

Recycled Plastic News



Pictured below are some examples of recycled plastic products recently installed around Australasia.

Industrial & Domestic plastic waste used as a resource!

Airport advances amenities

As part of a multi-million dollar renovation, Launceston Airport needed to upgrade its passenger drop off area and outdoor passenger facilities. The airport operator's goal was to ensure all seating would be compliant with the Australian Standards of Design for access and mobility (AS 1428.2-1992 Part 2), which specifies that armrests should be a certain height to make it easier for older people and people with physical disabilities to stand up. After looking at the requirements, Replas agreed to design a new armrest, which has now been added to the product range. So impressed was the airport operator with the first delivery of seats, they have decided to order another ten immediately for use in the car park.



Partially Installed

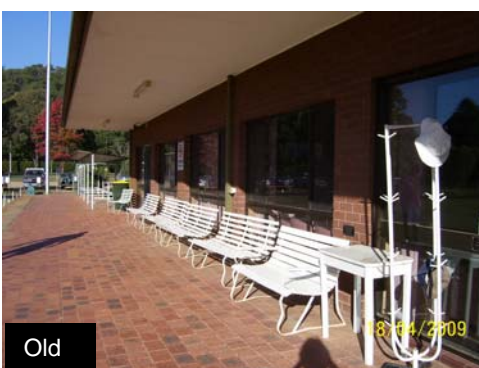


Easy access

Enduroplank™ decking is the ideal choice for beach access pathways as salt water will not corrode the material, even when submerged. To create the beach access, recycled-plastic slats are used as floating bearers. Sturdy Enduroplanks™ are then simply screwed to the bearers and the sand does the rest. The grooved finish of the Enduroplank™ ensures a non-slip surface which doesn't heat up in the sun, due to airflow movement between the raised fins on each plank. Beach access pathways help reduce sand erosion as they encourage visitors to stick to the official beach entry corridor. Shown here are several of the eight recycled-plastic beach pathways that have now been installed in Ballina, NSW.

Bright seating solution

Members at Bright Bowls Club are thrilled with their new Daintree seating, reports Secretary Elaine O'Shea. As the Daintree can be custom-made to almost any length, the club was able to replace four seats with a single one, creating a comfortable and social seating solution.



Old



New



Traffic stopper

Boroondara Council recently installed Replas' recycled-plastic wheel stops in a busy car park in Ashburton. The wheel stops comply with the Australian Standard and their sturdy, but lightweight construction ensures that they're simple and safe to install. Coordinator, Road Related Asset Maintenance, William McGivern is very pleased with the product and the council has placed another order.



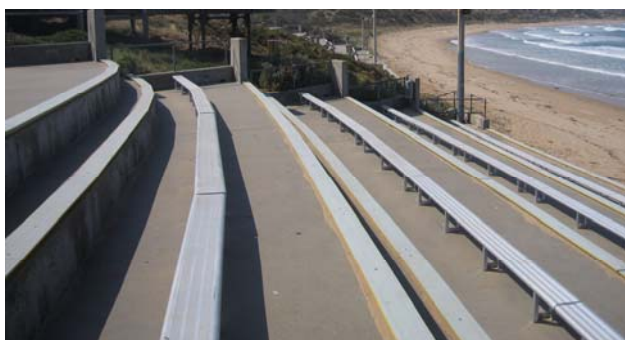
No more maintenance blues

Hutt City Council has replaced some of the seating in Govind Bhula Park, Lower Hutt, New Zealand with Replas' recycled-plastic Kimberley seats. Sturdy Kimberly seats are available in two lengths and three slat colours, one of which, the blue, exactly matches the existing seating and bollard colour scheme used on the Hutt River Trail.

The council's Horticultural Manager, Judy Robb, is delighted that, going forward, there will be need to repair rot, sand down or repaint the seats to keep up the appearance of the amenity. "The council has a commitment to sustainability, and we're 'walking the talk' by making this purchase", commented Judy. "The seats look just great!"

Plotting their next move

The students at the Junior School of Rostrevor College in Adelaide, SA, love the custom-made recycled-plastic outdoor table that's been installed in a shady corner of their grounds – it came complete with two chess boards! Now each recess and lunch break they jostle for places at the table, enjoying the fresh air while indulging in some fun and mind-challenging chess games.



Enduroplanks™ on parade

The Penguin Parade at Philip Island Nature Parks, Victoria, is one of Australia's premier tourist attractions. Hundreds of visitors gather at dusk each day to enjoy the spectacle as the world's smallest penguins, Little Penguins, waddle up the beach to the safety of the dunes. Until now, those seated in the main viewing area perched only on hard (and frequently chilly) concrete steps.

Enduroplanks™ have recently been fitted to the concrete steps, resulting in a much more comfortable viewing experience for visitors – particularly on those cold winter nights. This simple, inexpensive and effective solution is a great example of how a little 'thinking outside the box' can lead to our products being used in innovative ways.

