

ENERGY BREAKTHROUGH | BECOMING A SUSTAINABLE EVENT

The Dja Dja Wurrung People have looked after the Djandak land on which Energy Breakthrough (EB) is held for over 65,000 years. By taking a few simple steps, we can ensure we too, can look after this unceded land.

Working closely with social enterprise, B-Alternative, Central Goldfields Shire Council are implementing some exciting initiatives to make the EB event more environmentally conscious than ever before, but we need everyone onsite to be aware and be a part of the movement.

You will meet the friendly B-Alternative staff and volunteers throughout the event, who will be helping to make sure EB has the smallest environmental impact as possible.

Below are sustainability initiatives for the event. We ask that your school take the time to carefully absorb this information, support the concepts, and familiarise yourself with the expectations when camping on the land.

ACTIONS EB WILL BE TAKING

- Make an Acknowledgement of Country throughout the event.
- Seek out opportunities to listen and learn from First Peoples.
- Caring for Country practises through leaving the site as clean as they found it, and not damaging any land whilst there.

ACTIONS THAT B-ALTERNATIVE WILL BE IMPLEMENTING



Reusable Crockery System

In an effort to have as little landfill waste as possible, B-Alternative will be implementing a reusable system which will see the food and beverage vendors have reusable crockery instead of single use packaging. This initiative helps us reduce our vendor related event waste by 90-95%.



Resource Recovery Stations

To reduce the amount of general waste on site and to ensure items are properly recycled or composted, B-Alternative will be using multi stream waste systems across the event area.



Please follow the directions of the waste volunteers and place all of your waste into the correct section of the Resource Recovery Stations (bin stations).



Campsite Education

B-Alternative will be walking around campsites to ensure tents and marquees are set up correctly, so they don't get damaged and become single-use items. They will also be checking on litter and general cleanliness of campsites and team areas.



Clean Campsite/Team Area Competition

Prizes will be awarded to the five cleanest campsites/team areas across the event as judged by our environmental team. Encourage your friends to clean up, recycle, compost, get your house in order!

ACTIONS WE ASK FROM SCHOOLS (STUDENTS, STAFF & PARENTS)

Use the below as a checklist to prepare for the event and ensure you're leaving a low environmental impact when you head home.

SUSTAINABLE ACTIONS	✓
Bring a labelled reusable drink bottle.	
Bring reusable items like bags, straws, coffee cups, plates and cutlery.	
Buy/borrow/bring quality camping gear.	
Second-hand gear is a great option if you need to purchase.	
If your gear breaks, get it repaired and dispose of it thoughtfully. Don't leave it on site at the end of the event.	
Be conscious of what you are bringing to site - waste free, no - low packaging. Bring snacks in reusable containers rather than single use packaging, avoid individually wrapped lollies etc	
Make better personal hygiene choices like plastic-free, waste-free and cruelty-free skincare, haircare and menstrual care.	
Separate your waste into the appropriate streams then drop them off at your nearest resource recovery station. All campers will be provided with organics, recycling and general waste bags.	
Bring along water dispensers to refill drink bottles for large groups e.g. 5L or 10L etc. Try to avoid bringing the 10L plastic ones.	

Thank you for working hard with us to ensure EB 2022 will respect our planet.