

TalkingWater

Tuesday 27 August 2013



Murray Irrigation

Updated fees and prices

Murray Irrigation mailed an updated 2013/14 Fees and Prices Schedule to all customers last week. The revised Fees and Prices Schedule is effective from 12 September 2013.

The **only change** is to reduce the Class C (general security) Water entitlements fee to \$3.83 (down from \$3.97). This change directly reflects changes to NSW Government fees.

PIIOP customer meetings

As part of Murray Irrigation's Private Irrigation Infrastructure Operators Program (PIIOP) rollout, Division 5, 7 and 9 customers have been invited to attend an information session:

- Jerilderie Civic Hall – Tuesday 3 September, 10.00am to 11.00am;
- Blighty Recreation Reserve – Wednesday 4 September, 10.00am to 11.00am;
- Finley RS Club – Wednesday 4 September, 12.30pm to 1.30pm.

These meetings are an important opportunity for customers to ask questions about the proposed changes to their channel and outlets' operations. For more information, contact 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. Nominations must be lodged with the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) by 5.00pm AEST **this Friday 30 August**. To obtain an Information Package, which includes a nomination form, contact Murray Irrigation Executive Assistant Alison Bult via reception on T. 1300 138 265.

Assistance with WaterNow

For assistance with using Murray Irrigation's new water ordering system, *WaterNow*, please call into any Murray Irrigation office between 10.00am and 12.00pm on Tuesdays or Thursdays. No appointment is necessary.

Single login for online functions

Customers can now access both online water trading functions **and** web ordering using the Murray Irrigation website. Enter your seven digit customer number and PIN at the top right-hand corner of Murray Irrigation's home page. All online functions can now be accessed from this single login.

Placing orders via WaterNow

Customers placing orders for water delivery may notice that the volume ordered is immediately debited from their available

account balance. This new feature provides customers with advance notice that they may be required to transfer water to their account to avoid their outlet being finished. It will however, not prevent an otherwise valid order from being successfully placed.

Murray Irrigation is presently seeking to have this feature turned **off** for off-allocation events, such as we are experiencing now. Any allocation debited from an account during an off-allocation event will be returned to the account on a weekly basis (usually by COB Wednesday, after a Monday meter reading).

Murray Water Exchange

Murray Irrigation is expanding its Water Exchange. The objective is to increase the volume of water available to our customers. The first stage of this expansion is to open the Exchange to South Australian water allocation holders. Further updates will be provided as the project progresses.

Round 4 On-Farm Irrigation Efficiency

To be part of Murray Irrigation's Delivery Partner application customers must submit an Expression of Interest form by **5.00pm Friday 20 September**. To assist landholders complete their forms, staff will be available at Murray Irrigation offices between 10.00am and 4.00pm on the following dates:

- Wakool - Wednesday 4 September;
- Deniliquin - Thursday 5 September;
- Finley - Friday 6 September.

For further enquiries, contact Aimee Snowden, via reception on T. 1300 138 265.

Denimein Landholders' AGM

Denimein Landholders' Association is holding its AGM at the Pretty Pine Rec Reserve from 7.00pm this Wednesday 28 August. For more information, contact Adrian Dunmore on M. 0428 816 901.

Rice pre-season meetings

Annual rice pre-season meetings are as follows:

- Wakool Services Club, Tuesday 27 August, 6.30pm;
- Deniliquin RSL Club, Wednesday 28 August, 9.15am;
- Finley RS Club, Wednesday 28 August, 1.30pm.

For more information, contact Andrew Bomm T. 02 6953 0433.

Anthony Couroupis
General Manager

Announced allocation

Class C General Security	57 %
Class B High Security	97 %
Class A Town Water	100 %
Water Efficiency Allocation	0 %

Water availability & usage

(27/08/13)	
Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements	66 %
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)	
On-Farm Balance	570 GL
On-Farm Usage	9 GL
Comprising:	
On-Allocation Usage	0 GL
Off-Allocation Usage	9 GL

Water exchange

8.30am today	
Water for Sale	2,776 ML
Price Range	\$58 - \$60
Buy Offer	\$53
Last 10 Sales	2,668 ML
Price Range	\$55 - \$57

To buy water call 1300 781 431

Channel flows

Today	
Mulwala Canal	1,900 ML/day
Capacity	10,000 ML/day
Wakool Canal	800 ML/day
Capacity	2,350 ML/day
Total Escape Flows	0 ML/day

Rainfall & evaporation

13/08/13 – 27/08/13	Rain	Evap
Finley	9.7mm	30.7mm
Tullakool	6.6mm	31.7mm

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)		
Dartmouth	3,797 GL	98 %
Hume	2,865 GL	95 %
Lake Victoria	579 GL	86 %
Menindee Lakes	1,226 GL	71 %
Active Storage	8,467 GL	91 %

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)	
Murray @ Jingellic	18,373 ML/d
Mitta Mitta @ Tallandoo	9,781 ML/d
Murray @ Doctors Point	15,280 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir	44,009 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge	5,434 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald	1,451 ML/d
Darling @ Wilcannia	1,330 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy	N/A
Flow to SA	15,039 ML/d
Murray @ Murray Bridge	0.82 m
Murray to the Sea	62 gates open

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Tuesday from 6.45am on 1521
2QN.**