

Wildlife Rehabilitation & Release

To honor all the Ukrainian people fighting for their country, and their lives, the design of this newsletter will remain the same until the war is over-editor.



June 2022

From the President

We are now open 5 days a week to receive and care for injured, sick, and orphaned birds and mammals. Our volunteers are on board and have been trained to manage each animal as they come to us for treatment. However, we could still use more volunteers. We rely on our volunteers to keep the doors open and to provide the care needed to rehab and release wildlife in need. If you decide to help as a volunteer, you will receive training by our experienced volunteers. And we are still in the baby season, so a lot of orphaned critters are coming to us for care. If you encounter a mammal or bird in trouble, please give us a call at our Intake Center during open hours of M, T, Th, F, Sat between 9 and 3, or call our hotline at 530.432.5522.

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(note from the editor, WR&R does not have the staff to come pick up animals, except for very rare exceptions, such as a bird of prey that could be too dangerous for an untrained person to handle. Most songbirds/animals must be transported by the finder to the IC or to another appropriate facility) Thank you.

Upcoming Events

Board Meeting

Wednesday, July 13, 3:30 PM at the Intake Center.

Regular Board of Directors Meeting – May 11, 2022

SUMMARY OF MEETING

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order and a quorum was established.

The minutes were reviewed and accepted. The financials were given. We received a recent donation from a trust.

The family will be sent a letter acknowledging the very generous

SONGBIRD TEAM; PIGEON EDITION

Photos by Kate Papsa

Pictured at right is one of the more unusual pigeons that came into the IC a little while ago, an almost pure white pigeon. (She does have some tawny brown on the tips of her wings). We believe she is a domestic pigeon, who may have been someone's pet. She is totally docile and would



donation.

Reports from all Teams and Committees were given. Generally we are getting busier as the season goes forward. The Small Mammal Team has 22 animals in care with seven rehabbers caring for them.

The Raptor Team is slowly getting raptors in, mostly Great Horned Owl juveniles. We are losing one of our lead persons, John Giaconia. Thank you John for all the years you have volunteered. We will miss you. The Songbird Team is starting to get many calls and birds brought in to the Intake Center.

We are very much in need of volunteers. Right now we are sending most of the songbirds down to Gold Country Wildlife Rescue to finish up their rehab until they are released.

The Education Team reported more calls are coming in now for presentations. Bev Myers was officially voted in by the board as Secretary.

Dr. Sam Johnson, a Director-at-Large on the Board is working with our webmaster to get our website up to date. Keep watching. You will see some good changes coming.

It was moved, seconded and passed that any incidentals purchased over \$200 needs to be approved by the Treasurer or President before the purchase is made.

The Board was adjourned at 6:30 PM.
Submitted by: Beverly A Myers,
Secretary.

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probably not survive on her own in the wild. So Kate Papso, our resident dove and pigeon lady, took her home to care for her, where she promptly made a new friend with a rock pigeon Kate has in care. (See picture below.) The rock pigeon (we believe this one is a male) started asking the white one to feed him, and now they are inseparable. The white pigeon watches over the smaller rock pigeon wherever he goes. Good work Kate



Intake Center

photo by Marci Ficarra

We're getting a new shipment of WRR T-shirts! Shoppers Raven and Mattie browse our merchandise section with volunteer Kate Papso.



Come on by the IC during open hours to shop for T-shirts, earrings, and much more wildlife merchandise. Open Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, and Sat from 9 AM to 3 PM.

I would also like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard at the Intake Center, the home rehabbers, and the transportation team. We couldn't do it without you!

RAPTOR TEAM

by Bev Myers

We are

Just for Fun



WISH LIST

With the Intake Center up and running for the season, there are a few supplies we can always use. If you wish to donate any of the following, please bring them to the IC at 809 Maltman Drive (across from Taco Bell) Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, or Sat from 9 am to 2:30 pm, or email Karen at kkosk6565@gmail.com.

Thank you:

Paper Towels

Kleenex

Copy machine paper

Clean, empty berry baskets

Gift Certificates from pet stores, feed stores, or hardware stores.

And, as always, we can use \$\$\$.

You can donate directly to us on our website:

<http://www.cawildlife911.org> through PayPal or credit card.

We are also looking for some land, with power and water to the site, and maybe a building or two, for wildlife care. If you know of some land that might work for our purpose, please contact our president, Bruce Reinhardt, at brucesre@aol.com

DO NOT DISTURB!

still plugging along! We have had several young Great



Horned Owls. They were late hatching this year. We also recently had a young Red-tailed Hawk that seemed to have hatched early this year. So things are different, probably the crazy weather. Speaking about different things, we recently had a fledgling Northern Saw-whet Owl. We don't get too many of those type in rehab but we do get a few. Very seldom do we get a juvenile. They are very pretty as per the picture here. Three juveniles in Oregon. These little guys are only about 7-8 inches when full grown. Unfortunately their numbers are going down. They are nocturnal, as are most owls, and mainly eat rodents, such as mice, shrews, voles and moles. Their name comes from their call which sounds like sharpening a saw on a whetstone. We still need more volunteers, both at the Intake Center and the Raptor Clinic. **The most important thing the Raptor Team needs now is a few cage builders.** If you can help, please get in touch with me.

Bev Myers

Raptor Team Leader

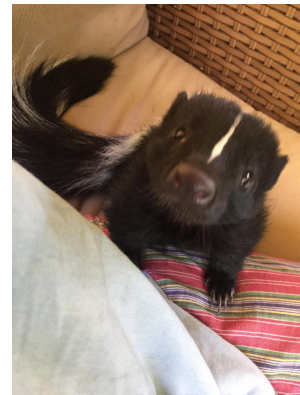
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SMALL MAMMAL TEAM

by Paula Elliott

Photo by Becca Hanke

The small mammal team is in a lull between squirrel litters. Many grey squirrels have been released this season to go off and lead their wild lives. There are four grey squirrels in care right now. We also have two fairly rare flying squirrels in care. They are harder to raise than grey squirrels and are doing well with an experienced



Just a reminder that it is illegal under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to remove, knock down, or otherwise tamper with birds' nests. This is the time of year that babies are being born and fledging, and it is of the utmost importance that their nests are undisturbed, so the parents can raise these nestlings.



The penalties for violating the act are severe. If someone is found guilty of a felony-level violation, they could face up to two years in prison and \$250,000 in fines. A misdemeanor could lead to six months in jail and \$15,000 in fines. So please, please, do not disturb. If you have questions about nesting birds, call our Intake Center, 530.477.5774 between 9 AM and 3 PM M, T, Th, F, Sat, or call our hotline at 530.432.5522

rehabber. We also have, for the first time in many years, a baby skunk (see photo) in care. We now have someone who can rehab them, so we are expanding into skunk care! Our new and experienced rehabbers are doing well with finding that delicate balance between nurturing and cuddling our very young mammals, and then gradually withdrawing care and attention as they age. Our primary job is to help them be as ready as they can be as they move into the wild lives they were born to lead. If anyone wants to train for any of our critters, please give me a call. Paula 530-272-5473, or 530-263-1970. Email is PCE100aolcom@yahoo.com.

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Don't forget to shop with your community cards from SPD and Holiday Market. Funding comes directly back to WR&R. Also, the Amazon Smiles program, Escrip and Goodsearch provide funding when you sign up and shop on line! [For more information](#)



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If you have suggestions, articles, or pictures for this newsletter or would like to write an article, please contact [Karen Koskey](#). Thanks!

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