



# Special Event Report Card

Event Name: Rotary Club of Aspen 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Ducky Derby  
Event Date: August 13, 2011

### Explanation of rating system:

- Excelled
- Met ZGreen Requirements
- Just missed requirements
- Did not meet requirements

**Overall Effort:** ●

Education	<span style="color: yellow;">●</span>
Waste Stations	<span style="color: green;">●</span>
Giveaways/Sponsors	<span style="color: green;">●</span>

**Successes:** The Aspen Rotary Club’s Ducky Derby has showed vast improvement with regard to greening efforts. Well done on utilizing 100% recycled paper for the Duck Adoption papers, as well as compostable cups, plates, and cutlery. Waste stations were well-placed and no Styrofoam products were used. Wonderful effort selling reusable water bottles while also encouraging the use of fill stations. Vegetarian option for food was also executed well. Thank you for using Sunny the Solar Roller.

**Opportunities for Improvement:** Some efforts that were communicated via the Event Checklist were not executed properly. Although staff and/or volunteers were trained in “greening” efforts, many of the staff/volunteers were still not helpful in educating the attendees or leading by example. In future years, more time needs to be dedicated to ensuring that all Rotarians are knowledgeable about the event’s greening efforts and can assist attendees. Most volunteers/staff “didn’t have any idea what went where,” as one volunteer put it.

Although there were some signs regarding waste disposal, many signs were missing (at the food tent) and partially covered. Also, there was no effort made to educate attendees about what the vent was doing to be green. ZGreen recommends hanging signage around the event next time. ZGreen strongly encourages Rotary to eliminate the use of the balloon arch at the entry. Balloons are single use items that pollute our waterways and air. In future years, balloon arches of any type will not be allowed at Aspen’s events.

This report card will be kept on file and referenced for future events. It will also be made available to the public on our website. The Aspen ZGreen program is a joint program between the City of Aspen Environmental Health Department and the Canary Initiative. Please contact us at [ZGreen@ci.aspen.co.us](mailto:ZGreen@ci.aspen.co.us) or (970)429-1798