



New Talking Water audio format

Murray Irrigation has introduced an audio format of this newsletter. Listen here: www.murrayirrigation.com.au/media/talking-water/.

SAFETY FIRST

National Safe Work Month

National Safe Work Month, held in October each year, aims to improve awareness of work health and safety, encourage discussion about safety at work and share positive workplace stories from across Australia. This year's theme is *sharing safety knowledge and experience benefits everyone*. For more information, visit: www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/national-safe-work-month.

Postal ballots due 24 October

Ballot papers for the upcoming Director elections were mailed to shareholders last week. Ballots must be completed in accordance with ballot paper instructions and received by CorpVote by **5.00pm Tuesday 24 October**. All enquiries should be directed to Ballot Administrator Tim Jones on T. 1300 428 082.

Telstra maintenance today

Telstra will be conducting scheduled maintenance at Murray Irrigation's Deniliquin office from 1.00pm **today**. Phonelines will be disconnected and the Water Exchange will be unavailable for approximately one hour. Customer Support will still be available via T. 1300 138 265.

Allocation increases to 29 percent

DPI Water announced yesterday a **one percent increase** in general security entitlements allocation for the NSW Murray. This brings the total allocation to **29 percent** for Class C entitlement holders. To access a copy of the announcement, visit the 'Water Resources Updates' section of our website www.murrayirrigation.com.au, or contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

Four days notice for water orders

Customers are reminded that water orders need to be placed at least four days in advance. With the rice season fast approaching, this notification will ensure that your order does not need to be deferred. If you require assistance with ordering water, please contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

June quarter accounts

Charges relating to the June 2017 quarter accounts are now out of terms. Under Murray Irrigation's *Debt Management Procedure*, these charges are now subject to interest. Statements sent recently will show the balance of your account. If you have any queries, please contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

2017/18 Season Operating Plan

Murray Irrigation's 2017/18 Season Operating Plan is now available via: www.murrayirrigation.com.au/water/. Alternatively, contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

Murrumbidgee IVT procedures

Customers are reminded that the account balance for Murrumbidgee Inter-valley Trade (IVT) is updated at 9.00am every day and is available through the WaterNSW website at: www.watarnsw.com.au/customer-service/trading/murrumbidgee. Be sure to monitor the website if you want to trade into or out of the Murrumbidgee Valley.

Landholder Association AGMs

Details of the local landholder association annual general meetings:

- **Denimein Landholders' Association** - **today**, Wednesday 4 October, Pretty Pine Hotel, 5.00pm (contact: Josh Small M. 0427 889 367);
- **Berriquin Irrigators' Council** - Thursday 5 October, Finley RS Club, 7.00pm (contact: Louis Kelly T. 03 5886 1634).

Wetland Wonders evening

A 'Wetland Wonders' evening is being held at the Jerilderie Civic Hall from 5.30pm next Tuesday 10 October. The event will showcase the important plants, animals and services provided by wetlands of the Billabong, Yanco and Colombo creeks. To RSVP, contact Land Services Officer Anthony Conallin on M. 0428 105 889.

Combined cultural heritage tour

The Ricegrowers' Association of Australia Environmental Champions Program is holding a bus tour next Wednesday 11 October to highlight the combined cultural heritage of the region and to encourage community members to learn about and connect with the Yanco and Billabong creeks. The bus tour will depart from the Deniliquin Tourist Information Centre at 8.30am, with a pick-up at Jerilderie Ned Kelly Post Office at 9.30am. Contact Erika Heffer on M. 0438 719 628 or E. ehaffer@rga.org.au.

Announced allocation

Class C General Security 29 %
Water resource distribution 3 %
(issued against Delivery Entitlements)

Water availability and usage

(04/10/17)
Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements.....56 %
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)
On-Farm Balance..... 467 GL
On-Farm Usage 104 GL

Water exchange

8.30am today
Water for Sale 10,931 ML
Price Range \$145 - \$250
Buy Offer \$131
Yesterday's Sales..... 2,963 ML
Price \$139 - \$148
To buy water call 1300 781 431

Water use and trade data

27/09/17 – 03/10/17
Murray Water Exchange activity
Internal buyers (No. & ML)...39; 6,752ML
External buyers (No. & ML)....0; 0ML
Internal sellers (No. & ML)....33; 6,252ML
External sellers (No. & ML).....3; 500ML

Trade to and from licence (excl. Govt.)
Net trade 297ML (week) -10,058ML (YTD)

Crop weekly water use

ML used on farm..... 25 GL (55%
on winter crops)

Channel flows today (ML/day)

	Actual	Capacity
Mulwala Canal	3,832	10,000
Wakool Canal	531	2,350
Escape flows	531	3,250

Rainfall and evaporation

27/09/17 – 03/10/17 Rain Evap
Finley 0.0mm 29.7mm
Tullakool..... 0.2mm 29.8mm

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Dartmouth.....3,261 GL.....85 %
Hume.....2,716 GL.....90 %
Lake Victoria.....661 GL.....98 %
Menindee Lakes650 GL.....38 %
Total Storage.....7,288 GL.....79 %

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Murray @ Doctors Point 15,057 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir 10,895 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge....4,670 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald..... 1,051 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy..... 213 ML/d
Flow to SA..... 6,215 ML/d
Murray to the Sea 7 gates open

This information is provided for general reference purposes only. Murray Irrigation takes best endeavours to ensure accuracy. It is collated at 8.00am Tuesdays and is subject to change.