



SAFETY FIRST

Beware of flood water

Every year people are hurt, or killed, trying to cross or play in flooded waterways. It can happen anywhere - roads, creeks, dams, parks or backyards. Dangers can include:

- strong currents;
- hidden pits, drains and cavities;
- snakes and other animals;
- drifting debris, sewage, chemicals and sharp objects.

Avoid floodwater where possible and educate children about its dangers.

Allocation announcement

DPI Water announced on Monday a **one percent** increase in general security entitlements allocation. As a result, Murray Irrigation's allocation is now **13 percent** for general security (Class C) entitlement holders. This assessment does not include any rainfall across the region on the weekend of 31 October.

The next allocation update for the NSW Murray will be on Monday 16 November. It will include more detailed information, including comparison with last year. The next seasonal outlook, including probability table and rocket diagram will be provided on Tuesday 15 December.

The latest DPI Water announcement is available in the 'Water Resources Updates' section of the Murray Irrigation website: www.murrayirrigation.com.au. For customers interested in Murrumbidgee allocations, the announcement is available under 'media releases' on the DPI website www.water.nsw.gov.au.

CEWH trade

The Commonwealth Environmental Water Office tender for 20GL of Goulburn Valley allocation closed at 3.00pm on Wednesday 28 October. All bidders, whether successful or not, will be notified by 10 November at the latest. If customers lodged a tender and have not heard by this date, they are asked to call T. 1800 803 772. The CEWH will publish information about the total trade volume and average price within 30 days of the registration of the last trade.

First quarter invoices

First quarter invoices were sent to customers last week with payment due by 5.00pm Friday 27 November. Customers are reminded that Murray Irrigation's new debt management procedure has been implemented. Customers should also note that the discount for on-time payments is now five percent and applicable only to Murray Irrigation charges, not government charge recoveries. If you did not receive an invoice, or if you are having difficulty paying your account, contact our Finance department on T. 1300 138 265.

Women in Water seminar

The inaugural Women in Water night out will be held at the Blighty Hall from 5.30pm on Wednesday 11 November. Local ladies are invited to enjoy the informal, relaxed session to learn more about the water industry. There will be guest speakers from the MDBA, Department of Primary Industries, Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder and Murray Irrigation. Entry is free and includes sparkling wine and canapes, followed by dinner. Please register your attendance for catering purposes – E. hpurbrick@tahbilk.com.au, M. 0408 129 782 (Hayley Purbrick) or visit www.womeninwater.eventbrite.com.

Southern Riverina Irrigators AGM

Southern Riverina Irrigators held their Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Deniliquin last week. Graeme Pyle was elected Chairman with Alastair Starritt Vice Chair, Shelley Scoullar Junior Vice Chair and Josh Small Treasurer. It's great to see the younger generation stepping up and Graeme taking on the Chairman's role.

Car pool for Senate Inquiry

The next public hearing for the Senate Inquiry into the impacts of the Basin Plan are being held at the Mercure Port of Echuca Hotel tomorrow, Thursday 5 November from 9.00am. The hearing goes until 4.30pm and is to include presentations from Wakool Landholders Association, Murray Valley Private Diverters and Southern Riverina Irrigators. The 'Speak Up' movement is organising a car pool for those interested in attending the hearing. Those wishing to attend from Deniliquin should meet in Edwardes St (opposite the Skate Park) at 7.45am. There will also be a bus departing from Brooks Grain, Barooga at 7.30am. Contact Carly Brooks on M. 0407 305 900 to confirm a seat.

Michael Renehan, CEO

Announced allocation

Class C General Security 13 %
Water Efficiency Allocation 3 %
(Efficiency Allocation on Delivery Entitlements)

Water availability and usage

(04/11/15)
Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements.....23 %
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)
On-Farm Balance..... 193 GL
On-Farm Usage 121 GL

Water exchange

8.30am today
Water for Sale 4,772 ML
Price Range \$266 - \$1,000
Buy Offer..... \$245
Yesterday's Sales..... 150 ML
Price Range \$250 - \$273
To buy water call 1300 781 431

Water use and trade data

28/10/15 – 03/11/15
Murray Water Exchange activity
Internal buyers (No. & ML).....9; 1,046ML
External buyers (No. & ML).....2; 567ML
Internal sellers (No. & ML)..... 26; 1,613ML
External sellers (No. & ML)..... 0; 0ML

Trade to and from licence (excl. Govt.)

Net trade...-5,293ML(week)...30,585ML(YTD)

Crop weekly water use

ML used on farm.....6 GL (62% on winter crops)

Channel flows today (ML/day)

	Actual	Capacity
Mulwala Canal	340	10,000
Wakool Canal	127	2,350
Escape flows	190	3,250

Rainfall and evaporation

28/10/15 – 03/11/15 Rain Evap
Finley 34.7mm 40.1mm
Tullakool..... 6.4mm 48.2mm

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Dartmouth.....2,343 GL......61 %
Hume.....1,346 GL......45 %
Lake Victoria.....545 GL......81 %
Menindee Lakes85 GL......5 %
Active Storage.....4,319 GL......47 %

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Murray @ Doctors Point 7,476 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir 11,423 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge666 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald..... 1,377 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy..... N/A
Flow to SA..... 9,581 ML/d
Murray to the Sea 5 gates open