



Time Flies!

When I was asked if I'd like to write an article for the newsletter reflecting on my first year as Executive Director at Wolf Hollow I'm sure I looked confused – surely an entire year hadn't passed – but to my surprise, it had. They say time flies when you're having fun, and time, like a raptor, has flown. This last year has been one of re-connection for me – moving back to the islands, resuming my relationship with Wolf Hollow and wildlife rehabilitation, restoring old friendships, and trying to remember the post office closes at 3pm and Market Place isn't open on Sundays....

It has also been a year of deep, deep gratitude, the kind you can't express adequately with words, but I will give it a try. Wolf Hollow is a small organization that does really big things: saves wild lives. How do we do this with a tiny staff and modest budget? With the help of a large group of community members, volunteers, donors and supporters like you. You are the reason that last year we were able to care for almost 500 wild patients, answer thousands of phone calls to assist those with wildlife questions, give presentations to school children and the public and be on call for wildlife emergencies 24 / 7. I am thankful to you all, and my small but mighty staff, because without you I wouldn't be here writing this letter, living my dream job, helping save wild lives.

In this edition of the newsletter we attempt to thank all of those who have helped us throughout the year, from volunteers to local businesses that assist in various ways, to the foundations, grantors and donors who help sustain

us financially. We don't have enough room to list everyone, because then this would be a book, not a newsletter, but we hope we have personally thanked each and every one of you at some point: if not, please contact us and give us a chance to, we would love to hear from you.

So, there you have it — 2014 flew by like an owl in the night and now we are already into a new year, with new patients and new opportunities and

new challenges. We hope you will come with us on this year's journey; read our newsletters, both printed and email, join us at our open house on April 4th (your only chance to see the facility before we have too many patients to show you around), come to our "Baby Shower" event in early June, and let us thank you for all you do again and again.

Julie Duke
Executive Director



Harbor Seal

Cameo, the Harbor Seal

This Harbor Seal pup was only a few days old when she was brought to Wolf Hollow in mid-July. Several people had seen her alone, swimming around in Friday Harbor Marina, following boats and people and coming up on shore. After monitoring her for a while to see if her mother would return, the San Juan County Marine Mammal Stranding Network picked up the pup and brought her to Wolf Hollow for care.

When she arrived she was thin, weak and dehydrated, weighed only 17.5 pounds and had small wounds on her flippers. We put her in one of the tubs in our nursery area, cleaned her wounds and started giving her fluids to rehydrate her. At first she was very quiet and didn't move around much, but after a couple of days of rest and several feeds of special formula, she obviously felt stronger and started to swim and splash at "bath time." Over the next few weeks she progressed quickly to eagerly swallowing her first fish and enjoying her first swim in a pool with other pups. Only ten days after being hand-fed her first fish, Cameo worked out how to eat fish on her own off the bottom of the pool - and there was no holding her back! She rapidly gained weight, was soon swimming strongly in the biggest pool and by mid-September weighed over 50 pounds and was ready to go back out into the wild.

Here are a few of the 482 animals you helped us care for in 2014

Including 141 songbirds, 52 raptors, 35 water birds, 17 corvids, 17 doves and pigeons, 9 woodpeckers, 6 herons, 25 other birds, 166 land mammals, 12 aquatic mammals and 2 amphibians or reptiles.



Long-tailed Weasel

This little creature was found lying on the floor of a hardware store in Mount Vernon. His mother had a nest in a hole in the wall of the store and we presume something disturbed her in the process of moving her babies, so this one got left behind. The staff put the little animal in a box and left it next to the hole to see if mom would come back, but after several hours she hadn't returned. It was a tiny thing, smaller than a finger, weighing only 94 grams. Its eyes and ears were just opening but we discovered it already had some sharp, pointy teeth. It was a little weak and dehydrated, so we gave it some fluids and started working out how best to feed formula to such a tiny creature. We needn't have worried! When we put down a small plate of soft kitten food and formula it slurped it all down in seconds and tried to eat the rim of the dish too. These feisty little creatures can escape through even a tiny hole so we

kept it in an aquarium where it snoozed in its nest until the next feeding time. Soon it was running around, climbing all over branches and dragging pieces of raw meat into its hiding place. As it grew it also started to hiss and spit and produce an amazingly strong musky smell when it was disturbed. Time to move outside! The little weasel spent another couple of weeks in an outdoor enclosure, getting used to outdoor temperatures and smells, and learning to eat whole mice, before it was sent back to Mount Vernon for release.

Trumpeter Swan

In fall and early winter we received several swans for care. Sadly most of them were suffering from serious injuries or lead poisoning and did not survive, but one swan managed to pull through. The report we received was that a big, white bird had "fallen from the sky" just outside Eastsound on Orcas Island. Another bird, presumably its mate, had landed in a field nearby. When we examined the swan we discovered that she was very thin, and so weak she could barely stand up, but we couldn't find any obvious wounds or injuries. Thankfully radiographs showed no broken bones and blood tests showed that she had no infection and had only low levels of lead.

