

Talking Water

Tuesday 21 November 2017



Murray Irrigation

AGM proxies due Sunday

Murray Irrigation's 2017 Annual General Meeting will be held at the Deniliquin RSL Club from 7.30pm on Tuesday 28 November. Registrations open from 6.30pm.

Shareholders unable to attend are encouraged to appoint a proxy. Completed Proxy Forms must be received by no later than 7.30pm on Sunday 26 November (48 hours before AGM). Representatives of corporate shareholders must bring evidence of their appointment in the form of 'Form 18' - which can be found here: www.murrayirrigation.com.au/media/21553/SHA-QF018%20Authorised%20representative%20notification.pdf.

Eligibility to vote at AGM

Are you intending to vote at the AGM? Make sure all invoices up to the end of 2016/17 (excluding the current September quarter invoice) are paid by no later than 7.30pm this Saturday 25 November 2017. If paying by direct deposit or BPay, please allow sufficient time for funds to clear. For more information or assistance, contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

Interim board

The interim board of Murray Irrigation intends to take the reins of the company immediately after the closure of the company's AGM and after the resignation of the current board. Leading the creation and selection of the interim board will be directors-elect Waander van Beek and Phil Snowden who will be supported by company CEO Michael Renahan. The interim board is expected to conduct a director ballot between 1 and 28 February with a new board taking office on 1 March 2018. See last week's Board reform update: <https://goo.gl/bCRNqo>.

Allocation increases to 35 percent

NSW Crown Lands and Water (formerly DPI Water) announced on Wednesday that general security entitlements allocation for the NSW Murray had increased to 35 percent for Class C entitlement holders. See: <https://goo.gl/A1dMfj>.

Water outlook 'overly optimistic'

NSW Crown Lands and Water now says the outlook for 2017/18 water availability issued in its 15 November water allocation statement was "overly optimistic". They've reworked their modelling and the corrected information can be found here: <https://goo.gl/6WJJcB>.

PIIOP feature online

A 10-page feature on Murray Irrigation's PIIOP project appeared in Friday's Deniliquin Pastoral Times newspaper. It will also be printed in the Finley-based Southern Riverina News tomorrow. View the feature here: <https://goo.gl/MmT79Q>.

Company clearance sale

Shareholders are invited to attend a Murray Irrigation clearance sale in Blighty early next month. As PIIOP Round 2 comes to an end, any remaining stock (such as water regulating structures) will be sold to shareholders. Surplus MILCast stock will also be available for purchase. Full details, including dates and location, will be in next week's *Talking Water*.

Ventia outlet testing

Murray Irrigation contractor Ventia will undertake outlet meter testing in the Wakool and Finley areas through to 5 December.

Contractor brush cutting

Brush cutting contractors may need to access customer properties over the next few weeks as they maintain Murray Irrigation access tracks and gates. If you have any concerns, contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

Removal of early payment discount

Just a reminder that the discount for early payment of accounts is no longer available. The discount was removed earlier this year following a review of the company's fees and prices.

New direct debit facility

Pending customer interest, Murray Irrigation will soon introduce a direct debit facility to pay accounts. Contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265 to register your interest in the facility.

Contacting Murray Irrigation

A reminder that the Customer Support team is the primary point of contact for all Murray Irrigation enquiries. The team is available from 7.00am to 7.00pm every day on T. 1300 138 265.

Women in Rice network event

Rice Extension is holding a 'Women in Rice' network event at Deniliquin Golf Club from 9.30am to 1.30pm on Monday 27 November. The network focuses on sharing knowledge, building skills and growing confidence to make good farm business decisions. Register at <https://womeninrice2.eventbrite.com.au>.

Announced allocation

Class C General Security 35 %
Water resource distribution 3 %
(issued against Delivery Entitlements)

Water availability and usage

(21/11/17)
Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements.....45 %
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)
On-Farm Balance.....372 GL
On-Farm Usage242 GL

Water exchange

8.30am today
Water for Sale9,517 ML
Price Range\$127 - \$350
Buy Offer\$124
Yesterday's Sales.....1,282 ML
Price Range\$125 - \$128
To buy water call 1300 781 431

Water use and trade data

14/11/17 – 20/11/17

Murray Water Exchange activity

Internal buyers (No. & ML)...18; 2,837ML
External buyers (No. & ML)....0; 0ML
Internal sellers (No. & ML)....25; 2,444ML
External sellers (No. & ML).....2; 393ML

Trade to and from licence (excl. Govt.)

Net trade -384ML (week) -6,456ML (YTD)

Crop weekly water use

ML used on farm.....9 GL (54%
on rice)

Channel flows today (ML/day)

	Actual	Capacity
Mulwala Canal	1,399	10,000
Wakool Canal	145	2,350
Escape flows	0	3,250

Rainfall and evaporation

14/11/17 – 20/11/17 Rain Evap
Finley 11.1mm 51.4mm
Tullakool..... 63.8mm 50.9mm

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Dartmouth.....3,370 GL.....87 %
Hume.....2,334 GL.....78 %
Lake Victoria.....654 GL.....97 %
Menindee Lakes531 GL.....31 %
Total Storage.....6,889 GL.....74 %

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Murray @ Doctors Point 14,827 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir 14,705 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge....2,851 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald..... 1,891 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy..... 544 ML/d
Flow to SA..... 10,135 ML/d
Murray to the Sea 5 gates open

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