

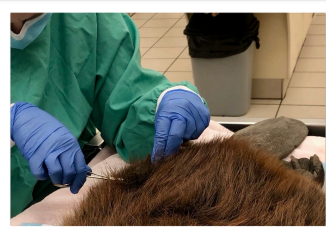
IWRS NEWSLETTER

Year Review |

1st Operational Grant |

2024 Goals

We couldn't do it without you!



Our community has proven to "have our backs" - so we can do our work as well as possible. From a sad situation of a seizure of animals from an unlicensed wildlife caretaker (we were asked to assist government officials) ...



...to having to find professional help for large wild bird captures. It takes special dedication and commitment to help wildlife stay wild and healthy.

Our third year

Goals & Milestones of 2023 - a recap!

May - OK College "Indigenous Women in Trades" students built us an aquatic mammal shed - now insulated, chew-proved and painted for adult and infant beavers

June - Our provincial permit was expanded to include further small mammal species (skunk, marmot, porcupine, chipmunk)

July - Received first 3-year grant by the Central Okanagan Foundation (COF) to include some operational costs of our facility

August - Semi-aquatic mammal compound expanded to new indoor/outdoor beaver pens

October - Seasonal water hookup expanded to all year-round irrigation water for our pools

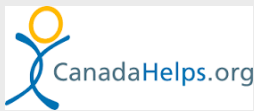


Our Wishlists

Have you checked out our online wish list?

You can order online:
interiorwildlife.ca/ways-to-support-us

Invitation to become a **monthly IWRS donor** via CanadaHelps, vital support for our running costs. Ask us how!



With gratitude

Special **thank you** to one of our volunteer veterinarians **Dr. Mike**, helping us pro-bono amputating a broken bird's toe on his "lunch break".

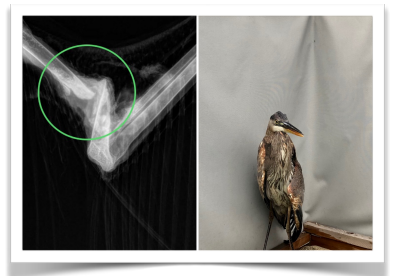


Acknowledgements

We are humbled to be able to promote co-existence with wildlife on unceded Syilx Okanagan Nation territory. We are also so grateful to use the Summerland private property we are working on.

Avian aquatic case of Nov

When wading and shore birds get themselves into a life-threatening situation of serious entanglement, we run the diagnostics and give the much needed supportive medical and nursing care. For this young heron, his outcome meant humane euthanasia. It wasn't for the lack of trying, that's for sure.



Our goals for 2024

Winter - Working with more like-minded organizations on beaver & bat coexistence projects

Spring - Expanding our online presence (beaver cam live stream, YouTube channel)

Summer - Improving our pool filtration systems & outdoor duckling & gosling care upgrades to facility



Fall - Collaboration with local 1st Nations Bands (arts/mural and conservation projects)