



## GREENFINGERS TV THIS SATURDAY AT 5:30PM



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**The first episode for the season of Greenfingers TV will air on Channel 9 this Saturday the 1st of November at 5:30pm.**

The SMRC and Recycle Right filmed a segment at the Perth Royal Show, asking kids about recycling and what they do at home to reduce waste.

This is the first of many segments about recycling and waste reduction that will be on the show over the coming weeks.

Make sure you tune in to Greenfingers every Saturday at 5:30 on Channel 9.



Photos: Filming the first episode of Greenfingers TV for 2014 at the Perth Royal Show

## PLEDGE TREE

Check out some of the pledges from our pledge tree at the Perth Royal Show.



## CONGRATULATIONS TREVOR AND THE TEAM AT GREENFINGERS!



The Greenfingers Garden at the Perth Royal Show had approximately 275,000 visitors. It was also voted best display at the show by the Royal Agricultural Society committee.



## CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

**Food waste, wrapping paper, glass jars and bottles, packaging from presents... Christmas creates a lot of additional waste!**

With less than 8 weeks to go until Christmas, now is the time to start planning to produce less waste this Christmas.

### Here are a few things you can do:

**Remember what you have already bought** – some of us start buying early and then put things ‘away’, promptly forgetting about it, then finding it once it is too late.

**Plan what you need and make a list** – if you list the things you need to buy, then tick them off as you go, you won’t double up on anything.

**Think about the presents you are giving, how much waste they produce (such as batteries) and how much packaging they have.** Try giving the gift of an experience instead, such as rock climbing or a massage.

If you are having a Christmas Party this year, **make it easy for your guests to recycle** by providing two labelled bins for your green-topped bin and your yellow-topped bin.

**Try to minimise food waste** by only buying what you need, serving smaller portions and storing and using leftovers.

**Try making homemade gifts such as jam or relish.** You may be surprised that it will only cost you a couple of dollars per jar to make. Use cool jars you have collected throughout the year and you can even create your own label.

**Buy quality decorations** and store them for future use.



*“Try giving the gift of an experience such as rock climbing or a massage”*

## DON'T BAG IT!

New research shows that lots of people who put their recycling in the bin in a bag, genuinely think the items will be recycled. Unfortunately they’re wrong, **recycling in plastic bags ends up in landfill.** Items should be loose with the lids removed.



For more information go to [recycleright.net.au](http://recycleright.net.au)

## BIOFILTER MAINTENANCE

Maintenance on the Biofilters at the Waste Composting Facility is now complete, ensuring the biofilters are performing at an optimum level.

Tours will recommence to the Waste Composting Facility in the coming weeks. To book a tour of the facility contact Anna on 9256 9555 or email [tours@smrc.com.au](mailto:tours@smrc.com.au)





## GREEN WASTE – BRING IT TO US!



The SMRC can process the Green Waste from your garden.

Clean Green Waste can be delivered direct to the Regional Resource Recovery Centre, 350 Bannister Road, Canning Vale, WA, 6155.

100% of the Green Waste is recovered, with no residual waste going to landfill.

The RRRC is open 7 days a week, 8.00am to 4.00pm (except Christmas Day and New Years Day)

Please call 9256 9555 with any queries.

### YES ✓

We accept all **CLEAN GREEN WASTE** (Max Cut 1.5m length/300mm wide)

- ✓ Tree & Shrub prunings
- ✓ Grass Clippings
- ✓ Clean Stump & Root material

Contaminants prevent recovery of green waste as a useful resource. Please help resource recovery by understanding that the following **cannot** be accepted.

### NO ✗

- ✗ Weeds & Sand
- ✗ General Waste
- ✗ Building Waste
- ✗ Dug Out Lawn & Turf
- ✗ Metal (Nails, Brackets etc)
- ✗ Contaminated Green Waste
- ✗ Painted & Treated Wood
- ✗ No Pallets
- ✗ Cardboard

## REGIONAL RESOURCE RECOVERY CENTRE – GREEN WASTE FACILITY

**OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK: 8:00am – 4:00pm** (Except Christmas & New Years day)

The following **charges** apply:

### CLEAN GREEN WASTE

**Max Cut 1.5m length/300mm wide – No Contamination (see ✗ list)**

Cars, Utilities & Trailers up to 1.5 cubic metres (Single Axle 6x4 box trailer)	<b>\$30 per entry</b>
Cars, Utilities & Trailers 1.5 - 3.0 cubic metres (Tandem 8x4, Caged or Enclosed High Sided Trailers)	<b>\$55 per entry</b>
Trucks & Heavy Vehicles – minimum entry charge	<b>\$75 per tonne</b>
Trucks & Heavy Vehicles – oversized > 1.5m length 300mm wide	<b>\$150 per tonne</b>
Commercial contracts over 200 tonnes pa	<b>\$50 - \$75 per tonne</b>

### PALMS

**Max Cut 1.5m length/300mm wide – No Contamination (see ✗ list)**

Cars, Utilities & Trailers up to 1.5 cubic metres (Single Axle 6x4 box trailer)	<b>\$55 per entry</b>
Cars, Utilities & Trailers 1.5 - 3.0 cubic metres (Tandem 8x4, Caged or Enclosed High Sided Trailers)	<b>\$70 per entry</b>
Trucks & Heavy Vehicles	<b>\$150 per tonne</b>
Trucks & Heavy Vehicles – oversized > 1.5m length 0.3m wide	<b>\$150 per tonne</b>

Residents of the **City of Cockburn** and **Town of East Fremantle** may use a **valid tip pass**. Paying customers do **not** have to be residents within a SMRC member Council area.



