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International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council

Hello Friend!

After the Yellowstone bison calf story went viral, discussion of if and when wildlife should be rescued have been picked up by just about every paper and social media channel in North America.

Wildlife rehabilitators are in the business of helping wildlife. We know that often doing nothing is the best help to provide. A recent case in Australia at the [Kanyana Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre](#) illustrates the problem of help. A well meaning citizen fenced in his yard to keep the wild bobtail lizards living there safe. But unable to leave and with a lack of predators the overcrowded lizards did poorly – leading to [60 being admitted](#) to the centre.

Other times our aid and interference is most definitely needed, like with a young [crow found tangled in fishing line](#) near San Francisco last week and brought to the [Lindsay Wildlife Museum](#).

Working with journalists to get appropriate information to the public is a great way to improve the situation. Two excellent examples from just this last week are a [Wisconsin article](#) with Brooke Lewis of [Four Lakes Wildlife Center](#) and Dianne Robinson of [Wisconsin's Department of Natural Resources](#) and an [Ontario piece](#) featuring [Salthaven Wildlife Rehabilitation & Education Centre](#).



IWRC Courses

Wishing you well,

Kai

IWRC in the New York Times

Did you notice? IWRC was in the New York Times last week. If you haven't read the article yet, take a moment now.

[When Humans, Fueled by the Selfie Culture, Imperil Wildlife](#)

Primate Rehab in Vietnam

One of IWRC's fabulous volunteers is Dr. Ulrike Streicher DVM, a wildlife veterinarian and currently Courtesy Research Associate at the University of Oregon. Dr. Streicher has spent many years in Southeast Asia rescuing and rehabilitating a variety of wildlife and will be sharing some of her story through a series of blogs with us. Enjoy the first segment on her time in Vietnam, a country that was then and still is now an epicenter for illegal wildlife trade.



Dr Ulrike Streicher performing first aid on a gibbon during confiscation.

[Register Now](#)



June 2016

- Trinidad & Tobago



June

- Trinidad & Tobago
- St Kitts (closed class)

July

- Brunei (closed class)

Fall 2016

I started my wildlife career in Vietnam in 1997 as the zoological advisor of the then newly established governmental wildlife rescue center at Soc Son near Hanoi. In 1992 the country had issued its first laws to protect wild animals. Shortly after, they realized that through this step they ended up with lots of animals confiscated from illegal keeping and trade, which they needed to take care of.

[Read More....](#)

Fear a Factor in Success?

A recent study on brushtail possums found that individuals with greater fear responses while in captivity had higher survival rates over the five month study.

[Learn more](#) about the study
[Read the paper](#)

Avian Influenza Workshop - North Carolina

The North Carolina Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services, Emergency Programs Division is hosting three avian influenza preparedness trainings in June.

"Within this **free** Workshop hosted by NCDA&CS, we plan to provide attendees with information about the recent HPAI outbreaks in the U.S., the potential impact to NC and the current state of readiness, and important information specifically for collections of unique and valuable wild and exotic birds. The target audience for these meetings is: owners and managers of wild and exotic bird collections, wild bird rehabilitators, falconers, veterinarians, veterinary technicians, and any other interested parties. This will be a great opportunity to network and ask questions."

[Meeting information](#)

- Kentucky
- Michigan
- Ohio
- Rhode Island
- Tennessee
- Washington

Dates and locations

TBA. More Fall classes will be announced this summer!

Registration opens in June.



We are still scheduling Fall courses! If you are interested in bringing a class to your area, contact Julissa at julissa@theiwrc.org

Notes

All IWRC Journals of Wildlife Rehabilitation are available to members at <http://theiwrc.org/journal-of-wildlife-rehabilitation>

The most recent published journal is February's 36(1)

Research

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As always, if you are working on a study and need participants, email me at director@theiwrc.org to be featured on our website and in our newsletter.



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