

40 Years!

In 2023 Wolf Hollow celebrates 40 years of operation as a licensed Wildlife Rehabilitation Center.

It all started as a domestic animal vet clinic in Friday Harbor. Veterinarian Jessica Porter and vet. assistant Judith Carter were occasionally called upon to care for injured or orphaned wild animals. The very first wild animal treated was a Great Horned Owl in March 1982.

From then on, the number of wild creatures needing their care grew, so in 1983 Wolf Hollow became a licensed wildlife rehab center in Washington State. Before they knew it, there was a seal pup in the bathtub and fawns in the backyard. They needed more space. In 1986, a 40-acre site in the middle of San Juan Island was leased, and with the help of their husbands, friends and many volunteers, work began to create a wildlife rehabilitation center. At that time, the only structure was a metal building used to house agricultural machinery. This was renovated to provide animal care rooms and living quarters, and several outdoor animal enclosures were built. 172 animals were cared for at Wolf Hollow's new location in 1987.

Over the years more enclosures have been built to house the increasing number of animals and range of species treated at Wolf Hollow. Now our facility includes 30 different enclosures, ranging from songbird aviaries and duckling tubs to seal pools and an eagle flight cage. Our area of service has gradually expanded to include all the San Juan Islands, Skagit County and northern Whidbey Island, and we're currently caring for around 450-500 animals each year.

Other parts of Wolf Hollow's mission have also developed over the years. Through partnerships with other organizations, we have taken part in research projects ranging from monitoring lead levels in raptors to collecting samples for genetic analysis of Northern Flying Squirrels found in the San Juan Islands. Our Education Outreach Program has gradually developed, and now reaches



Northern Saw-whet Owl (see story on back page)

4,000-5,000 people each year, through a combination of presentations, activities and local events. Our Internship Program has grown from 2 or 3 local students to 8 or 9 interns each year, coming from throughout the US and beyond.

We have achieved a great deal in the past 40 years. Over 20,000 animals have been treated, more than 100,000 people have participated in our education activities, and 230 young people have taken part in our internship program.

But numbers only tell a tiny part of the story. A huge part of Wolf Hollow's story is the people involved. Without our founders, who had the foresight and determination to lay the foundations of the organization, Wolf Hollow would not be here today. Every year and at every stage of Wolf Hollow's progress, there have

been staff and board members, volunteers and supporters who have kept the organization going and moving forward. Whether they fed a nestling robin, transported an injured hawk, repaired an enclosure, carried out an education presentation, helped with a fundraising event, called to report an orphaned otter kit or donated funds, each person has played an essential part. Thousands of people have made Wolf Hollow what it is today.

What Now? What will Wolf Hollow look like in 10, 20 or even 40 years' time?

It's impossible to look into the future and know for certain, but we'd like to think that no matter who is involved and how the organization develops, two things will remain constant – our mission and the need for many people to work together to keep that mission alive and well.

Wolf Hollow's Mission - Promoting the well-being of wildlife and their habitats through rehabilitation of injured and orphaned wildlife, public education, and non-invasive research.

Thank You all for being part of Wolf Hollow's history and part of its future too.

In 2022 we cared for 438 animals

144 songbirds, 28 hummingbirds, 42 raptors, 38 water birds
143 land mammals, 7 aquatic mammals

Pigeon Guillemot Chick

In early July a little ball of black fluff with webbed feet was found on Guemes Island and dropped off at a vet clinic in Anacortes. It was obviously a water bird, but what could this little guy be? After some research, we discovered it was a Pigeon Guillemot chick. In Wolf Hollow's 40-year history, we've only received two injured adult guillemots, so this chick was a first. Luckily, he was not difficult to care for. In the wild, Pigeon Guil-



lemot chicks live in burrows or crevices between rocks while their parents deliver a steady supply of small fish, so we housed him in a tub and supplied him with smelt and herring pieces. He eagerly grabbed fish from forceps, then quickly learned to pick them up from a shallow dish on his own. In a few short weeks he grew from a fluffy chick to a sleek young bird with black and white feathers. Young guillemots leave their nests and head out onto the water as soon as they can swim and dive, so after a few days in an outdoor enclosure and swim tests to check the waterproofing of his feathers, he was ready for release. We chose a spot where there were other guillemots and watched as he plopped into the water and swam out across the bay.



"The love for all living creatures is the most noble attribute of man."

Charles Darwin

"The message is simple:
love and conserve our wildlife."

