



## SAFETY FIRST

### Mental health forum

Riverina Bluebell is holding a mental health forum at the Deniliquin Golf Club from 7.00pm on Monday 21 August. The free event is being held in conjunction with Deniliquin Mental Health Awareness Group and will focus on family mental health, navigating grief and helping teens build resilience. A panel of expert speakers will share their medical, counselling and personal perspective about depression, suicide and overcoming grief. For details, contact Lourene Liebenberg on M. 0428 281 060.

### Director vacancies

Nominations have been called to fill three Shareholder Director vacancies on the Board of Murray Irrigation Limited. The vacancies arise because the company's constitution sets a director term of four years by rotation. The directors whose terms expire this year are Tim McKindlay, James Sides and Bruce Simpson. If more than three nominations are received, an election via postal ballot will be held. Appointments will be for a four-year term from the conclusion of the 2017 Annual General Meeting, currently scheduled for 16 November 2017.

Candidate nominations and any subsequent election process will be managed by CorpVote – an independent voting and electoral service provider. Written nominations must be lodged with CorpVote by 5.00pm Friday 1 September 2017. Nominations received after this deadline will not be considered. To obtain an information pack, contact Alison Bult, Murray Irrigation Secretarial Governance Officer, via T. 1300 138 265 or E. [alison.bult@murrayirrigation.com.au](mailto:alison.bult@murrayirrigation.com.au).

### Allocation update Tuesday

DPI Water's next allocation statement is due next Tuesday 15 August. Murray Irrigation will pass this information on to registered customers shortly thereafter.

To register for the announcement, select 'Allocation Announcements' in the communication settings of your *Water ordering* account login. Need assistance? call Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

### Modified channel filling procedure

Murray Irrigation has commenced channel filling at both the Mulwala and Wakool Canal offtakes. The company is conducting a modified filling procedure to allow for the completion of Private Irrigation Infrastructure Operators Program (PIIOP) Winter Works.

Customers should indicate their intentions for diverting irrigation water by placing orders in the *Water ordering* system with as much advance notice as possible. Alternatively, customers can contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265 to discuss their requirements.

With the recent rain, customers should also ensure they cancel pending water orders if no longer required.

### July inflows and weather summary

Inflows to the River Murray System during July (excluding Snowy inflows, inflows to the Menindee Lakes, managed environmental flows and inter-valley transfers) totalled just 270GL. This is significantly lower than the long-term average of 1,230GL.

Relatively dry conditions persisted over upper Murray catchments during July. This followed a very dry June. Across the Basin as a whole, the Bureau of Meteorology has reported area-averaged rain totalling 18.4mm. This is 54 percent below the long-term average and makes July 2017 the 17th driest July in 118 years of records. For NSW, it was the driest July since 2002.

### Southern Growers AGM

Southern Growers Inc. is holding its Annual General Meeting on Monday 21 August. It will be held at the Finley Recreation Reserve from 7.00pm. There are positions available on the Board. For details, contact Executive Officer Stephanie Chappell on M. 0417 444 750 or E. [southerngrowersinc@gmail.com](mailto:southerngrowersinc@gmail.com).

### Wakool landholders meeting

Wakool Landholders' Association is hosting a 'zone rep' meeting at the Wakool Club from 7.00pm on Wednesday 16 August 2017. All welcome. For full details, contact Secretary Kate Redfearn on M. 0417 112 162.

### Scott Barlow, Acting CEO

### Announced allocation

Class C General Security ..... 13 %  
Water resource distribution ..... 3 %  
(issued against Delivery Entitlements)

### Water availability and usage

(08/08/17)

Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements.....52 %  
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)  
On-Farm Balance..... 407 GL  
On-Farm Usage ..... 0 GL

### Water exchange

8.30am today

Water for Sale ..... 5,980 ML  
Price Range ..... \$139 - \$200  
Buy Offer ..... \$130  
Yesterday's Sales..... 591 ML  
Price Range ..... \$130 - \$135

**To buy water call 1300 781 431**

### Water use and trade data

01/08/17 – 07/08/17

#### Murray Water Exchange activity

Internal buyers (No. & ML)...11; 4,507ML  
External buyers (No. & ML).....1; 495ML  
Internal sellers (No. & ML).....29; 4,651ML  
External sellers (No. & ML).....2; 351ML

#### Trade to and from licence (excl. Govt.)

Net trade 2,502ML (week) -10,170ML (YTD)

#### Crop weekly water use

ML used on farm..... 0GL

### Channel flows today (ML/day)

	Actual	Capacity
Mulwala Canal	2,200	10,000
Wakool Canal	200	2,350
Escape flows	200	3,250

### Rainfall and evaporation

01/08/17 – 07/08/17 ..... Rain ..... Evap  
Finley ..... 21.8mm ..... 11.2mm  
Tullakool..... 31.0mm ..... 12.0mm

### Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Dartmouth.....3,048 GL.....79 %  
Hume.....2,345 GL.....78 %  
Lake Victoria.....440 GL.....65 %  
Menindee Lakes .....754 GL.....44 %  
Total Storage.....6,587 GL.....71 %

### Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Murray @ Doctors Point ..... 3,509 ML/d  
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir ..... 6,543 ML/d  
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge... 1,479 ML/d  
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald..... 1,099 ML/d  
Darling @ Burtundy..... 306 ML/d  
Flow to SA..... 5,373 ML/d  
Murray to the Sea ..... 48 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.*