

# Talking Water

Tuesday 20 August 2019



Murray Irrigation

## Customer Meetings

Customer meetings are being in Finley, Deniliquin and Wakool this week.

Meeting times and locations are:

- **Finley – Finley RSL** – Tuesday 20 August 12.45pm (for 1.00pm start)
- **Deniliquin – Deniliquin Golf Club** – Wednesday 21 August 9.45am (for 10.00am start)
- **Wakool – Wakool Hotel Function Room** – Wednesday 21 August 1.45pm (for 2.00pm start).

For more information including a list of representatives, [click here](#).

## Fees and Prices Schedule A update

Murray Irrigation's Board of Directors has approved a five percent (plus CPI) increase to Fees and Prices. This increase is effective as of 9 September 2019. You can view the updated [Fees and Prices Schedule A here](#).

## Farm Water Use annual survey 2019

Customers are asked to complete a short survey about their farm business irrigation programs and intended water use for this season. With another low allocation year on the horizon and with limited resources available, Murray Irrigation needs to understand where demand will be situated within the footprint to maximise efficiencies while operating in drought mode.

[Click here](#) to complete the survey. It will take approximately five minutes to finish and will give a snapshot of your current business and irrigation intentions. The survey will be accessible until 1 September 2019 and ensures we continue to meet your irrigation requirements while simultaneously operating the system efficiently.

If you need assistance with completing the survey or are experiencing technical difficulties, please call Customer Support on 1300 138 265.

## Shareholder Director elections

Nominations are being sought to fill three Shareholder Director vacancies on the Murray Irrigation Board of Directors. 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 2019 Annual General Meeting.

Written nominations must be lodged with Murray Irrigation's Returning Officer by

## 5.00pm AEST Friday 30 August 2019

and it is critical to note that nominations received after that deadline will not be considered. The address for lodgement of nominations is provided on the nomination form.

To assist potential candidates, Murray Irrigation has prepared an Information Pack that gives an overview of the responsibilities and duties of a Murray Irrigation director, a description of the Company's operations, and candidate criteria. Nomination forms are contained in the Information Pack.

To obtain an Information Pack, or for any enquiries please contact Alison Bult, Murray Irrigation's Assistant Company Secretary and Governance Officer via T. 1300 138 265 or E. [alison.bult@murrayirrigation.com.au](mailto:alison.bult@murrayirrigation.com.au)

## MDBA meet in Dubbo

The Murray-Darling Basing Authority (MDBA) met in Dubbo last week. They agreed to recommend two new water resource plans to the Minister for Water Resources for accreditation, published an independent review of the Sustainable Diversion Limit Accounting Framework, and met with local community representatives to hear community perspectives. To find more information, read the MDBA release [here](#).

## Water operations 2019/20 season

The company has enough water to deliver carryover for the coming season and will open the irrigation season in a drought mode of operation:

- channels will only be filled where orders have been placed by customers
- six days' notice will be required for water orders – this will allow channel heights to be raised to operational levels
- customers are requested to place their orders as early as possible. [Click here to place an order](#)
- customers will need to call Customer Support to arrange S&D supply.

For further information on the season's operations contact Customer Support on 1300 138 265.

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## Announced allocation

Class C General Security ..... 0%  
Water resource distribution ..... 0%  
(issued against Delivery Entitlements)

## Water availability and deliveries

(20/08/19)  
YTD deliveries ..... 528 ML  
Weekly deliveries ..... 469 ML  
Weekly crop usage ..... (96% winter crop)  
Customer account balance ..... 59,167 ML  
WE in customer accounts ..... 828,238 WE  
Vol. % remaining ..... 7 %

## Channel flows today

Wakool Offtake ..... 50 ML  
Mulwala Offtake ..... 400 ML  
Billabong Escape ..... 0 ML  
Edward River Escape ..... 0 ML  
Perricoota Escape ..... 0 ML  
Wakool River Escape ..... 0 ML

## Water trade data

Net trade week ..... 4,068 ML  
Net trade YTD ..... -3,807 ML

## Water exchange data

(20/08/19)  
Internal listings (No. & ML) ..... 5; 281 ML  
External listings (No. & ML) ..... 0; 0 ML  
Int. purchasers (No. & ML) ..... 15; 520 ML  
Ext purchasers (No. & ML) ..... 0; 0 ML

Water for sale ..... 650 ML  
Weighted average sale price ..... \$598  
Price range ..... \$599 - \$800  
Buy offer range ..... \$552 - \$550

## Rainfall and evaporation

12/08/19 – 19/08/19 (weather.csiro.au)  
..... Rain ..... Evap  
Finley ..... 2.0mm ..... 15.1mm  
Tullakool ..... 1.2mm ..... 18.5mm

## Storages\*

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)  
Dartmouth ..... 2,314 GL ↓ ..... 60 % ↓  
Hume ..... 1,239 GL ↑ ..... 41 % ↑  
Lake Victoria ..... 502 GL ↑ ..... 74 % ↑  
Menindee Lakes ..... 14 GL ↓ ..... 1 % ↓  
Total Storage ..... 4,069 GL ↑ ..... 44 % ↑

## Rivers\*

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)  
Murray @ Doctors Point ..... 5,932 ML/d  
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir ..... 8,035 ML/d  
Goulburn @ McCoy Bridge ..... 2,322 ML/d  
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald ..... 1,069 ML/d  
Darling @ Burtundy ..... 1 ML/d  
Flow to SA ..... 3,359 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.*

\*Data sourced from [Murray Darling Basin Authority](#).