



This cute little bundle was curled up at the end of the driveway and it turns out they had more siblings! (Harrington Photo)

## RECC to Manage Exhibition Grounds

The Central Nova Scotia Civic Centre Society Ltd, operating as the Rath Eastlink Community Centre has been chosen to be the exclusive management company appointed to enhance live entertainment initiatives at the historic Bible Hill Exhibition Grounds. Commonly known as "NSPE", the Bible Hill Exhibition Grounds have long been a cherished landmark in the region, providing a venue for agricultural fairs, community events, and cultural celebrations for over a century. The decision to entrust the management of this iconic facility to the Rath Eastlink Community Centre team reflects a shared vision for tourism growth, community development, and agricultural showcasing.

Under the management of the Rath Eastlink Community Centre, the Bible Hill Exhibition Grounds will undergo a comprehensive series of improvements. These initiatives aim to modernize and enhance the facilities. A significant component of this endeavor involves a rebranding initiative to revitalize the grounds, along with ongoing infrastructure upgrades.

These enhancements will create a more welcoming and accessible space for all, ensuring the Bible Hill Exhibition Grounds remain at the heart of community life. The partnership will promote a broader range of events and activities. The Rath Eastlink Community Centre brings a diverse portfolio of successful programs, sporting events, and cultural initiatives, which will now be integrated into the broad range of offerings available at the grounds.

With a focus on trade shows and concerts to equestrian sports and festivals, the community can look forward to an expanded calendar of events that caters to all ages and interests.

"Our team is thrilled to announce our partnership in providing exceptional event management services for the Bible Hill Exhibition Grounds. This collaboration allows us to

## Hope for Injured or Abandoned Wildlife

By Linda Harrington

A tumbling bundle of fur babies met me at the end of my driveway recently. It turned out to be three baby raccoons. They were pretty dehydrated and clearly too young to be on their own but to make sure I called Hope for Wildlife for assistance.

It was decided they should be picked up and transported to their rehab facility in Seaforth, which is over an hour and a half away. My mind was racing about how I could fit the three-hour return drive into my schedule when I heard, "we will post this information and you should get a call back for pick-up soon".

I never knew about the Hope for Wildlife Volunteers. They are located across Nova Scotia and when a call comes in about any bird or animal in distress a post is made on the Volunteers private Facebook page. One of the volunteers closest to the location can then reach out and

make arrangements for the transport.

I was looking for a box to gather up my new friends when I received a call back from volunteer Ian (who it turned out I knew) and he was on his way to pick them up. It was amazing how well this transport system worked.

Ian gave me a case number with information on how to check on my rescued critters in five weeks for an update on their condition. Once they were big enough, they would be returned to wild.

Fast forward now to the next evening when another group of three fur babies tumbled onto our front lawn. These were easier to scoop into a box. Once they were secured, I made a call

**There are several ways to volunteer for Hope for Wildlife including a Wildlife Rescuer, Wildlife Transfer Driver, Facility Worker, and Educational Worker.**  
**The information can be found at <https://www.hopeforwildlife.net/volunteer>.**  
**The phone number for wildlife rescue information is 902-407-9453 (WILD)**

**For the child in all of us**  
**Yes! Yes! Yes! Child there is**  
**An angel of blue!**

**God bless and thank-you. Thomas A. Marshall (Ex-Navy)**

**A tribute to Terry Fox, Book- passages of the heart**

### A Child's Request (through the eyes of a child)

*Could you find me a circle of friends in a square  
Could you please make them friends who really do care  
I do wish for clowns with their noses of red  
Or maybe some ponies or animals instead*

### For the child in all of us

*Could you sing me the song of the wind and the wand  
Could you tell me the story of the gold fish pond  
Can you whisper my name and tell it is true  
That you once met an angel that watches over you*

### For the child in all of us

*Could you tell me the tale of the puppet making man  
Could you tell me the story of the croc and peter pan  
Could you sprinkle magic dust into my hair  
Please tell me the story that all of us share*

### For the child in all of us

*Could you stay with me for just a short while  
Can you make sure my dreams are dreams with a smile  
Could you rock me to sleep in the way that you do  
Please tell me the story please tell me it is true  
That there is an angel an angel of blue*

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of critters heading to Hope for Wildlife, so I had to find a smaller box to fit them in. These rescues take place every day!

A few weeks later we had to call Hope for Wildlife again when a cedar waxwing was found injured. Once again it was Ian who arrived for pickup, on his way to make three other stops. These rescue volunteers are clearly the first of many unsung heroes of wildlife.

Hope for Wildlife is a charitable wildlife rehabilitation and education organization located in Seaforth, Nova Scotia. Since 1997, they have rescued, rehabilitated, and released over 80,000 injured and orphaned wild animals representing over 250 species. Every year they respond to more than 40,000 calls, texts or emails.

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