Steve Irwin

Hooded Mergansers

These Hooded Merganser ducklings were found wandering around among buildings on San Juan Island, with no adult in sight. The callers waited for a while to make sure Mom wasn't nearby, then gently scooped the ducklings into a box and brought them to Wolf Hollow. They were only a few days old and were cold, wet and stressed, so we immediately put them in an incubator to warm up and snuggle into their feather-duster "Mom". Sadly 2 of the youngsters didn't survive that first night, but the others were lively the next morning. These little ducklings tend to be high-stress and often don't eat well without Mom to guide them, so we weighed them daily to make sure they were eating well. Soon they were living in a tub with a heat lamp and having swims twice a day. At first, they could only stay in the water for a few minutes before they got cold and wet, but gradually they stayed in longer and longer and started to duck under water to eat mealworms. Their next step was to move into an outdoor enclosure where they could sit on logs in the sun or swim in a pool. Eight weeks after they arrived, they had grown from tiny, downy ducklings to fully-feathered young mergansers that were ready to be released on a nearby lake.



ls, representing 93 species, including:
 ds, 6 doves and pigeons, 5 corvids, 9 woodpeckers and 6 other birds,
 ls, 6 flying mammal and 4 amphibians or reptiles

Swallow Nestlings

Most of the young swallows we cared for last summer were nestlings that were found on the ground when they had fallen from their nest or their nest had been destroyed, but two Barn Swallows had very different stories. A nurse in Mt Vernon was visiting a patient in their home when she discovered that they had a tiny baby bird that they'd had for over a day. The nurse took the bird to a local vet clinic, where one of our volunteers picked it up. This little swallow proved just how tough these delicate-looking little birds can be. It was weak and dehydrated at first, but after several hours of being fed nutritious food, it made an amazing recovery. It lifted its head and was actively gaping to be fed every 30 minutes. Within a few days its feathers were growing in, and it was starting to perch on the edge of its nest, so it was ready to move into a fledgling cage to stretch its wings. At this point it was joined by another fledgling Barn Swallow. On its first flight from its nest under a pier, this young bird miscalculated and landed on a kid's paddle board. The child panicked and swept it into the water, then realized what was going on and rescued the bird. Apart from being a bit cold and wet, the swallow was healthy, so after a few days in an enclosure practicing their flying and bug-catching skills, the 2 young Barn Swallows were able to join other swallows flying free above the rehab center.



Harbor Seal Pup

This young pup was seen alone on a busy beach on Patos Island and was brought to Wolf Hollow by the local marine mammal stranding network. When she arrived, she was less than a week old and was weak, emaciated, severely dehydrated and hypoglycemic. We quickly administered fluids and medication, and gradually introduced her to our special high-fat seal formula. For a few days she seemed to improve, then she had a hypoglycemic crash and became unconscious. She responded well to emergency treatment but was still lethargic and had digestive issues. We consulted with our vet and tried various supplements and meds, but nothing seemed to help. This went on for 2 weeks, then gradually she became more active and started splashing around in her bath. She was able to go out for swims in a pool, learned to eat fish, and finally started to gain weight. From then on, she rapidly made up for lost time. She enthusiastically ate lots of fish on her own off the bottom of the pool and started to catch up with the other pups. By the time she was released in mid-October she was fat and healthy, weighed over 50 pounds and was a very different seal from the weak, 14-pound pup that had been brought to us only 10 weeks earlier.

2022 Statistics

Number of animals		
Birds	278	63.5
Mammals	156	35.6
Amphibians or Reptiles	4	0.9
Total	438	

Causes		
Orphaned or Separated	105	24%
Cat Attack	67	15.3
Hit by Car	38	8.7
Hit window or building	24	5.5
Dog Attack	20	4.6
Nest Destroyed	16	3.6
Fell from Nest	9	2.0
Human Interference	6	1.4
Cause unknown	103	23.5
Other	50	11.4
(fishing gear, shot, glue trap, poisoned, oiled, caught in fence, etc.)		

Results		
Released	144	32.9
Euthanized on Arrival	123	28.1
Dead on Arrival	76	17.3
Died	61	13.9
Euthanized	33	7.5
Transferred	1	0.2
Total	438	

Released — Excluding DOA / EOA: 60.3%

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Wolf Hollow Wildlife Rehabilitation Center

2022 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

Staff and Board

Current Staff and Board Members are listed below. There were no changes in board membership during 2022.

