



Nature Notes

By the Halifax Field Naturalists

‘Tis The Season...

Consider a Second Life for your Christmas Tree!

This message comes to you with the *hope* that you will make plans to repurpose or donate your Christmas tree after the holidays to organizations like Hope For Wildlife, who provide wildlife rehabilitation and education services; located in Seaforth, NS.



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TREES AND ANIMAL REHABILITATION

All of the animals benefit, but the porcupines especially, love to climb and hide in the trees, and the trees also make a great snack! Bringing nature to the animals while they rehabilitate benefits their mental health too, it decreases stress.

HOW TO DONATE

- Beginning January 3, 2025, drop your trees off at Hope For Wildlife.
- Follow Hope for Wildlife on Facebook for details and updates on tree collection!
- Please send an email to info@hopeforwildlife.net prior to large donations.

Halifax Field Naturalist History Minute: Socializing & the Christmas Social

As far as could be determined, the tradition of members socializing at Halifax Field Naturalist (HFN) meetings began in 1976 when light refreshments were served after talks. Doris Butters, HFN President in 1983, described it as “a time for socializing with kindred spirits”, which holds true today!

The first Christmas Social was held on December 5, 2002. Patricia Leader suggested having a Christmas Social after the December talk. She purchased red plaid fabric for less than a dollar per meter and her neighbor sewed tablecloths! Our dedicated members continue to make the Holiday Social festive and special.

December Events

2024 NATURE REVIEW & HOLIDAY SOCIAL

December’s meeting brings our annual Nature Good News Talk and Members year-end Holiday Social.

Longtime HFN Member, and wonderfully well versed naturalist, Clarence Stevens will highlight local and global nature good news stories.

Following the talk, we’ll roll directly into our annual Members Holiday Social. Please bring your offerings of savouries, sweets, and non-alcoholic beverages to share with all.

Date: Tues, December 17
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Location: NS Museum of Natural History
1747 Summer St, Halifax (lower entrance)

For more information on conservation & to keep up to date on HFN Walks & Talks check us out at:

<https://halifaxfieldnaturalists.ca/>

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