



Volunteer Opportunities with HWDT February 2008

Volunteering is a great way to forward a career in any professional field, especially when your vocation is marine biology.

The Hebridean Whale and Dolphin Trust (HWDT), is a research and education charity based on the Isle of Mull, west coast of Scotland. The organisation offers unique opportunities to participate in its projects. Volunteers are vital to the continuation of the valuable work carried out by HWDT.



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During the summer months, HWDT carries out surveys for whales, dolphins and porpoises throughout the Hebrides onboard its research vessel, *Silurian*. Volunteers who participate in these surveys are provided the chance to find out about the area's wildlife, learn and put into practice survey techniques, and experience life onboard a working research vessel at first hand. Ted Lawson, who participated in a survey in 2006, came back for more in 2007, He enthuses, "What did I enjoy the most? The whole trip from start to finish!"

In a competitive work environment, volunteering is a great way to show your commitment, and allows future employers to realise you are dedicated to the field.

For more information on volunteering with HWDT contact Morven Summers at volunteercoordinator@hwdt.org or phone 01688 302620

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