coordinate with a local beekeeper to safely and humanely relocate the bees.

Wasps and Hornets: Early Spring Activity

Wasps and hornets can be more noticeable during early spring. The only wasps and hornets that survive the winter are the founding queens. On warm days, these queens are often seen around soffits, gutters, fences, and other sheltered areas as they start building their nests. They typically construct their first few cells, which they use to lay eggs that will later hatch into worker insects.

This is the ideal time to prevent future issues by addressing and removing any early-stage nests. Our **Stinging Insect Service** can help remove these nests before they grow larger and more aggressive. We recommend pairing this service with one of our regular monthly or bi-monthly pest control services for ongoing protection.

Prevention & Services

Spring is the best time to proactively manage stinging insect problems. Contact us for a comprehensive inspection and treatment to protect your home or business from future stinging insect issues. Our **Stinging Insect Services** can be customized to meet your needs and provide peace of mind throughout the season.

Spring Services: Keep Your Home Pest-Free This Season

As the weather warms up, insects and spiders are beginning to emerge both inside and outside your home. Ants and spiders are common pests in Colorado, and if you've been considering professional pest control services, **Northern Colorado Pest and Wildlife Control** is here to help. Whether you need a **one-time service** or are interested in **year-round protection**, we've got you covered.

What Sets Us Apart from the Competition?
Unlike many pest control companies, we do **not** lock our customers into long-term contracts. Our goal is to earn your business every time by providing exceptional service. With our service agreements, you can **cancel at any time**, and we stand behind our promise with no strings attached.

Typical Residential Service Includes:

- **Comprehensive Inspection:** We'll inspect your home's exterior, including turf-grass areas, rock beds, mulched areas, and other potential entry points for pests.
- **Exterior Barrier:** We apply a commercial-grade insecticide that is both effective and safe for the applicator, homeowner, and pets. The treatment is applied around the foundation, windows, doors, eaves, and any other areas where pests tend to gather.
- **Interior Treatment:** We can treat the inside of your home with insecticides or, if you prefer, use **chemical-free methods.**
- **De-webbing:** We will remove accessible cobwebs around the exterior of your home to restore its fresh appearance.

Is the Insecticide Spray Safe?
Yes! Once the insecticide has dried (typically within **20 minutes**), it is completely safe. Please follow your technician's guidance on dry times, and feel free to ask any questions during the service.

Service Recommendations:
We recommend our **Every Other Month Service** or **6 services per year** to ensure a **pest-free home** all year round. This package comes with a **warranty**, and our team will work with you to resolve any pest issues you may encounter after treatment. After service, it's common to see wandering insects or spiders for up to **48 hours**, but after the first week, your home should be free of pests. If you're still experiencing issues after that time, we want to know so we can meet your expectations.

Our **Every Other Month Service** can also be paired with other specialized services like **rodent control, mosquito control,** and **stinging insect** control to give you full protection year-round.

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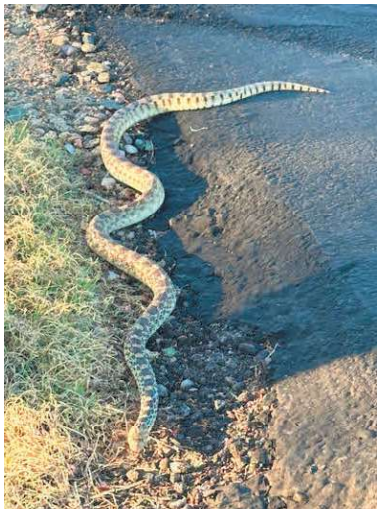
Why Choose Northern Colorado Pest and Wildlife Control?
You have many pest control options, but at Northern Colorado Pest and Wildlife Control, we pride ourselves on providing the best service in the area. Our team is dedicated to ensuring your home remains safe, comfortable, and free of pests.
Thank you for considering us as your trusted pest control provider. We look forward to hearing from you!

Snake Protocols: Keeping Your Home Safe from Snakes

Snake services are some of the most challenging and anxiety-inducing services we provide, and we understand the stress they can cause. Snakes are often spotted in the spring as they emerge from hibernation, and it's not uncommon to find them on your property during this time.

What to Do If You Spot a Snake:
If you encounter a **ball of snakes** or a snake on your property, it's time to call the professionals at **Northern Colorado Pest and Wildlife Control**. Our team is trained to assess the situation and determine the best course of action to address the issue. In some cases, when you spot a snake and wish to have it removed, it may be challenging due to the time it takes for us to reach the scene. By the time we arrive, the snake may have already moved on. We will do our best to locate and remove the snake(s), but please note that there is no guarantee of success. This service is chargeable regardless of whether we find a snake, as we are covering the time and resources spent on the service.



Snakes Inside Your Home:
For customers who are unlucky enough to find snakes inside their homes (and have resisted the urge to burn it down), we offer a specialized service to help. Our process involves:

- **Setting Traps:** We will strategically place traps to capture the snake(s) and safely remove them from your home.
- **Snake Proofing:** We will inspect your home to identify how the snakes are getting inside and take preventative measures to seal those entry points. This service is similar to our rodent control services and focuses on long-term prevention to ensure snakes don't find their way in again.

Need Help with Snakes?

If you have a snake problem, **call us** immediately. Our experienced team is here to help you safely address the issue and prevent future occurrences. We understand how unsettling snake encounters can be, and we're committed to providing the best solution for your peace of mind.

