

# TalkingWater

Tuesday, 18 February 2020



Murray Irrigation

## Autumn Irrigation Intentions program

We're asking customers to let us know of their watering intentions for the Autumn season so we can plan our channel and drainage program over this period.

The survey will include questions based on outlets, crop type, area, megalitres and the timing of program.

The survey should only take about five minutes to complete depending on how many outlets you intend to operate.

Please complete the survey, which can be accessed [here](#), by Wednesday, 26 February 2020.

If you need assistance completing the survey, please call Customer Operations on 1300 138 265.

## Blue-green algae alert

Warnings have been issued for high levels of blue-green algae (BGA) in Lake Mulwala, Mulwala Offtake, Mulwala Canal and the Murray River downstream from Yarrowonga to Tocumwal.

Further information can be accessed [here](#).

Hard copies of BGA facts sheets are available at the Deniliquin and Finley offices.

## Launch of Wakool Irrigation District Agri-Innovation program

Western Murray Land Improvement Group Inc is launching a two-year program designed to help farmers and agri-food entrepreneurs to innovate, diversify and value add.

Come along to the launch to find out about the program and how it can benefit you.

**When:** Tuesday, 25 February 2020, 3pm – 6pm

**Where:** Wakool Club, Wakool

**RSVP:** SMS 0417 112 162 or email [admin@wmlig.org](mailto:admin@wmlig.org)

For flyer, click [here](#).

## Customer Service Privacy

When calling Murray Irrigation our friendly frontline Customer Operations staff may ask you a few simple questions to confirm your identity.

We're required to do this by law, even if we're familiar with the person we're talking with or have spoken with them before.

Some questions may include:

- Landholders name
- Address and contact details
- Account specifics

*Note: Under the Privacy legislation, it is an offence to disclose information to any party other than the registered owner.*

## Upcoming Annual General Meeting

A reminder that the Southern Growers AGM will be held at 6.30pm this Thursday, 20 February 2020 at Finley Recreation Reserve in the Apex Building.

RSVP (or apologies) to Stephanie Chappell on 0417 444 750.

## Basin Communities Leadership Program

Applications are now open for Murray-Darling Association's Basin Communities Leadership Program.

This program aims to develop leadership capacity and create regionally driven economic development initiatives against a backdrop of changing water availability and ongoing drought.

For more info, click [here](#).

## AGL's Farmers Assist Program

Eligible farmers in drought affected areas can apply for Drought Relief Assistance and Solar Assistance as part of AGL's new \$2 million Farmers Assist program.

Find out more [here](#).

## Announced allocation

Class C General Security .....	0%
Allocation Advance.....	5%
Water resource distribution .....	2%
(issued against Delivery Entitlements)	

## Water availability and deliveries

(18/02/20)

YTD deliveries.....	216,789 ML
Customers.....	53,023 ML
DPIE Deliveries.....	11,700 ML
WaterNSW Deliveries.....	152,066 ML
Weekly Deliveries.....	7,300 ML
Weekly crop usage..	47% (Stock & Domestic)
Customer account balance.....	79,934 ML
WE in customer accounts.....	825,211 WE
Vol. % remaining .....	10%

## Channel flows today

Wakool Offtake.....	112 ML
Mulwala Offtake .....	891 ML
Billabong Escape.....	0 ML
Edward River Escape.....	400 ML
Perricoota Escape.....	100 ML
Wakool River Escape.....	0 ML

## Water trade data

Net trade week.....	783 ML
Net trade YTD.....	-16,086 ML

## Water exchange data

(17/02/20)

Internal listings (No. & ML).....	9;855 ML
External listings (No. & ML).....	0;0 ML
Int. purchasers (No. & ML).....	4;56 ML
Ext purchasers (No. & ML).....	3;63 ML

Water for sale @ 17/02/20.....	5,592 ML
Weighted average sale price.....	\$534
Price range @ 17/02/20.....	\$550 - \$800
Buy offer range @ 17/02/20.....	\$450

## Rainfall and evaporation

12/02/20 – 18/02/20 (weather.csiro.au)

.....	Rain .....	Evap .....
Finley .....	27.4mm	52.7mm
Tullakool.....	0mm	62.6mm

## Storages\*

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Dartmouth .....	1,819 GL	↓	47 %	↓
Hume .....	538 GL	↓	18 %	↓
Lake Victoria .....	249 GL	↓	41 %	↓
Menindee Lakes.....	6 GL	↓	0.3 %	↓
Total Storage.....	2,642 GL	↓	28 %	↓

## Rivers\*

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Murray @ Doctors Point .....	9,568 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir .....	7,879 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy Bridge.....	2,451 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald.....	1,423 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy.....	0 ML/d
Flow to SA.....	8,714 ML/d
Murray to the sea .....	0 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.