

Seal Pup Rehabilitation Internship Island Wildlife Natural Care Centre is a registered not for profit organization located on Salt Spring Island off the west coast BC, Canada.

We are one of only two marine mammal rehabilitation facilities in the country and operate under permits from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Environment Canada and the Ministry of Water, Land and Air. IWNCC's focus is on the rescue and rehabilitation of orphaned, sick and injured Harbour Seal pups.

We have one internship opening remaining from August 1 until September 30, 2009. During this period there will probably be 80 to 100 Harbour Seal pups on-site. This is a volunteer position with housing and a small grocery allowance. Interns are accepted internationally and are responsible for their own transportation to and from British Columbia. Interns work directly under marine mammal rehabilitation specialists and can expect to learn and/or improve their skills in the following: Safe rescue and handling of Harbour Seal pups; stabilizing critical patients and new arrivals; diet preparation through all stages of the rehabilitation process; gavage (tube) feeding, force feeding and hand feeding techniques; proper hygiene and isolation protocols to prevent the spread of disease; administration of oral medications; behavioural and medical observation and proper record keeping; general care of many other indigenous avian and terrestrial species.

For more information see our website at www.sealrescue.org.

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