

TalkingWater

Tuesday 19 November 2013



Murray Irrigation

Murray Irrigation AGM this Thursday

Murray Irrigation's 2013 Annual General Meeting will be held at the Deniliquin RSL Club from 10.30am **this Thursday 21 November**. Registration is open from **10am**. For more information contact reception on T. 1300 138 265. Our 2013 Annual Report is available from the 'Corporate' section of our website: www.murrayirrigation.com.au.

System outages

Murray Irrigation has experienced technical faults that have resulted in several outages in the last week to a variety of systems, including water ordering. We apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused customers and are working to prevent further recurrences.

Murray Water Exchange

Associated with its Murray Water Exchange initiative, Murray Irrigation has commenced production of a water market newsletter. The newsletter, that targets South Australian sellers, is available at <http://www.murraywaterexchange.com.au/market-review-1-15-november-2013/>. It provides a fortnightly summary of water market activities. Customers interested can register on the Murray Water Exchange website: www.murraywaterexchange.com.au.

Water Exchange

There has also been keen interest expressed by many customers in the price paid for allocation over the weekend on the Water Exchange. The Exchange is operated in accordance with its Rules for the transparent, secure and timely exchange of allocation. The trades that took place over the weekend complied with these Rules, as have all trades. The Exchange Rules are available from our website www.murrayirrigation.com.au.

National Irrigators' Council AGM

Murray Irrigation Director Tim McKindlay was elected Deputy Chair of the National Irrigators' Council (NIC) in Canberra last week. NIC also held a workshop to identify key policy issues that will form the basis of NIC's future work plan.

Positions vacant

Murray Irrigation is currently advertising to fill two positions. Applications are invited for a **SCADA Technician** which will be

involved in the rollout and maintenance of remote controlled and automated infrastructure. Closing date for applications is 5.00pm Wednesday 27 November.

Our MILCast operation has also been expanded to meet rising demand and has a newly created position of **Accounts Support Officer**. This is a full time fixed term position to provide accounts and sales support. Closing date for applications is 5.00pm Wednesday 4 December.

For more details on the above positions, please visit Murray Irrigation's website: www.murrayirrigation.com.au or call reception on T. 1300 138 265.

Finley office restructure

Murray Irrigation last week implemented a restructure of our Finley Office services. The MILCast Accounts Support Officer position has been created to improve customer service. As a consequence of the creation of this position, and the recent appointment of a Finley Water Trade Officer, the position of Finley Receptionist has been made redundant. Interim arrangements are in place to ensure continuity of customer service from Finley.

Positive water balance

Customers are reminded to ensure their landholdings have positive water balances. Murray Irrigation staff will endeavour to contact customers before they run out of water, but this is not always possible. Once contacted by staff, customers need to transfer water or risk having their outlet switched off and then wait up to four days for it to re-start. For more information, contact reception on T. 1300 138 265.

PIIOP customer meetings

Division 4 and 6 customers have been mailed an invitation to attend a Private Irrigation Infrastructure Operators Program (PIIOP) rollout information session next week. Details are as follows:

- Division 6 - Logie Brae Hall, Monday 25 November, from 8.30am;
- Division 4 - Jerilderie Civic Hall, Tuesday 26 November, from 8.30am.

For more information, contact reception on T. 1300 138 265.

Anthony Couroupis,
General Manager

Announced allocation

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

Water availability and usage

(19/11/13)

Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements.....	82 %
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)	
On-Farm Balance	695 GL
On-Farm Usage	302 GL
Comprising:	
On-Allocation Usage	214 GL
Off-Allocation Usage	88 GL

Water exchange

8.30am today

Water for Sale	5,380 ML
Price Range	\$93 - \$200
Buy Offer	\$68
Last 10 Sales	1,211 ML
Price Range	\$90 - \$118
To buy water call 1300 781 431	

Channel flows

Today

Mulwala Canal	2,450 ML/day
Capacity	10,000 ML/day
Wakool Canal	800 ML/day
Capacity	2,350 ML/day
Total Escape Flows	0 ML/day

Rainfall and evaporation

12/11/13 - 19/11/13	Rain	Evap
Finley	27.1mm	38.1mm
Tullakool	5.4mm	42.7mm

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Dartmouth	3,802 GL	99 %
Hume	2,535 GL	84 %
Lake Victoria	625 GL	92 %
Menindee Lakes	987 GL	57 %
Active Storage	7,949 GL	86 %

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Murray @ Jingellic	5,082 ML/d
Mitta Mitta @ Tallandoon	3,540 ML/d
Murray @ Doctors Point	21,048 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir	14,842 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge	4,271 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald	1,197 ML/d
Darling @ Wilcannia	333 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy	N/A
Flow to SA	12,677 ML/d
Murray @ Murray Bridge	0.72 m
Murray to the Sea	15 gates open

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