

Wildlife A&E rescuing animals in Sussex, Surrey & Kent



My name is Debbie; founder of Wildlife A&E; a non-profit organisation, based in Rotherfield and involved in Wildlife Rescue on the Surrey, Sussex and Kent borders. We believe all animals deserve the chance to live in the wild as nature intended. Nothing is more fulfilling than rescuing an injured or sick animal, assisting its recovery and returning it to the wild.

To achieve that, I am assisted by a small dedicated team of volunteers with over 15 years experience. Wildlife care is specialised and not something that many vets regularly experience but we are fortunate enough to work with other similar organisations across the UK, sharing experiences and expertise. We are also fortunate enough to have the support of 2 excellent Vets; one in Biggin Hill, the other in Forest Row. Both share our passion for wildlife conservation and both willingly provide their assistance and expertise at cost or less.

Spring is a busy time for us when all manner of orphans start being handed in. Whether abandoned or orphaned, some need feeding

every 20-min around the clock so sleep is at a premium. Then Summer brings the orphaned fawns, and Autumn is usually busy with underweight hedgehogs.

When not tending to the animals, we spend a lot of our time raising funds to pay for bedding, food, medicines, running repairs and upkeep of the pens. At the moment we are raising funds to fence a new pen we are building on land donated to us in Chelwood Gate. This will be used primarily for the soft release of deer, but when not used for deer the enclosure will be used for other species.

Every penny we raise is used for animal care. We have no paid staff; all help is voluntary. We also hold Quiz Nights and have stalls at school fairs. We are happy to come and talk to schools and clubs to pass on our experiences and hopefully show how everyone can help the wildlife around us. Sometimes, if we have very young orphans that need regular feeding, we will bring them along to and Ozzy, our resident Barn Owl is always on hand to say hello. For talks all we ask for is a small donation of food for the animals or any pennies you may have down the back of the sofa.

For more information, go to www.wildlifeemergency.co.uk.

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