At the beginning of 2022 we welcomed Elizabeth Bukovec as a full-time rehab staff member, after being with us as Seasonal Rehabber in 2021. We were also pleased to have Jamie Morgan join us as part-time Administrative Assistant.

Our thanks to Seasonal Rehabilitator Rachael Harmon for all her hard work and dedication throughout the summer.

Rehab

Our rehab staff, interns and volunteers provided care for 438 animals, representing 93 species, during 2022. Stories of some of these animals, and rehab statistics for the year, are included in this newsletter. A major challenge during the year was the outbreak of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) in our region. We dealt with a few cases on San Juan Island, but the main outbreaks were among waterfowl in Skagit County on the adjacent mainland. This resulted in difficulties transporting birds from this area to our rehab center for care.

Education

Our education outreach program continued to recover in 2022, with outdoor children's activities and some events again taking place, in addition to virtual presentations. In 2022 we provided 118 activities and presentations, reaching 3099 people (compared to 92 activities reaching 2550 in 2021, and 17 activities reaching 589 people in 2020).

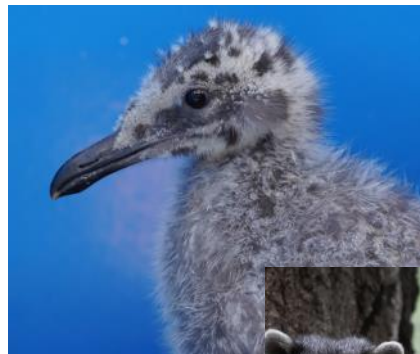
Interns

Eight interns from around the US carried out wildlife rehabilitation internships at Wolf Hollow in summer/fall 2022. They gained valuable hands-on experience working with a wide range of injured and orphaned wildlife during their 9-week internships at the rehab center.

Unfortunately, two students we had selected as Education Interns for the summer changed their plans, so we were without an Education Intern during 2022.

Facilities

Thanks to generous donations we were able to replace an older enclosure with a new and improved Orchard Cage to house small mammals such as squirrels and opossums.



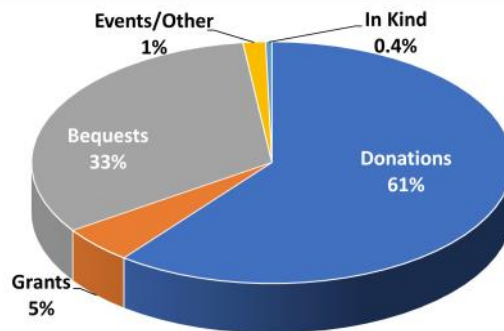
Glaucous-winged Gull

Raccoon kits



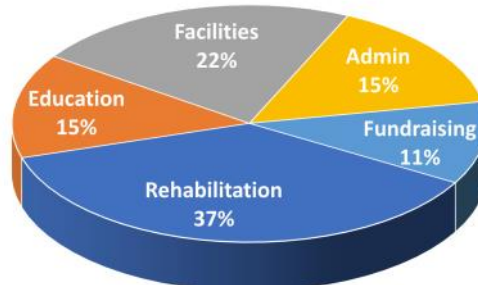
2022 Income

Donations	376,564
Grants	30,873
Bequests	202,616
Events/Other	9,466
In Kind	2,578
Total	\$622,097



2022 Expenses

Rehabilitation	\$141,517
Education	54,688
Facilities	85,144
Admin	58,340
Fundraising	43,158
Total	\$382,847



Board of Directors

- Marc Brown – President
- Susan Waters – Vice President
- Bex Bishop – Secretary
- Chris Minney
- Cindy Hansen
- Sarah Boden
- Albert Barsocchini

Staff

- Chanda Stone – Executive Director
- Penny Harner – Wildlife Rehabilitator
- Elizabeth Bukovec – Wildlife Rehabilitator
- Shona Aitken – Education Coordinator
- Mark Billington – Facilities Manager
- Jamie Morgan – Administrative Assistant
- Susan Waters – Volunteer Coordinator

Wolf Hollow Wildlife Rehabilitation Center is licensed for wildlife rehabilitation under the auspices of the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. All contributions are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law.

As you can see, our income in 2022 was considerably more than our expenses for the year. This unusual circumstance was in large part due to our receiving 3 generous bequests. We are very grateful for these funds and recognize that their best use would be to create a reserve that can be used to cover unexpected expenses, emergencies or to cover costs in leaner years.



