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# BALONNE AGRICULTURE, WATER AND ENVIRONMENT (AWE)

Located in the Lower Balonne region of Australia's Murray-Darling Basin, the Balonne Shire boasts a diverse and highly productive agricultural industry. Producers are global leaders in food and fibre production and early adopters of innovative technologies. Agriculture is the lifeblood of the Shire with every town located on a river.



Hands on learning experiences, links to agricultural professionals, AWE enterprises and careers advice.

### AG CAREERS IMMERSION PROGRAM

An immersive learning program offering years 10 – 12 students the opportunity to enhance knowledge, build skills and gain pathways into local employment in agriculture, water and the environment (AWE) in the Balonne Shire. The six (6) day Ag Immersion Camps are held throughout the year with programs tailored to the school curriculum and local seasons. Practical advice is offered to better inform career pathways.



Years 10 -12 students



Local tours, demonstrations, workshops and group projects



Engage with industry and build networks for future employment



1 x QCE point through QCAA Career Education Short Course

### PATHWAYS & CAREERS

### **Local Ag Immersion Camps**

- Hands-on immersive learning
- Farm tours
- Site visits and industry updates (including employment opportunities and industry focused careers talks)
- Workshops and outdoor classroom learning
- Connections with potential employers

### **Future Opportunities**

Stay in touch.

Dedicated support officers are available to offer guidance for immersion camp participants and any students interested in future employment opportunities in the Balonne Shire.

### Support and Pathways

- Support for gaining local jobs and building an AWE career.
- Work experience placements
- Traineeship opportunities
- Pathways to employment
- Careers advice





Develop industry
O skill sets for a future
career in agriculture.

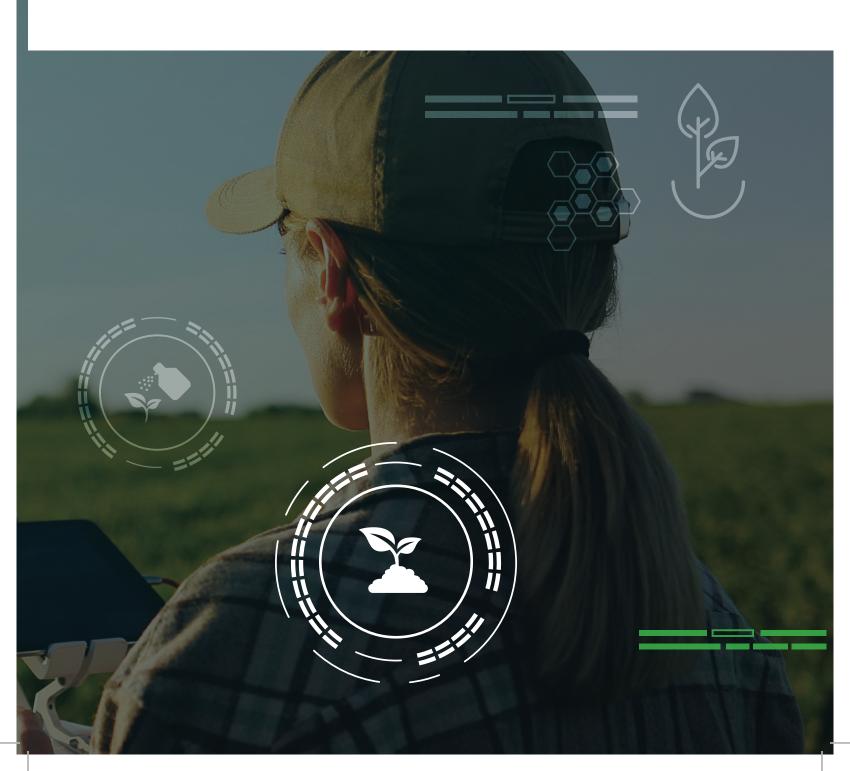






## EMERGING OPPORTUNITIES IN BALONNE

- Bio Tech
- Ag Tech
- Vertical Farming
- Value-added processing
- Native foods industries
- Plant and animal science and engineering



### BALONNE SEASONAL CALENDAR

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	
Cropping						
Wheat						
Barley						
Chickpeas						
Cotton						Т
Mungbeans						
Corn						
Forage Sorghum						
Oats						
Horticulture						
Table Grapes						
Wine Grapes						
Onions						
Garlic						
Pumpkins						Г
Carrots						
Cotton Processing*						
Cotton Ginning						
Horticulture Processing						
Garlic Products						
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Garlic Processing						
Livestock**						
Fencing Cattle Production						
Feedlot Cattle						
Sheep Production						
Goat Production						
Wool Production						
Other Agriculture, Water						
and the Environment***						
Indigenous Land Management						
Water Operations						

<sup>\*</sup>Note: in an average yield year the season is April to June approx. A high yield year the ginning is April to August approx.

\*\*Note: activities such as branding, weaning, shearing and mustering will have peak periods dependent on on each individual enterprise and the climatic conditions. \*\*\*Note: when there is a run in the Balonne River, water operations activities are at the peak. This is highly variable on rainfall. The Balonne River is an ephemeral river system.

	Plant	Mid Season	Harvest	Harvest/Plant
	Average yield volume	High yield volume	All Year	

JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC



### **CONTACT US**

Find out more about the Ag Careers Immersion Program camps, pathways for employment and the latest developments in agriculture, water and the environment.

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