



Remember to Recycle Right

Why Recycle Right?

Did you know that residents in the Central Murray Region send enough waste to landfill to fill the MCG one and half times every year?

While Australian's love to be number 1 when it comes to sport, the arts and economics we shouldn't be proud of the fact that we are the second highest producers of waste in the world!

The USA tops this list, but knocking them off the number one spot should not be a goal for Australian's to achieve.

Recycling is a great way to divert a significant amount of waste from being dumped in our local landfills and we need every household to get involved and recycle as much as possible.

Even in country Victoria, waste disposed of in landfills is on the increase and we are filling up our tips at an alarming rate.

Recycle Annie is spreading the message "Remember to Recycle Right" to help us collect as much recyclable material as we can and reduce the amount of contaminants that are thrown into recycling bins.

Up to 80,000 tonnes of recyclable waste is dumped each year in Victoria because of contamination, with a further 160,000 tonnes sent to landfills because it is put in the wrong bins.

Over the next 3 fortnightly columns we'll be helping to spread Annie's message on what you can and can't recycle, how to make it easy and what are the benefits of the recycling process.

Recycling is a highly successful industry and has allowed Australian's to lead the way in the development of new technologies and processing systems.

And while we might be the second highest producers of waste in the world, we are the number one country for newspaper recycling and so the challenge is to reduce the amount of waste we generate and keep recycling as much as we can.