

Community Water Forum: “What’s happening with water?” & 20 Years of Landcare Celebration

**Friday 20th
November
2009**

Water Forum:
12.45 for 1pm start,
finishing at 5.00pm at
The Seymour Club,
Cnr Elizabeth & Tallarook
Streets, Seymour

**Landcare Celebration
Dinner:**
6.00-9.30pm at
Trawool Valley Resort,
8150 Goulburn Valley
Hwy, Trawool

Please advise special dietary
requirements

All Welcome

**RSVP essential to
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By 11th November**

**Presented by the
Broken Goulburn
Implementation
Committee**

Water Forum (see over for full program details)

The objectives are to develop a shared understanding of:

- Relevant water policy, processes for policy formulation, key factors influencing water policy and likely changes, particularly relating to dryland agricultural areas.
- The current water resource in the GB catchment, the state of scientific knowledge and likely changes to ground and surface water in the face of prolonged drought and climate change.
- Key agencies in the Goulburn Broken catchment that manage the water resource. And,
- To identify community concerns and issues on water resources in the catchment and the processes for community input on water management.



Landcare Celebration Dinner

Following the Water Forum join GB CMA Landcare members in celebrating all things Landcare, including:

- Launch of “Milestones, Memories and Messages - a history of Landcare in the Goulburn Broken Catchment” by Carole Hamilton Barwick;
- Showcase of Network projects including: “Fencers without boundaries” and pasture cropping;
- The Upper Goulburn Hubert Miller Perpetual Trophy*; and,
- Launch of the GB CMA’s Service to Landcare Honour Roll*.

*For nominations contact Tony Kubeil on 0408 597 213 by 11 Nov.



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Community Water Forum Program

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of the Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority



12:45pm	Arrive, tea and coffee available	
1:00-1:10pm	Welcome, objectives of the forum	David Dore, Chair Broken Goulburn Implementation Committee
1:10-1:25pm	Program	Facilitator: Cath Botta
Policy Context		
1:25-1:45pm	<i>From State policy to a catchment context, including the Northern Region SWS</i>	David Downie, General Manager, Office of Water, DSE
1:45 – 1:50pm	Question time – questions of clarification	Cath Botta
Theme 1: Surface Water		
1:50-2:10pm	Environmental Flow Management	Geoff Earl, Environmental Water Flow Coordinator, GBCMA
2:10-2:30pm	Surface water availability and use	Graeme Hannan, Executive Manager, Water Resources, GMW
2:30– 2:50pm	Panel questions: David Downie, Geoff Earl, Graeme Hannan	Cath Botta
2:50pm – 3:20pm Afternoon Tea		
Theme 2: Ground Water		
3:20-3:40pm	Whole of Water Cycle Management and Future Role of Groundwater	Dr Richard Evans, Principal Hydrogeologist, Sinclair Knight Merz
3:40-4:00pm	An overview of the Goulburn Broken Groundwater Resource Appraisal project	Simon Cowan, Manager Groundwater and Unregulated Systems, GMW
4:00 – 4:20pm	Panel questions: Richard Evans and Simon Cowan	Cath Botta
4:20-4:50pm	Plenary session	Cath Botta
4:50 – 5:00pm	Closing comments	