Our Thanks to the many Individuals, Organizations & Businesses who supported Wolf Hollow in 2022

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Washington Dept of Fish & Wildlife Rehabilitation Grant Program
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APS, Friday Harbor
APS, Orcas
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Chuckanut Valley Vet Clinic
Fidalgo Animal Medical Center
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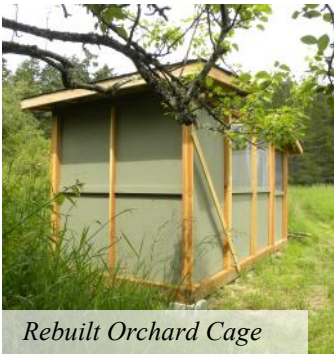
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Education Program

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San Juan Island National Historical Parks
San Juan County Park
Lime Kiln Point State Park
San Juan County Conservation Land Bank
Camano Island Wildlife Habitat Group
Salish Sea Stewards
Lopez Elementary School
Friday Harbor Elementary School
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Anacortes Catholic Schoolhouse Home School Group
Road Scholars
San Juan Island Home School Adventure Group

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San Juan Brewery
San Juan Excursions
Scott Milo Gallery
Secure Fire Protection
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Skagit Valley College
Stillpoint School
The Whale Museum
United Way
Valmark, Inc
Wagner Law Offices
Washington State Ferries
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Rebuilt Orchard Cage

"Wherever there are wild animals in the world, there is always an opportunity for caring, compassion and kindness."

Paul Oxtou

Facilities Support

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Carl Billington - Islebuilt Construction
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Phyllis Stegall
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A Cedar Waxwing
All Wildlife
Jaji
Rose
Whidbey Island Short-eared Owl

Volunteers During 2022

Bruce Adkins
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Elena Battles
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Martin Boer
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Northern Saw-whet Owl

Northern Saw-whet Owls are one of the smallest owls we have in our area. But despite their small size, they are hardy little birds. In February, this little owl collided with the roof rack of a car near Mt Vernon. When he arrived at Wolf Hollow his eyes were closed, he had blood in his right eye, and he had a really sore head. But he was still feisty, and when we examined him, he clacked his beak and tried to grab our fingers with his talons. It took a few days of rest and anti-inflammatory meds before he felt well enough to eat on his own. After a week of care, the blood had gone from his eye, and he was flapping around in his carrier, so it was time to move into an outdoor aviary. He immediately flew up to the top perches, so we knew he was well on his way to a full recovery. After a couple more weeks to build up his strength again, he was taken back to Mt Vernon so our volunteers could release him back where he came from.

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Douglas Squirrel

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We often receive orphaned grey squirrel kits for care, but late this summer a different type of baby squirrel arrived. She was a tiny, infant Douglas Squirrel that had been found on the ground and dropped off at a vet clinic in Anacortes. She was only a few weeks old, her eyes were just beginning to open, and she only weighed 51g (about the same as a chicken's egg). It took her a little while to get used to being fed formula with a syringe and tiny nipple, but then she got the hang of it and was soon sucking down 5 ccs of formula several times a day. From then on, she grew quickly, learned to eat solid foods and was soon zooming around in her carrier, so it was time to move into an outdoor enclosure. After another few weeks practicing her climbing skills, she was ready to go back to Anacortes to be released into the forest.

*40 Years
Caring for Wildlife*



No Fooling! Wolf Hollow Open House April 1st, 11-3

You are invited to tour our facility, meet staff, board members and volunteers and learn more about our work.

Parking at Wolf Hollow is extremely limited so please catch the shuttle bus from Friday Harbor, generously provided by San Juan Transit.

Save the date and look for further details, coming soon on our web site and Facebook page.

We look forward to seeing you!

Share Your Wolf Hollow Story

Wolf Hollow's story is a combination of the stories of the many people who have been involved with our organization throughout the years. Would you like to share your story? If you have a favorite recollection of working or volunteering for Wolf Hollow, participating in events or activities, sending an animal to us for care, or donating to help us accomplish an important project, we'd love to hear from you. Do you have special memories of a particular animal, or funny stories about rescues or releases? Or, if you'd just like to say hello and tell us when and how you were involved with Wolf Hollow and update us on what you are doing now, please send an email to wolfhollow@wolfhollowwildlife.org. We look forward to hearing from you.

"My scout project was..."

"I remember when...."

"There was a...."

"I was a volunteer..."

"I helped build the..."

You are part of our story

"I was part of work party when..."

"We found a...."