



HANDS ON DAY AT BIRDS OF PREY

The Western Australian Raptors Centre houses Auzzie, the Wedge-tailed Eagle, beloved mascot of the West Coast Eagles. Established in 2000, the centre actively engages in the rehabilitation and conservation of injured Birds of Prey (BOP), while also providing educational flying displays and school sessions.

On October 27, 2023, the BHP Asset Management & Engineering team dedicated their day to site maintenance, including activities such as cleaning, gardening, and constructing aviaries. Split into three teams, each group undertook specific tasks.

The first team focused on aviary maintenance, disinfecting the area, clearing debris, pressure washing, and replenishing water bowls. The second team concentrated on gardening, clearing leaf litter, pruning branches, and tending to the garden beds. They also assisted with other tasks like unloading trailers, cleaning hospital items, and folding laundry. The third team, well-suited for their engineering skills, contributed to the construction of aviaries, undertaking tasks like digging holes, securing nets, and ensuring structural stability.

To conclude the day, the team participated in an informative session about the diverse range of Birds of Prey with focus on the centre's mission. Some team members had the opportunity to hold an eagle, an owl, and even a python (though not everyone was keen on handling 'mocha' the snake!).

The WA Birds of Prey Centre extends its gratitude for the team's valuable contribution and looks forward to welcoming them back in the future. Thank you for your support!



