

Men of the Trees—Beverley Greening Challenge



The Greening Challenge by Men of the Trees involved the planting of 35,000 seedlings in the East Beverley region of the Wheatbelt. This was funded by the Wheatbelt NRM Small Community Grant program. Five areas were chosen in the East Beverley region to connect fragmented remnant vegetation and stabilise soils along the waterways.

Seedlings were chosen on the basis of being native to the area and their ability to survive the predicted drying climate.

Volunteers for planting were drawn from the metropolitan and rural areas, and the event was also a celebration of the Australian Year of the Farmer. Planters were from Men of the Trees, Rotary Club of Mill Point, Girl Guides from Rockingham, as well as members of the local Beverley community.

The planting day on the 21st of July also coincided with the 90th birthday celebrations of Men of the Trees.

The areas were selected to have a positive effect on the Yenyenning Lake System. The four landholders involved were Trevor and Amanda Mclean, Brendan and Mandy McClean, Wayne and Lesley Sleep and Bruce and Sally Kilpatrick. Trevor and Amanda McClean planted sandalwood hosts and saltbush. Brendan and Mandy McClean planted 5100 seedling of approximately 15 different varieties for habitat for wildlife while Wayne and Lesley Sleep planted 5000 assorted seedlings along a salt affected creek in bushland. Bruce and Sally Kilpatrick planted to increase habitat and native species, and to control water issues from run off from their granite outcrops.

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Recipient: Men of the Trees

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People Involved: 80



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