

# NATURE'S NANNY WILDLIFE REHABILITATION

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 22 Wild Birds Unlimited-Suffolk
  - 12-4 <https://www.facebook.com/wbusuffolk/>
- October 26th Owl Prowl at Norfolk Botanical Gardens
  - <https://norfolkbotanicalgarden.org/events/owl-prowl-2/>
- November 2nd Owl Prowl at Norfolk Botanical Gardens
  - <https://norfolkbotanicalgarden.org/events/owl-prowl-3/>
- November 4th Shore Drive Farmers Market
  - <https://www.visitvirginiabeach.com/event/shore-drive-farmers-market/4131/>
- November 10th Hoffer Creek Owl Prowl
  - <https://www.hofflercreek.org/events>



## BY THE NUMBERS

This year so far we have admitted:

- 11 American Crows
- 1 American Robin
- 3 Bald Eagles
- 5 Barred owls
- 1 Blue Jay
- 1 Broadwing Hawk
- 6 Coopers Hawk
- 12 Eastern Screech Owls
- 1 Fish Crow
- 9 Great Horned Owl
- 2 Osprey
- 1 Peregrine Falcon
- 11 Red shouldered hawks
- 15 Red tailed hawks
- 1 Sharp Shinned hawk
- 1 Turkey Vulture
- 4 Yellow Crown Night Herons



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# PATIENT UPDATE

## COLEMAN BRIDGE-PEFA

Back in June we featured a story about a young peregrine that was found under the Coleman Bridge. Upon being found this young-of-the-year bird was taken to Gloucester Animal Control. Because she was banded they called CCB, who had just banded this bird 2 days prior. Because she was not yet flight capable and might have been injured CCB directed that she be taken to NNWR to be checked out.

She was alert but very quiet upon arrival and Initial findings indicated mild dehydration. Palpation of the right leg suggested a possible injury which meant we would need to take her to a vet for radiographs (aka, x-rays). After the exam was finished this youngster was given quiet time to de-stress and then fed a meal of juicy cut up pieces of chicks which helped the dehydration. She was given a full check up at Warwick Animal Hospital with Dr. Dove.

The radiographs did not reveal any obvious injuries but she continued to hold the right leg/foot in an unusual way while resting or moving around. Because of the way she continued to hold her leg/land on her leg while flying we were uncomfortable with her ability to survive in the wild. The massive force with which a Peregrine Falcon strikes its prey (it's done in mid-air) requires perfectly functioning legs and feet otherwise they could end up with an injury so serious it would no longer be able to hunt its food. After several months of observation it was determined that she was not correcting her stance and she was deemed non-releasable.

This past month she made her transition to her new home at EarthQuest Wildlife Education Center. She has been named Rachel and is already making appearances in some education programs. Robert Haynes -Director Of Operations for Earthquest Inc / Virginia had this to say about her transition. "She's gonna be an amazing addition to our programs to educate about the effects of DDT on our environment. She has got an amazing personality and has done great at the few presentations we've been able to bring her too."

We are thrilled to see that she is thriving in her new home. Here are some photos of her before, headed to a program and in her new home.

Check them out here: Website [www.Earthquest.org](http://www.Earthquest.org)

Facebook: @earthquestorg or Earthquest Wildlife Education Center



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# GREAT HORNED OWL

## THE ULTIMATE PREDATOR

### OWL WINGS ARE BUILT FOR STEALTH

Comb-like edges muffle the sound of air moving over the wings, which allows them to fly silently.



### OWLS HUNT FROM THE AIR

They are low altitude fliers in order to spot prey on the ground and can detect sounds nearly a third of a km away.

FORWARD FACING EYES GIVE THESE OWLS

### BINOCULAR

VISION TO BETTER ESTIMATE DISTANCES TO MOVING PREY



They can hear the slightest sounds, even animals moving under the snow.

ADAPTED FOR NIGHT HUNTING, THEIR VISION IS

### 100 TIMES MORE POWERFUL THAN HUMANS



Many of these owl's bones are **HOLLOW** keeping the bird light.

Their feathers typically weigh more than their **SKELETONS**

### THEIR TAIL FEATHERS SERVE AS A RUDDER

### HISTORY

In Renaissance England, the hoot of an owl flying over one's house was considered to be an evil omen. It meant impending death for someone inside.

THEORY: EAR TUFTS HELP CAMOUFLAGE THE OWL IN THE FOREST SO THEY LOOK MORE LIKE A BROKEN BRANCH

Their ear tufts (plumicorns) have nothing to do with hearing.



GLOBAL POPULATION **6 MILLION**  
14% IN **CANADA**

DECLINING POPULATION OF OWLS: **43% IN THE LAST 50 YEARS**

FACIAL DISC FEATHERS DIRECT **SOUND WAVES** TO THEIR EARS



OWLS BOB THEIR HEADS TO GIVE THEM A BETTER **3D VIEW** OF THEIR ENVIRONMENT

### NICTITATING MEMBRANE

They have a third eyelid that slides over the eyeballs like a pair of safety goggles to protect the cornea from getting scratched when flying.



Their sensitive feet (much like the palms of our hands) can detect the location of the prey's spine crushing it with lethal force.

