

# Talking Water

Tuesday 13 August 2013



Murray Irrigation

## Channel refilling operations

Refilling of the Mulwala and Wakool Canals is nearing completion, and diversions to lateral channels have commenced. Murray Irrigation anticipates that water will be available to all customers for delivery by Monday 19 August.

Customers who wish to order water should do so by placing an order via *WaterNow* to assist Murray Irrigation prioritise channel filling. In some cases a wait of more than four days may apply.

Customers who require stock and domestic water should contact Channel Attendants directly, as they will attend to your requirements.

Customers who are located on the Yallakool channel system are likely to experience a further wait of one week. This will allow civil construction works associated with the Pilot project infrastructure upgrade to be completed. Customers who may be affected beyond Monday 26 August will be contacted directly by Murray Irrigation.

Yallakool customers who wish to discuss this matter should contact Deniliquin Water Distribution Supervisor, Glenn McCalman, via reception on T. 1300 138 265.

## Round 4 On-Farm Irrigation Efficiency

The Australian Government has announced \$100M for Round 4 of its On-Farm Irrigation Efficiency Program. To support a Project Delivery Partner application, Murray Irrigation is holding customer workshops at the following venues:

- Tuesday 20 August - Wakool Services Club;
- Wednesday 21 August - Deniliquin Coach House Hotel;
- Thursday 22 August - Finley Bowling Club.

The workshops start at 9.30am and finish at 12.00pm. For more information, call Aimee Snowden via reception on T. 1300 138 265.

## Director vacancies

Nominations have been called to fill three Shareholder Director vacancies on the Murray Irrigation Limited Board of Directors, arising from three directors reaching the end of their current terms of office.

The nomination process and postal ballot (if required) will again be conducted by the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC). Nominations must be lodged with the AEC by **5.00pm AEST Friday 30 August 2013**. Nominations received after this deadline shall not be considered.

To obtain an Information Package, which includes a nomination form, contact Murray Irrigation Executive Assistant Alison Bult via reception on T. 1300 138 265.

## WaterNow

Murray Irrigation's new water ordering system, *WaterNow*, is now available for phone and web ordering. To access the *WaterNow* water order booklet and web ordering instruction guide, visit Murray Irrigation's website and click on the 'Water' tab.

Water Distribution staff will be available to assist customers with using *WaterNow* from 10.00am until noon every Tuesday and Thursday through to Thursday 19 September at Murray Irrigation's Deniliquin, Finley and Wakool offices.

For more information, or to obtain a hard copy of the water order booklet, please contact reception on T. 1300 138 265.

## No environmental water trade

The Commonwealth Environmental Water Office confirmed recently that it does not anticipate trading allocations in the first half of 2013-14. This is consistent with the Statement published on their website at the beginning of the season. For more information go to <http://www.environment.gov.au/ewater/management/portfolio.html>.

## Landholder Association AGMs

Local Landholder Associations will be holding their Annual General Meetings (AGM) as per below:

West Berriquin Landholders' Association, Sportsmans Arms Hotel, Deniliquin, 6.00pm, Thursday 22 August. For more information, contact James Sides on M. 0427 236 791.

Denibootea Landholders' Association, Caldwell Hall, 7.00pm, Monday 26 August. For more information, contact Alastair Starritt on M. 0429 965 357.

Denimein Landholders' Association, Pretty Pine Recreation Reserve Hall, 7.00pm, Wednesday 28 August. For more information, contact Adrian Dunmore on M. 0428 816 901.

## Allocation announcement

The NSW Office of Water is expected to make an allocation announcement this Thursday 15 August. This information will be passed on to customers as soon as we are able that day.

Anthony Couroupis, General Manager

## Announced allocation

Class C General Security .....	46 %
Class B High Security .....	97 %
Class A Town Water .....	100 %
Water Efficiency Allocation .....	0 %

## Water availability & usage

(13/08/13)	
Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements .....	57%
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)	
On-Farm Balance .....	485 GL
On-Farm Usage .....	0 GL
Comprising:	
On-Allocation Usage .....	0 GL
Off-Allocation Usage .....	0 GL

## Water exchange

8.30am today	
Water for Sale .....	2,620 ML
Price Range .....	\$54 - \$60
Buy Offer .....	\$49
Last 10 Sales .....	1,123 ML
Price Range .....	\$49 - \$56
<b>To buy water call 1300 781 431</b>	

## Channel flows

Today	
Mulwala Canal .....	2,600 ML/day
Capacity .....	10,000 ML/day
Wakool Canal .....	300 ML/day
Capacity .....	2,350 ML/day
Total Escape Flows .....	0 ML/day

## Rainfall & evaporation

30/07/13 - 13/08/13 .....	Rain .....	Evap .....
Finley .....	N/A .....	N/A .....
Tullakool .....	N/A .....	N/A .....

## Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)		
Dartmouth .....	3,761 GL .....	98 %
Hume .....	2,672 GL .....	89 %
Lake Victoria .....	601 GL .....	89 %
Menindee Lakes .....	1,246 GL .....	72 %
Active Storage .....	8,280 GL .....	89 %

## Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)	
Murray @ Jingellic .....	16,007 ML/d
Mitta Mitta @ Tallandoon .....	7,159 ML/d
Murray @ Doctors Point .....	9,595 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir .....	30,094 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge .....	9,117 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald .....	2,684 ML/d
Darling @ Wilcannia .....	1,394 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy .....	322 ML/d
Flow to SA .....	8,135 ML/d
Murray @ Murray Bridge .....	0.75 m
Murray to the Sea .....	35 gates open

**Tune into 'On The Land' every  
Tuesday from 6.45am on 1521  
2QN.**