

Wildlife centre hosting ?Women for Wildlife? weekend

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The National Wildlife Centre in Caledon East is hosting a special build weekend, entitled ?Women for Wildlife.?

The volunteer build event will take place Oct. 30 through Nov. 1, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily.

Volunteers will roll up their sleeves and help build a fox enclosure at the centre.

To sign up, email director@nationalwildlifecentre.ca

Their mission is to bring Canada's wildlife community together.

The Centre, a national hub in-the-making, is providing scientists, rehabilitators, students, and volunteers the best wildlife assessment, diagnostics, treatment, and care for animals using national standards of medical excellence. It will educate the public on how best to co-habit with urban wildlife, and will offer training on emergency prevention and preparedness for wildlife responders.

Since 2014, The NWC has cared for more than 8,000 native wild animals, and more than 200 species, including threatened and endangered ones.

They have recently expanded and now provide medical care to sick and injured wildlife through a partnership with Hope for Wildlife (HFW) in Seaforth, NS.

They organize their work around four crucial areas, currently by connecting the public to the appropriate wildlife responder or rehabilitator with future plans to bring wildlife experts, enthusiasts and the public together to support Canadian wildlife.