

Talking Water

Tuesday 11 October 2016



Murray Irrigation

SAFETY FIRST

BoM flood warnings

The Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) provides flood forecasting and warning services for most major rivers in Australia. Visit: www.bom.gov.au/water/floods/floodWarningServices.shtml.

SES FloodSafe website

The NSW State Emergency Service (SES) has a new dedicated FloodSafe website for everything you need to know about flood safety. Visit: www.floodsafe.com.au.

Early warning service

Community members can also register with the WaterNSW Early Warning Network (EWN) service: www.watarnsw.com.au/about/ewn.

Murray Irrigation operations

For information about the operation and maintenance of Murray Irrigation infrastructure during high flow events, contact Murray Irrigation's Customer Support team on T. 1300 138 265.

Allocation update due Monday

Murray Irrigation will pass on DPI Water's next water allocation statement due Monday 17 October. The statement will contain additional information including an update of seasonal outlooks.

Off allocation water access extended

WaterNSW last week extended supplementary water access at both the Mulwala and Wakool Canal offtakes until this Thursday 13 October. An extension past Thursday is likely. Customers who wish to access supplementary water should order via the *Water ordering* system, or contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

Wettest September on record

September 2016 was the wettest September on record in the Murray-Darling Basin. The Bureau of Meteorology reported area-average rainfall of 118.5mm, 249 percent above the long-term monthly mean and well above the previous record set in 1906. The very wet September follows above average rain every month since May that have flipped conditions across much of the Basin from drought to flood.

September inflows

River Murray System inflows (excluding Snowy Scheme, Darling River and managed environmental inflows) totalled almost 3,000GL this month, close to double the long-term average of around 1,600GL. Historically this total has only been exceeded in 11 percent of years and is slightly more than the last very wet September in 2010. For full details, see the MDBA's 5 October weekly report, via: www.mdba.gov.au/river-information/weekly-reports.

Berriquin IC meeting tonight

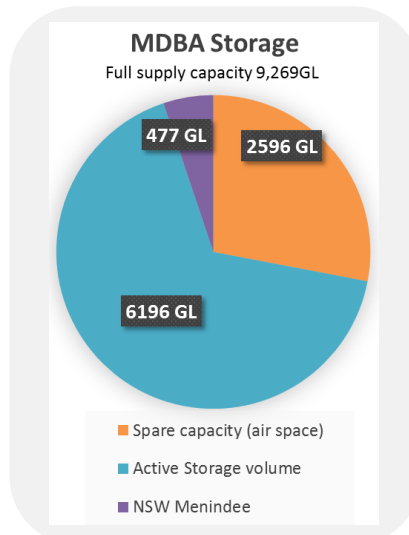
Berriquin Irrigators' Council is holding a meeting at the Finley RS Club from 7.00pm **tonight**, Tuesday 11 October. For further information, contact Louis Kelly on M. 0447 787 929.

Deniboota landholders' AGM

Deniboota Landholders' Association is holding its Annual General Meeting at the Caldwell Hall from 7.30pm this Thursday 13 October. For more information, contact Alastair Starritt on M. 0429 965 357.

Winter crop field day

Southern Growers is hosting a Winter Crop Field Day on Thursday 27 October commencing at 9.00am with national variety trials at Mayrung, followed by canola agronomy at Finley from 11am (including lunch at 1.30pm) and from 2.30pm at the wheat agronomy site. For full details or to RSVP, contact Stephanie Chappell on M. 0417 444 750 or E. southern growersinc@gmail.com.



Michael Renehan, CEO

Announced allocation

Class C General Security 53 %
Water Efficiency Allocation 0 %
(Efficiency Allocation on Delivery Entitlements)

Water availability and usage

(11/10/16)
Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements..... 66 %
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)
On-Farm Balance..... 522 GL
On-Farm Usage 23 GL

Water exchange

8.30am today
Water for Sale 6,608 ML
Price Range \$68 - \$250
Buy Offer \$58
Yesterday's Sales..... 0 ML
Price N/A
To buy water call 1300 781 431

Water use and trade data

04/10/16 – 10/10/16
Murray Water Exchange activity
Internal buyers (No. & ML).....8; 2,424ML
External buyers (No. & ML).....0; 0ML
Internal sellers (No. & ML).....15; 2,424ML
External sellers (No. & ML).....0; 0ML

Trade to and from licence (excl. Govt.)
Net trade...1,692ML(week)...-20,827ML(YTD)

Crop weekly water use
ML used on farm.....660ML

Channel flows today (ML/day)

	Actual	Capacity
Mulwala Canal	138	10,000
Wakool Canal	245	2,350
Escape flows	0	3,250

Rainfall and evaporation

04/10/16 – 10/10/16 Rain Evap
Finley 13.4mm 23.4mm
Tullakool..... 7.6mm 28.5mm

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Dartmouth.....2,716 GL.....70 %
Hume.....2,938 GL.....98 %
Lake Victoria.....542 GL.....80 %
Menindee Lakes477 GL.....28 %
Active Storage.....6,196 GL.....67 %

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Murray @ Doctors Point 60,576 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir 129,671 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge .40,870 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald..... 10,214 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy..... 1,067 ML/d
Flow to SA..... 42,315 ML/d
Murray to the Sea 150 gates open

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