



## Channel refilling operations

Murray Irrigation intends to open the Mulwala Canal offtake on Monday 27 July and the Wakool Main Canal offtake on Monday 3 August for channel filling purposes. We will be performing a modified filling procedure which will mean a longer filling period than normal. If customer demand were to increase, or supplementary water access was announced, Murray Irrigation would be in a good position to accelerate channel filling.

Customers are requested to indicate their intentions for diverting irrigation water by placing orders in the *Water ordering* system with as much advance notice as possible. For more information, contact reception on T. 1300 138 265.

## Water trade workshop

Rice Extension and the Ricegrowers' Association of Australia (RGA) are hosting a water trade workshop at the Deniliquin RSL Club from 9.00am this Thursday 23 July. The workshop will cover options for trading water in the 2015/16 irrigation season.

Topics will include:

- Review of water trade on the Murray Water Exchange;
- Water trade rules and water broker compliance;
- How allocations are made and sources of water for Murray Irrigation customers;
- The outlook for 2015/16;
- Trading water; and
- An online tool for water budgeting and gross margin analysis.

DPI Water will also provide an allocation update.

RSVPs are essential. Contact RGA Environmental Projects Manager Neil Bull on M. 0428 603 557.

## Berriquin Irrigators meeting

There will be a Berriquin Irrigators' Council meeting held at the Finley RS Club from 7.00pm on Thursday 30 July. The meeting will be attended by Murray Irrigation Chairman Bruce Simpson and CEO Michael Renehan. The Chairman and CEO from NSW Irrigators' Council will also be in attendance. For further information, contact Graeme Pyle on M. 0427 852 532.

## Connectivity night seminar

Southern Growers is presenting a seminar on extending your current mobile service, broadening the existing NBN network and connecting your farm from 7.00pm on Wednesday 29 July at the Finley Apex Sport and Community Centre. Ian Ware of APA Sounds, Cooma, has been engaged to share his skills, tips and tricks for reliable internet service.

## Bitterns in rice presentations

Ricegrowers' Association of Australia are holding three regional bitterns in rice presentations next week. Times, dates and venues are as follows:

- Tuesday 28 July - Finley RS Club, 5.30pm;
- Wednesday 29 July - Barham Golf Club, 4.30pm;
- Thursday 30 July - Deniliquin RSL Club, 5.30pm.

For more information, contact Neil Bull on M. 0428 603 557.

## Farm management workshops

Rice Extension is running two practical farm business management workshops next week. The workshops will focus on understanding your tax return, what key information and financial ratios can be extracted from these to assist you with business decisions and getting better financial deals. The workshops will be held at Blighty Recreation Reserve on Wednesday 29 July and Moulamein Bowling Club on Thursday 30 July, from 9.00am to 3.30pm both days. RSVPs are essential. Contact Troy Mauger on M. 0417 375 168 by Friday 24 July.

## Young farmers tour

Southern Growers is organising a three day tour to the Murrumbidgee Valley from 3 August to 5 August. The tour is specifically designed for young farmers to look at a diverse and productive range of farm enterprises. Numbers are limited. For further information, or to reserve a seat, contact Southern Growers Farm Systems Committee Chair, Phil Snowden, on M. 0427 839 217.

## Denimein Fire Brigade AGM

Denimein Fire Brigade is holding its Annual General Meeting at the Pretty Pine Hall from 7.00pm tomorrow, Wednesday 22 July. For more information, contact Darren Manzin on T. 03 5882 3528.

**Michael Renehan, CEO**

## Announced allocation

Class C General Security ..... 0 %  
Water Efficiency Allocation ..... 0 %  
(Efficiency Allocation on Delivery Entitlements)

## Water availability and usage

(21/07/15)

Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements..... 17 %  
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)  
On-Farm Balance..... 143 GL  
On-Farm Usage ..... 0 GL

## Water exchange

8.30am today

Water for Sale ..... 2,923 ML  
Price Range ..... \$200 - \$482  
Buy Offer..... \$160  
Yesterday's Sales..... 0 ML  
Price Range ..... N/A

**To buy water call 1300 781 431**

## Water use and trade data

14/07/15 – 20/07/15

### Murray Water Exchange activity

Internal buyers (No. & ML).....4; 270ML  
External buyers (No. & ML)..... 0; 0ML  
Internal sellers (No. & ML)..... 2; 270ML  
External sellers (No. & ML)..... 0; 0ML

### Trade to and from licence (excl. Govt.)

Net trade.....5,429ML(week).....5,300ML(YTD)

### Crop weekly water use

ML used on farm..... 0ML

## Channel flows today (ML/day)

	Actual	Capacity
Mulwala Canal	0	10,000
Wakool Canal	0	2,350
Escape flows	0	3,250

## Rainfall and evaporation

14/07/15 – 20/07/15 ..... Rain ..... Evap  
Finley ..... 4.5mm ..... 9.2mm  
Tullakool..... 3.0mm ..... 9.3mm

## Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Dartmouth.....2,782 GL.....72 %  
Hume.....1,083 GL.....36 %  
Lake Victoria.....455 GL.....67 %  
Menindee Lakes .....94 GL.....5 %  
Active Storage.....4,414 GL.....48 %

## Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Murray @ Doctors Point ..... 5,552 ML/d  
Murray d/s Yarra Weir ..... 5,252 ML/d  
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge ..... 728 ML/d  
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald..... 1,216 ML/d  
Darling @ Burtundy..... N/A  
Flow to SA..... 8,132 ML/d  
Murray to the Sea ..... 0 gates open

**Our 'On The Land' radio program is currently on hold until the end of July.**