

Rascally Great Horned Owl in West Wareham injured for a second time

"On Thursday Sept. 22nd, WDNR Officers responded to a "Woodsy" area of West Wareham to look for a reported owl that could not fly. After a brief search during the rapidly deteriorating weather we captured a repeat customer of WDNR "Hoo" appeared to be injured again...

? A brief back story! In early May of 2021 this beautiful Great Horned Owl was originally found floating in a retention pond and rescued by a A.D. Makepeace Company employee.

After rescuing the owl the employee noticed that it had a serious eye injury and was unable to fly. WDNR was notified and captured the Owl "Hoo" was then transported to our amazing friends at Cape Wildlife Center and through their care made a full recovery. The owl was returned to his old stomping grounds and released by his rescuer!

Now, over a year later, the same Great Horned Owl was located by the same ADM employee in the same area! After being captured this time the GH0 was checked for visible injuries by officers. In addition to not being able to fly again we observed a leg injury and he was DEFINITELY sprayed by a skunk.

The Great Horned Owl has again been transported to Cape Wildlife Center for medical attention where he hopefully makes another full recovery." -Wareham Department of Natural Resources.



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