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ARL Caring for Stray Peacock Found in Brewster

Will soon be available for adoption

The Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL) is caring for a two-year-old male peacock who was recently found as a stray in the Greenland Pond/Long Pond area of Brewster. ARL takes in thousands of stray animals annually, however a stray peacock is certainly something the organization doesn't see every day.

For about a week, Brewster Police, Animal Control as well as ARL received numerous reports of a peacock in that area; Brewster Animal Control was able to capture the bird on 6/18/18. Due to limited livestock space at its Brewster facility, the peacock was transferred to ARL's Dedham Animal Care and Adoption Center.

Peacocks are legal to own in Massachusetts, and despite the fact that they're prone to wandering, no one has stepped forward to claim ownership of the stunning bird – making it likely that he was dumped and/or abandoned in the area he was found.

While he was in the wild for approximately a week, the bird is in good shape and strikingly beautiful. He will soon be made available for adoption, and ARL will also be reaching out to area zoos to try and garner any interest in taking in the bird.

ABOUT THE ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE OF BOSTON:

The Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL) is an unwavering champion for animals in need, committed to keeping them safe and healthy in habitats and homes. Founded in 1899, ARL provides high quality veterinary care, adoption, and rescue services; while also confronting the root causes of animal cruelty and neglect through innovative community programs, police investigations, and public advocacy. In 2017, ARL served more than 18,000

animals throughout Massachusetts. ARL is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. We receive no government funding and rely solely on the generosity of individuals to support programs and services that help animals in need. For more information please visit us online at www.arlboston.org; and be sure to follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

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