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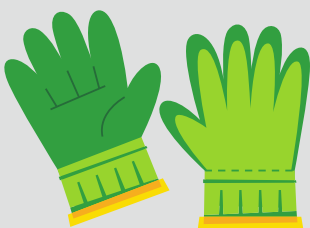
BHP AT PERTH CITY FARM

Perth City Farm is an Urban Farm supporting connected and sustainable communities. Each year, over 160,000 people make use of the farm, which was established on a former industrial site in East Perth. The polluted site has been rehabilitated with passion by volunteers, to become an icon in WA for community engagement and environmental sustainability. Perth City Farm provides opportunities and space to build connections, educate and enable people to live sustainably within their community.

On Thursday the 27th of October, nine volunteers from BHP spent their day at Perth City Farm. In the morning, Rod took the team on a tour of the property, and the community garden, where he spoke about different plants and their purpose and talked about the community recycling hub. Rod then introduced the topic of permaculture with the group before the teams were split into two. One group were tasked with making bread and lemon verbena tea, using the herbs they collected from the garden. The second group focused on cleaning up the garden beds using various gardening tools. At morning tea, the team had the opportunity to enjoy the bread and tea they prepared in the kitchen.

After a well-deserved break, the team moved gravel to the back end of the property using wheelbarrows. Some sprayed organic fertilisers on plants using watering cans and fixed the reticulation near the fence line. Rod showed the team what a wicking pot was and then asked the team to trim and move this pot to a new location. The mulberry tree was pruned using gardening shears and everyone worked together to fix fallen succulents in the courtyard. At the end, Rod gave a demonstration of making compost tea, which is not drinkable tea but rather compost used for plants!

It was such a great day for everyone to be out in the sun, getting their hands dirty. Well done to everyone who contributed on the day and made the garden look extra beautiful. Thank you to Rod for being so informative and fun! Well done BHP!



You can view more photos from the team day [HERE.](#)

