



Case Study

Catholic Primary Schools Interschool Netball Carnival

Profile

The Catholic Primary Schools, - interschool Netball Carnival is held annually.

Each year a different catholic primary school is selected to coordinate the event and in 2011 it was Good Shepherd Primary School – Amaroo. The school elected for the event to be run by a parent committee in cooperation with the school.

The event was attended by 160 teams averaging eight players each, with some coming from as far as the NSW South Coast. With parents and siblings there were an estimated 3000 people attending the carnival this year.



Venue

The event was held at the Tuggeranong Netball Association Courts Calwell Playing Fields – Calwell ACT.



Planning

A waste coordinator was appointed by the parent committee running the event to coordinate waste disposal on the day. Through their attendance at an ACTSmart Public event education evening and face to face meetings with ACTSmart staff they developed a site plan with the number of bins needed and their approximate placement.

The coordinator was also able to contact the waste contractor for the venue to ensure that all recycling captured would be taken to an appropriate facility and that they would inform her of the weights of waste to landfill and mixed recycling.

The coordinator also organised for all cardboard at the event to be collected by a volunteer and taken to the nearest recycling drop off point.

Being part of the ACTSmart Program gave the Carnival free access to the ACTSmart program bin skirts and signage (see pictures).

An article was also placed in the school newsletter about the ACTSmart Program and its implementation at the netball carnival.

On the day

Bins were placed in stations with one recycling and one waste.

Messages were placed over the loud speaker encouraging people to recycle at the event.

Volunteers worked to ensure bins were exchanged and didn't overflow on the day.

Signage was given to food vendors to remind patrons that many of the catering utensils (plates cups etc) could be placed in the recycling bin.

The ACTSmart Public Event Recycling program is set up to help you manage the waste requirements at your event, simply. Their advice, support and information allowed us to effectively recycle at the Catholic Schools Netball Carnival in 2011. Access to bins skirts and a range of signage, ensured the event looked professional and made recycling super easy to implement. It's simple, free, easy and recycling is the only way to go. Have a chat to the ACTSmart team, they know their stuff and are keen to help you make waste management the easy part of your event.

Linda Flemming - Waste coordinator

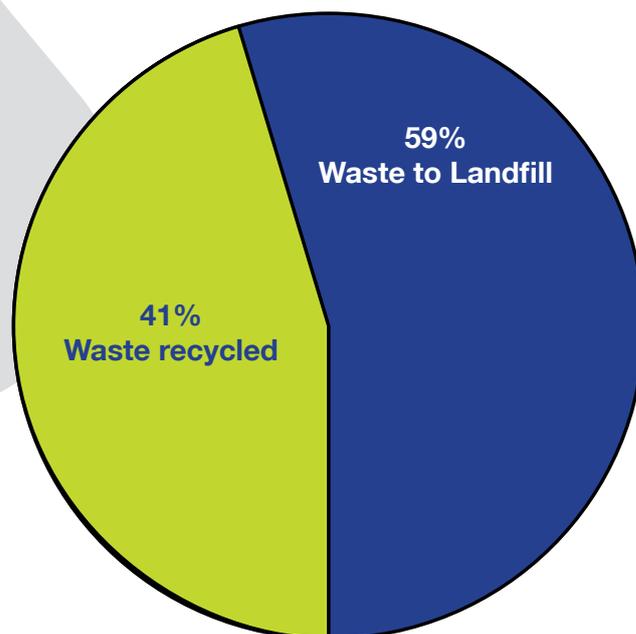


The Result

The Catholic Netball Carnival produced

- 5280 Litres of Waste to Landfill
- 3600 Litres of Comingled Recycling

This means that 41% of waste was recycled at the event.



The ACTSmart Public Event team can provide a step-by-step best practice guide to waste management, tailored for your event.

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