HEAD SWIVEL RADIUS  
**270 DEGREES**

FLYING SPEED UP TO  
**65KM/HOUR**

TALON EXTENSION  
**25-50 CM**

TALON FORCE  
**14 KG**

the nature of things  
WITH DAVID SUZUKI



Did you know we have an amazon wish list? This list includes supplies and enrichment for our animals. Check it out!

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/370001XG3WIZY?ref=list\\_d\\_wl\\_lfu\\_nav\\_4](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/370001XG3WIZY?ref=list_d_wl_lfu_nav_4)

Something we need: Hol-lee Roller toys

These toys are something we can give to our ambassadors as environmental enrichment. We can hide food in them or put paper inside for them to shred.



Our local [Tidewater Wildlife Rescue](#) is looking for hotline volunteers. Below is a post from them: "How would you like to rescue wildlife with out the physical work? How would you like to make a difference in a wildlife animals life without the hands on rehabbing? Tidewater Wildlife Rescue is in need of some more volunteers to help man our hotline. This can be done in the leisure of your home.

It does not have to be for 24 hours. It doesn't have to be daily. The more volunteers we have means more help to free others on the line that do rescue and/or rehab.

I know what you are thinking. "What if I don't know anything about wildlife?" Hotline volunteers are Very important to the wildlife rehabbing community. They can sometimes help resolve problems in a matter of minutes saving rescuers time responding on site. They provide advice for common wildlife problems. They help people understand "orphaned" babies when animals truly need help verses need to be left alone, which reduces the numbers of animals being "kidnapped". And other wildlife conflicts and questions.

It's as simple as answering the phone, showing kindness to the caller, knowing time is of importance and learning how to handle certain situations. All of this we would train you on. Being a resident of Hampton Roads/ Peninsula does help but not a requirement!!" Call (757) 255-8710



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Check out our T-Shirt Fundraiser! This shirt features our education ambassadors and a portion of each sale comes back to Nature's Nanny! Check them out here: <https://www.bonfire.com/store/natures-nanny-wildlife-rehabilitation/>



**MORE SUPPORTERS MEAN MORE DONATIONS FOR NATURE'S NANNY WILDLIFE REHABILITATION!**

**\$5 NEW MEMBER SHOPPING BONUS EXTENDED TO 11/30/23**

**TELL A FRIEND TO SIGN UP TODAY:**  
[HTTPS://SUPPORT.IGIVE.COM/KB/A115/HOW-IGIVE-WORKS.ASPX?KBSEARCHID=12974](https://support.igive.com/kb/a115/how-igive-works.aspx?KBSEARCHID=12974)

## Donations Accepted

- Amazon Wishlist  
[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/370OO1XG3WIZY?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/370OO1XG3WIZY?ref=wl_share)
- Donations can be made through Paypal at [NNWR@COX.NET](mailto:NNWR@COX.NET)
- Through Venmo @NNWR1
- Through our Facebook Page  
<https://www.facebook.com/Naturesnannywildliferehabilitation>
- Or through our website at  
<https://www.naturesnannywildliferehab.org/>

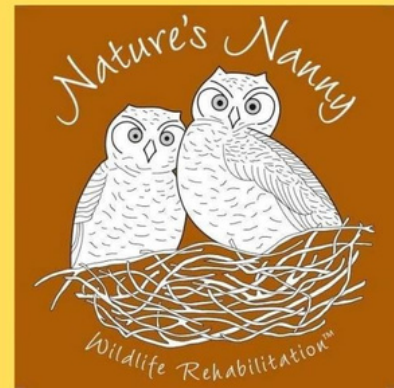


# BUY GROCERIES, SAVE ANIMALS

Have a Kroger Shopper's Card? You can add Kroger Community Rewards to donate to Nature's Nanny. Kroger donates annually to participating organizations based on your percentage of spending as it relates to the total spending associated with all participating Kroger Community Rewards organizations.

Here's How to Add Our Organization:

1. Create a digital account.
2. Link your Card to an organization. Selecting the organization that you wish to support is as simple as updating the Kroger Community Rewards selection on your digital account.
1. Sign in to your digital account.
2. Search for your organization.
3. Enter Nature's Nanny Wildlife Rehabilitation or LB887.
4. Select the appropriate organization from the list and click "Save". Your selected organization will also display in the Kroger Community Rewards section of your account. If you need to review or revisit your organization, you can always do so under your Account details.
5. Your organization earns when you shop!



## Volunteer with Us!

Interested in volunteering with us? We take all skill levels! Whether you want to be a regular volunteer or need some service hours we have plenty of projects that need assistance!

Email Dawn at  
[Nnwrvolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:Nnwrvolunteers@gmail.com)



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# Nature's Nanny Wildlife Rehabilitation is going on Safari!



Upcoming Africa Trips  
April 18-28 2023  
July 11-21 2023  
February 13-23 2024  
April 16-26 2024  
September 10-20 2024



If the thrill of an African Safari has always been your dream, give us a call!!



Trips cost between \$3595 and \$4450. For just a little over \$5000.00 you will have the time of your life!!!

\*Airfare not included



We have available spots for our Africa trips and for each spot ATYL will donate \$300.00 to Nature's Nanny Wildlife Rehabilitation



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