

# Watersource

## GET INNOVATIVE FOR NATIONAL WATER WEEK

Australia will celebrate National Water Week from 18-24 October 2015. The theme this year is Innovation and that is very close to our hearts at Busselton Water after we received jointly with City of Busselton, the **2014 WA Water Industry Infrastructure innovation Award** for harnessing the warmth of natural ground water to heat the pools at the Geopraphe Leisure Centre.



The project completion has reduced power costs and is projected to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by almost 450 tonnes per year. In an added bonus, swimmers are now able to use the outdoor pool all year long.

Our scientists, engineers and thought-leaders will continue to work on exciting new innovative ideas and we've been on the lookout for new ways to help our community recognise and celebrate water too.

Busselton has some of the most beautiful water in the world and, to celebrate National Water Week 2015, we've been running a photography competition to capture our water in all its amazing dimensions. We'll be announcing the winners next week and look forward to sharing their innovative ideas in the next edition of Watersource.

Natural ground water saves money and the environment

## DID YOU KNOW?

Last year Busselton Water:

- extracted 5.18 gigalitres of groundwater;
- delivered 4.33 gigalitres of drinking water to 12,545 customers;
- delivered 0.18 gigalitres of drinking water to customers in the Dunsborough/Yallingup Water Supply Scheme;
- invested \$3.3 million in infrastructure;
- employed 32 local people; and
- invested more than \$5.7 million with local businesses.

Most importantly we did all this while supplying some of the best quality water in the world!

You can read more about our work over the last financial year in our Annual Report which is now available at [busseltonwater.wa.gov.au](http://busseltonwater.wa.gov.au)



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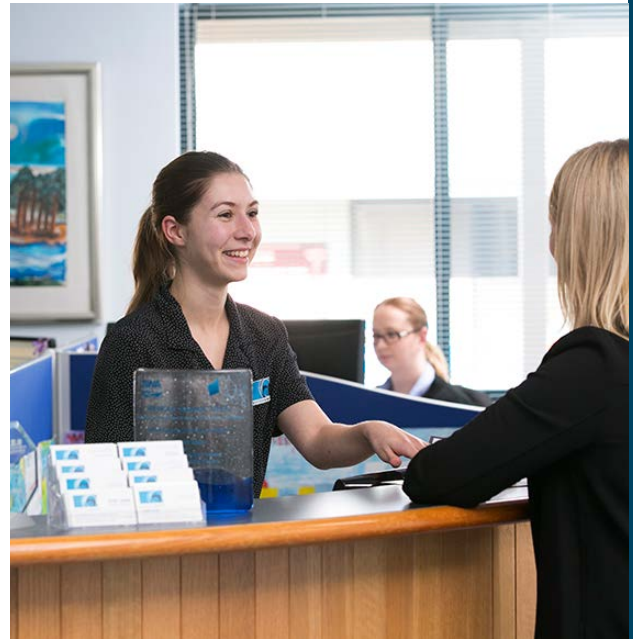
# Billing made easy

We know paying bills is never fun but it can be easy. Busselton Water now offers a number of different billing options to make paying your account hassle-free.

- If you lose paper bills, e-billing may be the way to go. Sign up for e-billing and we'll email your bill directly to you. You'll not only help the environment, you'll also save time – no more filing required!
- Sign up for Direct Debit and your Busselton Water account can be paid on time, automatically. Direct debit doesn't cost anything but it can save you time and effort – next time your account is due you won't even have to think about it. You can even nominate to pay a smaller amount more often to help manage your water account.

Call us or log onto [www.busseltonwater.wa.gov.au](http://www.busseltonwater.wa.gov.au) to find out more.

**Landlords: we can now send tenants a separate bill for their water usage. Call us and ask us about tenant billing.**



## IS YOUR GARDEN WATERWISE?

### TIP 1

Apply mulch before the hot weather arrives to retain moisture in your garden and save water and money. Effective waterwise mulches have a coarse and irregular texture which allows water to penetrate and the soil to breathe, while reducing evaporation and keeping the soil cool.

### TIP 2

Water wisely. Water early or late in the day to reduce evaporation. Check your soil to see if watering is necessary before turning on the tap.

### TIP 3

Soils in Busselton are generally sandy. To help your garden retain moisture improve your soil with organic matter and apply a wetting agent regularly.

## 2 DAY WATER ROSTER NOW ON!

The 2 day water roster applies to all scheme water users in Busselton until **31 May**.

Sprinklers or reticulation cannot be used between 9am – 6pm. All bore water users must comply with this daytime sprinkler restriction.

A penalty may apply if these regulations are breached. You may hand water at any time.

## Your watering days

You may water only once either before 9am or after 6pm.

Number* Your 2 Watering days	
1	Wednesday + Saturday
2	Thursday + Sunday
3	Friday + Monday
4	Saturday + Tuesday
5	Sunday + Wednesday
6	Monday + Thursday
7	Tuesday + Friday
8	Wednesday + Saturday
9	Thursday + Sunday
10	Friday + Monday

\*Number is the last digit of your house or lot number.

NOTE: The 2 day restriction does not apply to bore users.



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