



Chairman update

Yesterday our Chairman, Phil Snowden, issued an update to shareholders, following a series of meetings, and the strategic board meeting held recently.

In case you missed it, you can view it [here](#).

Are you subscribed to our email list? Let us know if you would like to be, and never miss an update again.

Autumn irrigation water intentions

To understand and support Autumn irrigation programs, we are asking customers to complete a short [Autumn Irrigation Intentions Survey](#).

The survey closes on Thursday, 18 March 2021.

The information will also inform our preventative maintenance program and identify areas where restrictions may occur, to enable us to work with customers to manage these.

Shareholder Briefing

Last Wednesday, 3 March 2021, we issued a Shareholder Briefing about the Federal Government's decision to remove the Water Efficiency Program (WEP).

Murray Irrigation is pleased that a range of projects, submitted to the Government last year, could be supported by a new plan, without the need to give back water entitlements.

Details are limited at this stage however we will share further information with you as we receive it.

For the full Shareholder Briefing, click [here](#).

Did you know? All announcements and updates are on our [website](#).

Murray Irrigation forms

All of our forms are interactive, and downloadable from our [website](#) and have completion instructions on each.

However, if you need assistance completing a form, please contact us.

Rice drainage timing

This year it may be difficult to determine the optimum time for rice draining with the fluctuating temperatures.

Field walks will happen this Thursday and Friday, 11 and 12 March 2021, to help you make the best decision for you.

For details, contact John Lacy, Ag Consultant, on 0427 311 821.

Webinar – sustainability credentials

A free online event held this Friday, 12 March 2021, will discuss the benefits of incorporating sustainability credentials into your farm business.

The webinar is delivered by the NSW Government Local Land Services (LLS).

For more information, or to register, click [here](#).

Community fundraiser

The Murray Connect community hub will host a trivia night, on 25 March 2021, to raise much needed funds for the Barham Local Health Medical Trust.

For details and to register, click [here](#).

Murray Connect is an initiative of Western Murray Land Improvement Group, a recipient of Murray Irrigation's 2020/21 Sponsorship Program.

For a full list of the wonderful initiatives that Murray Irrigation was able to support through the program, click [here](#).

Last issued quarter – Two (December)

Issue date – Friday, 22 January 2021

Due date – Monday, 1 March 2021

Sustainability Product and December 2020 invoices - now overdue.

Last week's edition

- water delivery 2020/21
- ordering water
- Invoices overdue
- drainage field walk
- managing delivery risks webinar

Announced allocation

Class C General Security.....	50%
Allocation Advance.....	5%
Water resource distribution	6%
(issued against Delivery Entitlements)	

Water availability and deliveries

(09/03/2021)

YTD deliveries.....	617,533 ML
Customers.....	411,525 ML
DPIE Deliveries.....	20,941 ML
WaterNSW Deliveries.....	185,067 ML
Weekly Deliveries.....	31,272 ML
Weekly crop usage.....	31% (Rice)
Customer account balance.....	324,243 ML
WE in customer accounts.....	820,744 WE
Vol. % remaining.....	40%

Channel flows today

Wakool Offtake	786 ML
Mulwala Offtake	5,099 ML
Billabong Escape	250 ML
Edward River Escape.....	2,000 ML
Perricoota Escape.....	70 ML
Wakool River Escape.....	0 ML

Water trade data

Net trade week.....	5,834 ML
Net trade YTD.....	23,914 ML

Water exchange data

(08/03/2021)

Internal listings (No. & ML).....	25;2,395.89 ML
External listings (No. & ML).....	1;37.80 ML
Int. purchasers (No. & ML).....	46;2,807.91 ML
Ext purchasers (No. & ML).....	0;0.00 ML

Water for sale @ 08/03/21.....	6,991.12 ML
Weighted average sale price.....	\$109
Price range @ 09/03/21.....	\$110 - \$300
Buy offer range @ 09/03/21.....	\$105 - \$110

Storages*

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Dartmouth	2,444 GL	↑	63 %	–
Hume	1,499 GL	↓	50 %	↓
Lake Victoria	219 GL	↓	32 %	↓
Menindee Lakes.....	307 GL	↓	18 %	–
Total Storage.....	4,469 GL	↓	48 %	↓

Rivers*

Murray @ Doctors Point.....	16,356 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir.....	9,204 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy Bridge	1,296 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald	1,646 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy.....	288 ML/d
Flow to SA	6,481 ML/d
Murray to the sea	7 gates open

*This information is provided for general reference purposes only. We take best endeavours to ensure accuracy.

Resource links

[MDBA weekly report](#)

[NSW Water allocation statements](#)

[Rainfall and evaporation](#)

[Barmah Choke trade balance](#)