## IWRS NEWSLETTER

Year Recap 2024

3rd Wildlife Seacan

2025 Goals

# Wildlife Rehab - a community effort on all levels



Our challenges come in various shades: wildlife disease and injury, then financial and provincial lawrelated challenges.

We have received support and encouragement in all of the above. We remain amazed!!!

Focussing on the goal. That's what we do. Like-minded supporters, volunteers and donors are finding us.

A heartfelt thank you to all of you, including:





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#### Goals & Milestones of our 4th year -

#### A recap!

**Winter** - Collaboration with more beaver, bat and wetland specialists, check! **Spring** - Expanding our

online presence via live stream: BeaverCam, check! **Summer** - Improving our pool filtration systems & upgrades to aquatic facilities for overwintering beaver kits, to be continued and expanded...

**Fall** - Collaboration with local artists for a wildlife mural across several seacans, established, done!

**Plus:** What we didn't even plan on, but accomplished anyways, raising the level of animal care as follows:

- Porcupine and goose surgeries performed successfully (thanks to our current 3-year operating grant from the COF)
- Incubated and hatched native turtle eggs in new 3rd seacan (sponsored by a CFNO grant), they were laid





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Charity #: 744 332 479 RR0001

### Monthly Donors = vital support

**Invitation** to become a **monthly donor** via CanadaHelps.

With just **25\$/month** you can become a vital supporter for our running costs. Let's increase our monthly donorship to double digits!!

#### With gratitude

**Shout out** to our amazing regular volunteers! Cleaning/ feeding/running errands/ answering public inquiry emails/even manning info booths and doing release presentations! So proud to have such a great team!!!

Ryan, Anna, Jody, Nathalie, Kim, Shannon, Darrel, Tiffany and Joni :-)



#### 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.

by an injured female turtle that came into our in care - Admitted 2 unrelated orphaned beaver kits as transfers from other BC centres (overwintering with us now & visible on our



"livestream" for as long as we have online sponsors)



#### Our goals for 2025

**Facilities:** Improving beaver pool filtration systems & expansion of beaver holding facilities for

relocating "nuisance beavers" to restored wetlands

#### **Summer volunteers:**

Increasing housing to x2 RVs for international summer students to help us out with farm chores



Partnerships: Increasing

capacities to partner with more local beavercoexistence professionals and further beaver-related knowledge development

**Elevating level of care:** Obtaining our own diagnostic veterinary equipment (x-ray, blood testing machines).

#### IWRS 2024 stats:

- -> 1,673 public inquiries answered
- -> 95 wild animals admitted
- -> 55 birds, 35 mammals, 7 reptiles