

TalkingWater

Tuesday 28 November 2017



Murray Irrigation

Annual General Meeting tonight

The Company's 2017 Annual General Meeting will be held at the Deniliquin RSL Club from 7.30pm **tonight** (Tuesday 28 November). Registrations open from 6.30pm.

Contacting Murray Irrigation

As more of Murray Irrigation's operational areas become automated, the services traditionally conducted by Channel Attendants will transition to other roles. Field Technicians are being trained to check and maintain the new outlets and regulators. They will also operate low use Dethridge outlets and keep an eye on the system.

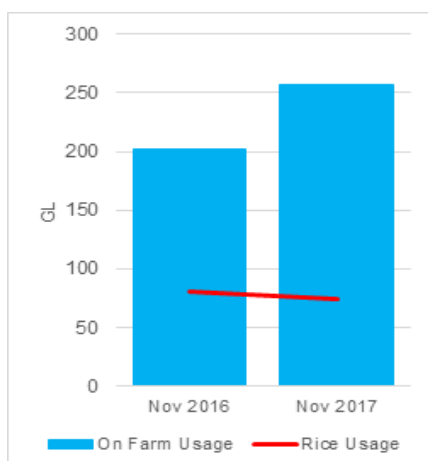
The Customer Support team is the primary point of contact for all customer enquiries, including maintenance requests. The team is available from 7.00am to 7.00pm every day on T. 1300 138 265.

Allocation update due Friday

NSW Crown Lands and Water (formerly DPI Water) will release its next water allocation statement this Friday 1 December. Subscribe directly to the announcements here: <https://goo.gl/XZ8ZAd>.

On-farm usage update

Murray Irrigation has so far delivered 257GL to customers on-farm this irrigation season, with 29 percent used on rice. This compares to 202GL delivered at this time last year (40 percent on rice). It should be noted that there was a late start to 2016/17 due to heavy rain and flooding.



Water recovery figures unveiled

The MDBA has released water recovery figures for key regions, including the Murray Irrigation area. The figures show that over 81 percent of the water recovered from Murray Irrigation has been through direct buyback, compared to just 19 percent through infrastructure and efficiency measures. The largest recovery has been from the Wakool district at almost 98GL (93 percent through buyback). The next highest has been from Berriquin with 64GL recovered, but only 64 percent of that through buyback (the rest from on-farm efficiencies).

The MDBA estimates efficiency and infrastructure recovery offsets some of the recovery through savings realised by farmers. With this in mind, they estimate the effect or net reduction of recovery from the region is 191GL compared to the actual water transfer of 260GL. For full details, visit: www.mdba.gov.au/basin-plan-roll-out/monitoring-evaluation/water-recovery-southern-basin.

Basin-wide compliance review

The MDBA has released its review into compliance matters across the Murray-Darling Basin. The review comprises two reports - one prepared by the MDBA and one by an independent panel. Most of the compliance issues identified are centred around unregulated rivers and interception or flood-plain harvesting activities and not highly regulated systems such as Murray Irrigation. The review is available here: www.mdba.gov.au/basin-plan-roll-out/basin-wide-compliance-review.

Company clearance sale next week

Shareholders are invited to attend a Murray Irrigation clearance sale in Blighty next week. As PIIOP Round 2 comes to an end, any remaining stock (such as water regulating structures) will be sold to shareholders via a silent auction. Shareholders are invited to view the products and place bids on Wednesday 6 December and Saturday 9 December. For full details, including location, see: www.murrayirrigation.com.au/special/current-activities/.

Register interest for direct debit

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

Announced allocation

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

Water availability and usage

(28/11/17)
Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements.....41 %
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)
On-Farm Balance.....342 GL
On-Farm Usage257 GL

Water exchange

8.30am today
Water for Sale 8,968 ML
Price Range \$123 - \$350
Buy Offer\$122
Yesterday's Sales..... 400 ML
Price Range \$122 - \$125
To buy water call 1300 781 431

Water use and trade data

21/11/17 - 27/11/17
Murray Water Exchange activity
Internal buyers (No. & ML)...20; 2,564ML
External buyers (No. & ML)....0; 0ML
Internal sellers (No. & ML).....14; 1,538ML
External sellers (No. & ML).....2; 1,026ML

Trade to and from licence (excl. Govt.)
Net trade 3,462ML (week) -2,994ML (YTD)

Crop weekly water use
ML used on farm..... 15 GL (61%
on rice)

Channel flows today (ML/day)

	Actual	Capacity
Mulwala Canal	2,104	10,000
Wakool Canal	677	2,350
Escape flows	0	3,250

Rainfall and evaporation

21/11/17 - 27/11/17 Rain Evap
Finley 4.1mm 66.4mm
Tullakool..... 2.0mm 64.5mm

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Dartmouth.....3,367 GL.....87 %
Hume.....2,270 GL.....76 %
Lake Victoria.....666 GL.....98 %
Menindee Lakes506 GL.....29 %
Total Storage.....6,809 GL.....73 %

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Murray @ Doctors Point 15,113 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir 12,033 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge....2,536 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald..... 562 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy..... 532 ML/d
Flow to SA..... 10,137 ML/d
Murray to the Sea 10 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.