This all makes it sound like her care would be simple: just provide fluids, meds and food until she regains her strength. Unfortunately it's not that easy. Swans live in flocks, so often become stressed or depressed when they are on their own and refuse to eat. We provided the necessary care while minimizing handling to reduce her stress, and after several days she started eating on her own and gaining weight. By the end of the first week she was strong enough to be moved into an outdoor enclosure where she had more space to move around, but spent most of her time pacing up and down. Then, to our surprise, she took off and flew. It was great to know she was strong enough to do this, but we worried she would injure herself hitting the netting. Ideally we wanted her to gain more weight and strength, then be released back with her mate – but where was he? Volunteers on Orcas looked for groups of swans but mostly saw families with youngsters, not a lone swan or groups of adults. As the days went by, we decided to minimize the stress of transport by releasing her on a lake on San Juan Island where over 20 swans had gathered. She stepped out of the carrier and swam off across the lake, honking softly, then flew to the other side, took a quick bath and was last seen swimming with other swans.



Rhinoceros Auklet

“We just found some kind of seabird in one of the life boats, and we don’t know if it’s injured or how long it has been there”.

We received this call from one of the crew on a ferry between Orcas and San Juan. The only way to be sure what kind of bird it was and what condition it was in was for us to check it over, so the crew member put the bird in a box and we collected it when the ferry docked in Friday Harbor.

It turned out to be a young Rhinoceros Auklet that had no injuries, was active, alert and feisty (with a nice, sharp beak!) We presumed it must have crash-landed in the life boat and been stuck there. The only problem we could see was that the feathers on its underside were slightly soiled. This can be a huge problem for a diving bird like an auklet because soiled or damaged feathers can ruin its waterproofing. We rinsed off the soiled area, gave the auklet a test swim in a tub, and were delighted when water droplets beaded nicely on the surface and its underfeathers were dry. The auklet was still waterproof!

Within an hour we were releasing the bird where a group of auklets were seen feeding just off shore. It splashed a couple of times, dived and didn’t resurface until it was fifty feet away. It flapped its wings a few times then looked around as if to say: what a weird day!



Cedar Waxwing



We care for a lot of young songbirds each year and they are some of our most interesting patients. But, they are also some of the most difficult to get good photos of because they are always moving. This fledgling Cedar Waxwing was no exception. It was constantly hungry, and when it begged for food it fluttered its little wings and its whole body quivered. This youngster was found on the ground in a yard in Anacortes in early July. It had most of its feathers but wasn’t quite ready to fly and should still have been in its nest. The home owner didn’t know where the nest was and wasn’t sure if neighborhood cats had been involved, so one of our volunteers sent it over to Wolf Hollow for care. The young waxwing was slightly dehydrated, but uninjured, and was alert and eager to gape for food every 30 minutes. By the next day it was stronger and was soon ready to move from its artificial nest to a fledgling cage where it could hop around. We didn’t have any other Waxwings in care at the time, but did have a Black-headed Grosbeak of about the same age, so the two little characters shared a cage. We had fun watching the yellow tips appear on the Waxwing’s tail, then its black face-mask. Soon the pair had learned to eat on their own and were flapping their wings, so were moved into an outdoor aviary where they spent a couple of weeks perfecting their flying skills before being released in mid-August.

2014 Statistics

Number of animals		
Birds	302	62.7%
Mammals	178	36.9
Amphibians/Reptiles	2	0.4
Total	482	

Causes		
Orphaned/Separated	152	31.5%
Cat Attack	66	13.7
Hit by Car	34	7.1
Nest Destroyed	33	6.8
Dog Attack	25	5.2
Window/Building	23	4.8
Unknown	105	21.8
Other	44	9.1
(fishing gear, poisoned, shot, etc.)		

Results		
Released	209	43.4%
Euthanized	151	31.3
DOA	60	12.4
Died	59	12.2
In Treatment	2	0.4
Transferred	1	0.2
	482	

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Wolf Hollow Wildlife Rehabilitation Center

2014 Annual Report

Our mission: *To promote the well-being of wildlife and their habitats through rehabilitation of injured and orphaned wildlife, public education and non-invasive research.*

Summary of Changes and Achievements

Board of Directors

Names of current Board Members are listed below. During 2014 Elyse Van den Bosch and Tamara Weaver left the board and we welcomed new board members Jan Sanburg, Julie Knight, Bonni Distler, Scott Van Buskirk, Kat Hay and Andrea Doll. Our thanks to all our board members for their work on Wolf Hollow's behalf.

Staff

Staff members as of the end of 2014 are also listed below. The following changes took place during the year. Julie Knight stepped down after six years as our Executive Director and we welcomed Julie Duke to that position. Later in the year Marc Brown joined our team as Volunteer Coordinator.

Our thanks to Seasonal Rehabber, Cara Gates, for all her hard work over the summer months.