Employee of the Quarter

Gabby Turner

Gabby has over 6 years of customer service experience. She enjoys spending time with family, playing video games, cooking and when our customers put their credit card on file for autopay. She would also like our customers know they can save 5% by pre-paying for a year's worth of services.

A Note From the Office

Please note that our mailing address will be changing effective **May 1st, 2025**. Kindly update your records to reflect our new address for all future invoices and correspondence:

Northern Colorado Pest & Wildlife Control
2881 S 31st Ave, Ste 12
Greeley, CO 80631

We appreciate your attention to this update. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

What are customers say about us

> We were very happy with the quick response time and the technician was very knowledgeable and understanding. I definitely will call this company first when I need help with pest control.

Trackers Corner

Meet Milligan: The Newest Nose on the Team!

We're thrilled to introduce Milligan, our newest K9 team member at Advanced K9 Bed Bug Seekers! Trained in the precise art of live bed bug scent detection, Milligan brings a sharp nose, focused work ethic, and a whole lot of heart to every inspection.

Milligan has quickly proven to be a reliable and enthusiastic partner in the field. With a strong drive to work and an excellent ability to stay on task, he's already helping protect homes, hotels, and businesses with precision and confidence.

Whether it's a routine inspection or a more complex case, Milligan is sniffing out bed bugs so you don't have to.

Welcome to the team, Milligan!

Brandon Ewals-Strain and his wife Kristen are the proud owners and operators of Northern Colorado Pest & Wildlife Control. With a career in the pest industry that began in 2004, Brandon brings over two decades of experience in both pest and wildlife management services.

He holds a bachelor's degree in wildlife biology (2005) and a master's degree in Entomology (2017), both from Colorado State University. His strong academic foundation and hands-on expertise have made him a respected leader in the field.

Brandon currently serves as Vice President of the Colorado Pest Control Association (CPCA) for 2025 and is set to become President in 2026. Over the past year, he has been an active CPCA board member and Chair of the Education Committee, organizing the association's Spring and Fall Conferences and coordinating speakers for continuing education credits for technicians across the state.

In addition to his work with CPCA, Brandon is also a board member of Professional Women in Pest Management, where he contributes to the Education Committee, promoting industry knowledge and growth across diverse communities.

Always looking for ways to bring the industry together, Brandon is launching the CPCA's first-ever golf tournament this spring—an event designed to connect business owners, technicians, vendors, and customers for networking, refreshments, and a fun round of golf.

Ashley has been with NoCo Pest & Wildlife since early 2020. She is currently the President of PWIPM (Professional Women in Pest Management), a chapter under CPCA (Colorado Pest Control Association). Ashley is the predecessor of Kristen (who you may recognize as co-owner of NoCo Pest & Wildlife and Advanced K9) as president of PWIPM. Please see the QR code to learn more about the expanding PWIPM group supporting women.

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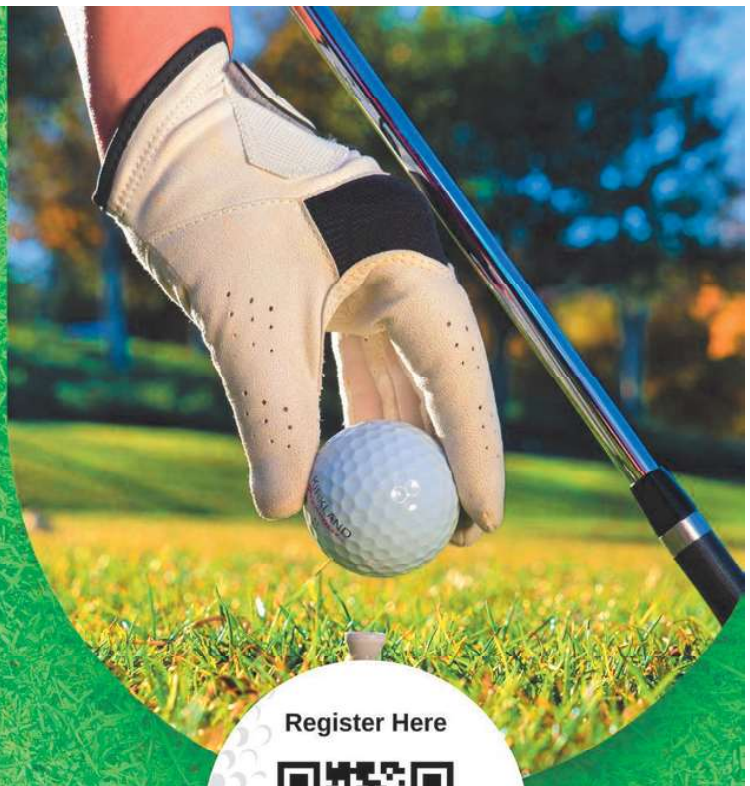

FEES

$200 PER GOLFER

$750 PER FOURSOME

$50 MULLIGAN/DRINK PACK

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THORNTON CREEK GOLF COURSE
13555 WASHINGTON ST,
THORNTON, CO 80241

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AGENDA

7:00 - 8:30 AM	Register, Warm Up, and Breakfast
8:30 AM	Shotgun Start
12:30 to 3:00 PM	Lunch and Awards

Golf, Cart, Breakfast and Lunch Provided

Register Now

Call Brandon with any questions at 970-590-1151