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A WHEELIE GOOD TIME!

WA Wildlife (originally known as Native Arc) is a not-for-profit organisation located on an A-class reserve in Bibra Lake which provides medical care and rehabilitation services for approximately 4000 injured, sick, and orphaned native wildlife each year. This wonderful organisation has been on a very exciting journey over the last decade, creating WA's first wildlife veterinary hospital. They are Western Australia's leading wildlife rescue, treatment and rehabilitation service, receiving injured animals from the public, veterinarian clinics, local councils, rangers, and other wildlife centres all across WA.

On Friday, 24 February 2023, the WAIO Asset Projects team got together for a day of enclosure and site maintenance at WA Wildlife's facility in Bibra Lake. Upon arrival, the team was taken through an introduction of the organisation before going on a tour of the wildlife hospital. Once the tour was over, it was all hands on deck. Each volunteer grabbed a shovel or a wheelbarrow and got straight to work. The main task for the day was to dig out some large holes - which will eventually turn into ponds for the wildlife onsite. The team worked efficiently together, giving each other plenty of encouragement and breaks in the hot summer sun. The soil was particularly difficult to get through in some areas and required some good ol' muscle power to get through. As the team dug through, the soil was then loaded into the wheelbarrows and repurposed into other enclosures. The team managed to work together and dig two ponds which was an amazing achievement. The other task for the group was to dig and create two smaller holes for two soak wells. There were some hard layers of soil and rocks to get through, but the team managed to smash through the task. Once the soak well containers were in place, the space was filled in with soil and blue metal over the top.

After all their hard work, the team was able to meet and interact with some of the educational animals onsite. The team especially loved spending this time with Raffy the Black Cockatoo and Vinnie the Wombat and had a photo opportunity with the two resident Dingoes - Bindi and Banjo. WA Wildlife would not be able to get any of these important jobs done without groups like yours and are extremely appreciative of your efforts. Thank you BHP!

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