Rehab

Our rehab staff, interns and volunteers cared for 482 animals in 2014, representing 94 different species. This



Raccoon kit

newsletter includes the stories of just a few of these animals, and the rehab statistics for the year are shown on the facing page.

Education

Our education department took part in 104 presentations and activities during 2014, reaching about 3883 people. This included presentations to organizations, activities with school classes and children's groups, weekly

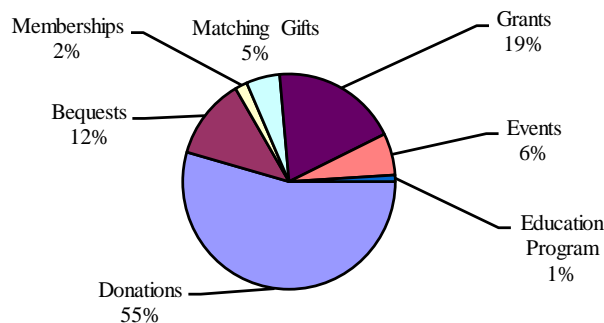
talks at local parks and educational displays at fairs, festivals and other events. Nine students completed Wildlife Rehabilitation Internships with us during 2014.

Facilities

Projects completed during 2014 included completely rebuilding a medium-sized flight enclosure, thanks to a generous donation from Curtiss Wikstrom in memory of his wife Sharon. A grant from Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife enabled us to repair the fence around our one-acre Deer Enclosure and the perches in our Eagle Flight Cage.

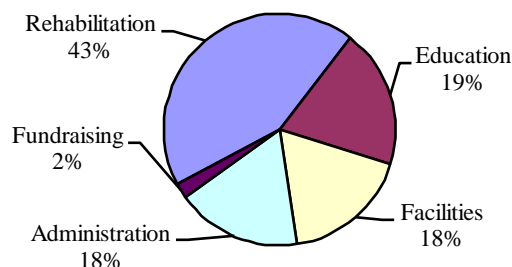
2014 Revenue

Donations	\$102,875
Bequests	24,276
Membership	3,725
Matching Gifts	10,192
Grants	38,130
Events	12,527
Education Program	1,949
In-Kind	5,562
Total	\$199,206



2014 Expenditures

Rehabilitation	\$95,964
Education	42,759
Facilities	39,332
Administration	38,837
Fundraising	4,784
Total	\$221,676



Board of Directors

Chris Minney – President
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Staff

Julie Duke – Executive Director
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 Penny Harner – Wildlife Rehabilitator
 Vicki Taylor – Wildlife Rehabilitator
 Shona Aitken – Education Coordinator
 Mark Billington – Facilities Manager
 Marc Brown – Volunteer Coordinator

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Spring/Summer Events

Sat April 4th — Wolf Hollow Open House, 11-3pm

Have you every wondered how big our Eagle Flight enclosure is or what facilities we need to take care of seals? Now's your chance to find out, before our busy baby season starts. Come to our Open House to meet staff and board members, take a guided tour of our facility and learn more about the work we do. As our parking space is very limited, we ask that you park in Friday Harbor and catch our shuttle bus.

Sat May 23rd — 20th Annual Bite of Orcas, 11-3pm Eastsound Village Green
Don't miss our 20th Annual Bite of Orcas. Join us to celebrate and to taste all kinds of delicious foods provided by Orcas restaurants and cafes. Your every bite helps a critter!

June — Summer "Baby Shower" Event

Hundreds of injured or orphaned baby wild animals need our care every summer. Come to this fun event to learn more about how we care for these little creatures and to help provide the food, bedding and other supplies we need to take care of them. We're still planning, so please visit our web site in a few weeks for more details.

Visit www.wolfhollowwildlife.org for more information about these events.

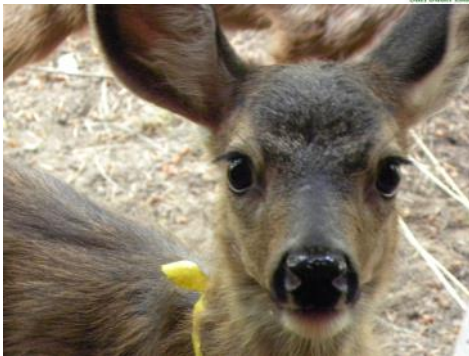


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Black-tailed Deer fawn

Barn Owlets

These two Barn Owlets are part of a family that were sent to us when someone found them in a barn with other dead owls nearby. They knew rat poison was being used in the area and were concerned that the dead owls were the youngsters' parents. As is typical of Barn Owls, the youngsters were of a range of ages. The smallest one was mostly downy with just a few feathers, while the older birds had most of their beautiful adult plumage but still had tufts of down sticking up on their heads. They were all thin, lethargic and dehydrated, so it took a few days of care for them to recover their strength. We could tell they were feeling better when they started hissing and screaming whenever we went to feed them or clean their cage. From then on they progressed quickly and soon had all their adult feathers, were eating whole mice all on their own and were practicing their flying skills in an outdoor enclosure. The young owls were released together near a nice barn on the Skagit flats.

