

TalkingWater

Tuesday 26 November 2013



Murray Irrigation

High level of service changeover

Customers on the Mulwala and Berrigan Canals who had their outlets upgraded as part of Murray Irrigation's Early Works program will have access to the company's high level of irrigation service (HLOS) effective 6.30am tomorrow, Wednesday 27 November. Customers benefitted by the change will receive a letter this week.

Murray Irrigation will make the changeover between 1.00pm and 5.00pm this afternoon. Customers on the Mulwala and Berrigan Canals who had their outlets upgraded as part of Murray Irrigation's Early Works program should avoid placing water orders between 1.00pm and 5.00pm today. For more information, or assistance, contact reception on T. 1300 138 265.

Position vacant - Finance Manager

Murray Irrigation is currently advertising to fill its vacant Finance Manager position. Reporting to the General Manager, the successful candidate will assume management responsibility for the company's accounting and finance functions. For more details on the above position, please visit the 'Corporate' then 'Jobs and tenders' section of Murray Irrigation's website:

www.murrayirrigation.com.au. The link is titled 'Commercial Manager'.

Quarterly invoices

Payment of first quarter tax invoices is due by **5.00pm this Friday 29 November**. Customers are reminded that to be eligible for the 10 percent discount, all outstanding accounts must be paid. For details contact Finance, via reception, on T. 1300 138 265.

Water trade this season

There has been consistent temporary water trade into and out of Murray Irrigation (excluding Government) this season, resulting in net trade out, to date of 5GL. This is made up of trade both through Murray Irrigation's Exchange, and via brokers or private arrangements.

Murray Irrigation AGM

Murray Irrigation's 2013 Annual General Meeting was held at the Deniliquin RSL Club on Thursday 21 November. A copy of the presentation made at the AGM is available via the 'Current activities' of our website www.murrayirrigation.com.au.

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

Chairman and Deputy Chairman

Following the AGM, the Board conducted elections for the positions of Chairman and Deputy Chairman. Bruce Simpson was elected as Chairman, with Michael Hughes elected Deputy Chairman.

Water efficiency allocation

The Board has agreed to a water efficiency allocation of six percent of permanent delivery entitlements for all irrigation customers, excluding Class A (Town Water Supply) and domestic water supply agreement customers.

Murrumbidgee temporary trade close extended

The NSW Office of Water (NOW) has announced an extension to the closing dates for General Security temporary trade to 31 May for inter-valley trade and 30 April for inter-state trade for the Murrumbidgee valley. Water Commissioner David Harriss said changes to the Murrumbidgee Regulated River Water Sharing Plan will make the Murrumbidgee valley trade closing dates consistent with other regulated rivers in the southern Basin. Trade for high security intra-valley trades closed on 1 September with no changes proposed until the next water year (2013-14). For more information, visit the NOW website: www.water.nsw.gov.au/.

Edward-Wakool Fish Forum

The Murray Catchment Management Authority (Murray CMA) is holding a fish forum to showcase projects in the Edward-Wakool system this week. The forum will be held at the Deniliquin RSL Club from 6.30pm on Thursday 28 November. For more information, contact Murray CMA Senior Land Services Officer Anthony Conallin on M. 0428 105 889.

West Berriquin Irrigators' meeting

West Berriquin Irrigators' Council is holding a short extraordinary meeting at the Sportsmans Arms Hotel in Victoria Street, Deniliquin from 7.30pm this Thursday 28 November. For more information, contact James Sides on M. 0427 236 791.

Anthony Couroupis, General Manager

Announced allocation

Class C General Security	100 %
Class B High Security	100 %
Class A Town Water	100 %
Water Efficiency Allocation	6 %

Water availability and usage

(26/11/13)

Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements.....	80 %
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)	
On-Farm Balance	682 GL
On-Farm Usage	324 GL
Comprising:	
On-Allocation Usage	236 GL
Off-Allocation Usage	88 GL

Water exchange

8.30am today

Water for Sale	12,661 ML
Price Range	\$87 - \$200
Buy Offer	\$78
Last 10 Sales	641 ML
Price Range	\$78 - \$89

To buy water call 1300 781 431

Channel flows

Today

Mulwala Canal.....	3,950 ML/day
Capacity	10,000 ML/day
Wakool Canal.....	1,000 ML/day
Capacity	2,350 ML/day
Total Escape Flows	270 ML/day

Rainfall and evaporation

19/11/13 - 26/11/13	Rain	Evap
Finley	3.3mm	51.4mm
Tullakool.....	0.2mm	55.8mm

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Dartmouth.....	3,785 GL.....	98 %
Hume.....	2,430 GL.....	81 %
Lake Victoria.....	600 GL.....	89 %
Menindee Lakes	945 GL.....	55 %
Active Storage.....	7,760 GL.....	84 %

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Murray @ Jingellic	2,350 ML/d
Mitta Mitta @ Tallandoon.....	1,717 ML/d
Murray @ Doctors Point	19,270 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir	15,106 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge....	3,800 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald.....	1,062 ML/d
Darling @ Wilcannia.....	58 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy	201 ML/d
Flow to SA.....	12,118 ML/d
Murray @ Murray Bridge	0.67 m
Murray to the Sea	N/A

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