



## PRESERVE. PROTECT. WILDLIFE FOR LIFE!

WA Wildlife (originally known as Native Arc) has been on a very exciting journey over the last decade and created WA's first wildlife veterinary hospital. As a not-for-profit organisation, WA Wildlife provides medical care and rehabilitation services for injured, sick and orphaned native wildlife, releasing over 3000 animals in 2022. WA Wildlife receives injured wildlife from a variety of sources including the public, veterinarian clinics, local councils, rangers and other wildlife centres. The centre would not be where it is today without its dedicated group of volunteers. 250 volunteers ensure the centre and animals are cared for daily, an amazing effort to say the least.

On Friday 3rd November, 12 dedicated volunteers from the BHP Newman Planning & Scheduling team spent the day building perches, gardening and preparing food for the animals. Some team members have volunteered with the centre in the past so they knew their way around the joint!

The morning commenced with Karen introducing WA Wildlife to the team. Karen led a comprehensive tour of the hospital and the wildlife facilities on the premises, revealing the scale of the operation. Following the tour, the team descended to the site and split into groups. Most of the team dedicated themselves to constructing perches, collaborating closely to plan and organise the assembly of the branches. One team member contributed to the gardening tasks, tending to the garden bed, clearing leaf litter, and ensuring the overall tidiness of the property. Another team member lent a hand in the kitchen, assisting with the preparation of meals for the resident animals. The team performed admirably in their designated roles, leaving the place looking impeccable by the day's end.

As the day ended, Karen granted the team an opportunity to interact with some of the animals residing on the site. Currently, WA Wildlife accommodates 34 resident animals, many of which participate in the educational program. The team greeted Vinnie the wombat, fed the emus, met Raffy the cockatoo, and had a chance to take a photo with the two resident Dingoes - Bindi and Banjo. Kudos to the planning and scheduling team for their exceptional support and hard work. We trust they relished the experience and look forward to their return!

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