

Talking Water

Tuesday 8 November 2016



Murray Irrigation

SAFETY FIRST

Quad bike safety

Since 2001 there have been more than 220 deaths across Australia involving quad bikes on farms. In order to reduce tragedies and injuries on farms, SafeWork NSW has developed a Quad Bike Safety Improvement Program.

The program is designed to offer direct support to NSW farmers to undertake harm prevention activities associated with the use of quad bikes in rural workplaces.

For full details, visit:

www.safework.nsw.gov.au/health-and-safety/safety-topics-a-z/quad-bikes.

Water offer over-subscribed

Murray Irrigation's 2016/17 company water offer has seen shareholders apply for well over the 12GL offered. The company received a large number of applications for a wide range of volumes.

Due to the offer being over-subscribed, Murray Irrigation distributed the available volume (12GL) to ensure equity in line with the principle of shareholder benefit, smoothing the outliers and ensuring all participants received a material volume. Applicants were informed of their awarded volumes on Friday afternoon. For more information or assistance, contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

Allocation update due Tuesday

DPI Water's next water allocation statement is due Tuesday 15 November. Murray Irrigation will pass this information on to customers who have registered to receive *Allocation announcements* as soon as possible.

John Bradford new NSWIC Director

Murray Irrigation Director, John Bradford, was elected to the Board of the NSW Irrigators' Council (NSWIC) at the annual general meeting held in Sydney last week. There were five nominations for three Board vacancies. On behalf of the company and its shareholders, I congratulate Mr Bradford on his appointment and also thank outgoing NSWIC Director and Murray Irrigation Corporate Affairs and Stakeholder Engagement Manager, Perin Davey, for her time and dedication to the council.

Murray Irrigation AGM

Murray Irrigation's 2016 Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held from 7.00pm on Thursday 17 November at the Deniliquin Golf Club. Shareholders unable to attend are encouraged to appoint a proxy. Proxy forms are available via: www.murrayirrigation.com.au/corporate/annual-reports/. Completed Proxy Forms must be received by no later than 7.00pm Tuesday 15 November 2016. To be eligible to vote at the AGM, all invoices up to the end of 2015/16 (excluding the current September quarter invoice) must be paid no later than 7.00pm on Monday 14 November 2016.

Customer Support

As announced in July, Murray Irrigation has established a new structure to improve the way we service our customers' needs. Customer Support staff are available in all three Customer Centres (Deniliquin, Finley and Wakool) to assist customers with their business requirements. Phone support is also available from 7.00am to 7.00pm (during irrigation season). For more information, contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

Denimein AGM this Thursday

Denimein Landholders' Association is holding its Annual General Meeting at the Pretty Pine Hotel from 7.00pm this Thursday 10 November. For more information, contact Chair, Josh Small, on M. 0427 889 367.

Boxthorn and burr field day

A boxthorn and galvanized burr field day is being held from 10.00am this Friday 11 November. It will be held at property 'Oakville' on Mabin's Well Road, Conargo. The day will include information on the latest machinery and techniques to control African boxthorn and galvanized burr. For more information, contact Jim Parrett on M. 0428 609 835 or Colin Bull on M. 0427 512 537.

Women in Water event

The annual Women in Water event, hosted by The Riverina Collective, will be held at the Deniliquin RSL Club from 5.30pm next Tuesday 15 November. All women are invited to attend and learn about the fundamental mechanisms of agriculture in the region. Tickets are available from: www.ticketebo.com.au/the-riverina-collective/women-in-water-2016.html. For further information, contact Hayley Purbrick M. 0408 129 782.

Michael Renehan, CEO

Announced allocation

Class C General Security 72 %
Water Efficiency Allocation 0 %
(Efficiency Allocation on Delivery Entitlements)

Water availability and usage

(08/11/16)

Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements..... 78 %
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)
On-Farm Balance..... 618 GL
On-Farm Usage 102 GL

Water exchange

8.30am today

Water for Sale 6,562 ML
Price Range \$90 - \$250
Buy Offer \$80
Yesterday's Sales..... 558 ML
Price \$75 - \$96

To buy water call 1300 781 431

Water use and trade data

01/11/16 – 07/11/16

Murray Water Exchange activity

Internal buyers (No. & ML)..... 14; 3,027ML
External buyers (No. & ML)..... 2; 331ML
Internal sellers (No. & ML)..... 26; 2,917ML
External sellers (No. & ML)..... 2; 441ML

Trade to and from licence (excl. Govt.)

Net trade..... 958ML(week)...-1,147ML(YTD)*

* Adjusted at monthly reconciliation to remove

Government trade data

Crop weekly water use

ML used on farm..... 39GL

Channel flows today (ML/day)

	Actual	Capacity
Mulwala Canal	4,215	10,000
Wakool Canal	840	2,350
Escape flows	1,250	3,250

Rainfall and evaporation

01/11/16 – 07/11/16 Rain Evap
Finley 0.0mm 42.4mm
Tullakool..... 0.0mm 50.1mm

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Dartmouth..... 2,910 GL..... 75 %
Hume..... 2,984 GL..... 99 %
Lake Victoria..... 615 GL..... 91 %
Menindee Lakes 895 GL..... 52 %
Active Storage..... 7,404 GL..... 80 %

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Murray @ Doctors Point 17,577 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir 17,514 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge .. 1,794 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald..... 27,940 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy..... 799 ML/d
Flow to SA..... 56,009 ML/d
Murray to the Sea 239 gates open

This information is provided for general reference purposes only. Murray Irrigation takes best endeavours to ensure accuracy. It is collated at 8.00am Tuesdays and is subject to change.