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## PLANET ARK NATIONAL RECYCLING WEEK

Planet Ark National Recycling Week is from the 10th to the 16th of November 2014.



### 7 SECRETS OF SUCCESSFUL RECYCLERS

**The Seven Secrets of Successful Recyclers**  
For Planet Ark's National Recycling Week 2014 we are lifting the bin lid on Australia's Successful Recyclers. We reveal the seven simple tips they use to get recycling right.

- Know The Facts**  
They are among the 33% of Australians who know that empty aerosol cans are recyclable and they also know that Pringles tubes, biscuit packets and broken glasses can't go in home recycling bins.
- Do It In The Bathroom**  
They are among the 20% of people who have recycling bins in their bathroom to collect all the aerosol cans and shampoo bottles they use there.
- Don't Bag It**  
They are among the 77% of Australians who never put their recycling in plastic bags, as they know that recycling in plastic bags can't be processed and that it ends up in landfill.
- Do It In Public**  
They are among the 74% of Australians who get frustrated when they can't find a recycling bin when out so they look for one of the thousands of Australian Packaging Covenant and council provided recycling bins located at parks, beaches and shopping centres.
- Take It To Work**  
They are among the 78% of people who feel good that their employer provides recycling services and they take their good recycling habits from home to work.
- Think Outside The Bin**  
They know that sending valuable items like used electronics to landfill is a waste of resources so they recycle with free and responsible programs like 'Cartridges 4 Planet Ark' and MobileMuster.
- Buy It Back**  
They finish the job of recycling by buying products made from recycled material whether for everyday use, like office paper and toilet paper, or for special projects like carpet underlay and eWood.

[RecyclingWeek.PlanetArk.org](http://RecyclingWeek.PlanetArk.org)  
 or call the RecyclingNearYou Hotline on 1300 733 712.

Check out the 7 secrets of successful recyclers shown here, or visit [recyclingweek.planetark.org/](http://recyclingweek.planetark.org/) for more information.



## COMMUNITY FEEDBACK HOTLINE

At the SMRC we welcome feedback from the community about our operations at the Regional Resource Recovery Centre in Canning Vale. With your assistance, we can improve how we work and achieve our vision of delivering sustainable waste management solutions for the benefit of our communities and the environment.

The SMRC's Community Feedback Hotline is open to the public 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. You can use the Community Feedback Hotline to:

- Report an odour you suspect may be coming from the RRRC
- Tell us what you think about recycling in the Southern Region of Perth
- Give us feedback about a tour you have been to at our facility
- Give us feedback about your waste calendar and how you would like to receive your information about recycling.

Once an odour is reported to the Community Feedback Hotline, details such as the location, time and character of the odour will be immediately sent to the staff at the Regional Resource Recovery Centre, who will conduct an inspection of the Waste Composting Facility, as well as investigate the location where the odour was reported.

Incidences of odour are also immediately sent to the DER so their officers can attend to determine the source of the odour.

A call to our feedback line will receive a personal response by the next working day.

Odours reported hours or days after they have been experienced cannot be verified.

The Community Feedback Hotline, **1300 556 726**, is answered 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, all year round.



## TOURS



Photo: Tour Guide Anna Sondalini

The Recycle Right Tour Guides can provide your school, community group, family and friends, with a fantastic tour of the Regional Resource Recovery Centre in Canning Vale. The tour takes 1.5 to 2 hours and includes a stroll through the conservation area, the Waste Composting Facility, Audit and Green Waste Facilities and finishes in our state-of-the-art Materials Recovery Facility Education Centre.

For further information, or to book your tour, please call Anna on **9256 9555** or email [tours@smrc.com.au](mailto:tours@smrc.com.au)



**COME ON A TOUR OF THE RRRRC IN NOVEMBER TO RECEIVE YOUR FREE COPY OF THE LATEST GARDEN GURU MAGAZINE**

## COMMUNITY ADVISORY GROUP

If you would like to join the CAG or learn more about what they do, please contact them on the details below.

Please email [smrccag@gmail.com](mailto:smrccag@gmail.com) or write to them at SMRC Community Advisory Group, PO Box 1501, Booragoon WA 6154.



Like us on facebook at **RecycleRight NOW with SMRC CAG.**

**Do you love recycling?**  
The Community Advisory Group (CAG) is your point of contact for recycling and more. We'd love to hear from you!

**Would you like to join the Community Advisory Group?**

The Southern Metropolitan Regional Council is responsible for waste management and recycling in your area.

The Community Advisory Group is an independent group made up of community volunteers who raise public awareness about recycling.

Come on a tour of the Regional Resource Recovery centre to find out what happens to your waste!

To contact or join us:  
Email: [smrccag@gmail.com](mailto:smrccag@gmail.com)  
Find us on Facebook or write to: SMRC Community Advisory Group, P.O. Box 1501, Booragoon WA 6154



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