



Coorong Tatiara Local Action Plan Newsletter March 13 2019

A round up of news, funding opportunities, and events for Coorong and Tatiara land managers

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5.30 - 9.00pm Thursday 28th March

Coomandook Uniting Church Meeting room

Registrations & further info; tstrugnell@coorong.sa.gov.au

or sms on 0427 750 050

Please register by Monday 25th of March

Dryland Salinity and Hydrogeology Update

& Local Salinity Trends

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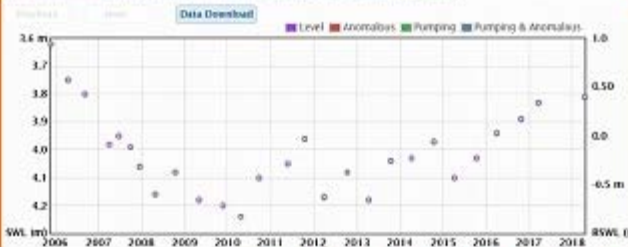
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WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

- A local history of Dryland Salinity
- The current picture of hydrogeology & dryland salinity

- Hydrogeology Mythbusting
- Salinity Project Updates
- Group Discussion
- Dryland Salinity Survey Results

For further background information please visit
www.coorong.sa.gov.au/saltlandredemption
& www.coorong.sa.gov.au/salinity



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BBQ PROVIDED BY COOMANDOOK AG BUREAU		
A Local History of Dryland Salinity Salinity Survey Results	Graham Gates <i>Coorong Tatiara LAP</i>	6.00pm
Current picture of hydrogeology & dry- land salinity	Chris Hentschke and Steve Barnett <i>Hydrogeologists – Rural Solutions and Dept for Environment and Water</i>	6.30pm
Hydrogeology Mythbusting	Chris Hentschke and Steve Barnett	7.15pm
Salinity Project Updates	Tracey Strugnell Felicity Turner <i>Coorong Tatiara LAP</i> Tony Randall <i>Natural Resources SA Murray Darling Basin</i>	8.00pm
QUESTIONS		
What else has been going on? New ideas? What else should we be looking at?	Discussion	8.30pm
9pm FINISH		
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GRDC Effective Spray Application Workshop

Monday March 25, 7.30am – 11am at Gather on Gordon (85 – 87 Gordon street), Naracoorte
 FREE event and breakfast is provided. Join one of the leading application specialists, Jorg Kitt, for this workshop to enhance the performance of your sprayer, improve product application and mitigate spray drift risk factors. For topics and to register, check the [FLYER](#)



New Program helps primary producers to better understand Chain of Responsibility

Did you know regulations have changed under Heavy Vehicle National Law? Not sure if your primary production business is compliant? The Chain of Responsibility framework, including recent changes, will be explained in easy-to-understand terms at a series of free workshops across South Australia. For info and registration [click here](#).

Wednesday 10 April 8am Murray Bridge

Thursday 11 April 9am Bordertown

Tuesday 16 April 4pm Penola

Wednesday 17 April 6.30 pm Keith



It's Ewe Time Forum

Thursday March 28, Naracoorte Town Hall

Registration for the half-day forum opens from 8.30am, the forum starts at 9am and finishes at 12.50pm, followed by informal lunch with speakers. Cost is \$35 per person, including forum booklet and all catering. For registration and speakers [click here](#).



Water security remains key focus for Livestock SA

Rising water prices are an ongoing concern to livestock producers throughout the State, with rates in some regions rising by more than 250 per cent in the past decade.

Water security is a key priority for Livestock SA and we are keen to see access to reliable and fair priced water for livestock producers across the State.

While Livestock SA continues to follow the inquiry into water pricing in SA closely, it has also been pleasing to hear of the recent Federal and State Government announcement of \$5 million in Federal rebates for drought-affected livestock farmers who invest in on-farm water infrastructure. To read full

article [click here](#).

REMINDER - Grazing Standing Crops

Using standing crops for finishing lambs and paddock health.

MFMG is partnering with Birchip Cropping Group in 2019 and 2020 to bring you the Grazing Standing Crops project, funded by the National Landcare Program. This project will include sowing paddock and small plot demonstrations, grazing paddock demonstrations, economic analysis and grower discussion looking at how standing crops can benefit lamb finishing systems and paddock health.

Free Event

Wednesday March 20th 2019, 2 - 5pm

To read flyer [click here](#)



Practice-Based Suicide Prevention Targeting Men and Women in Farming Occupations

National Conference Hosted by the National Enterprise for Rural Community Wellbeing, University of South Australia

Have you targeted suicide prevention strategies to farmers and farming communities?

Would you like to know more about creative approaches that increase the wellbeing of men and women in farming to reduce suicides?

We are delighted to invite you to our first practice-based conference for suicide prevention strategies targeted to men and women in farming including farmers, farm workers and farm managers.

We invite rural community members, people working in rural communities on suicide prevention and researchers interested in farmer suicide prevention to join us.

For more details [click here](#).



Female Ag Leaders Sought

Women in agriculture with an ambition to shape the food and fibre industry's future are invited to apply for the National Farmers' Federation's 2019 Diversity in Agriculture Leadership Program. The program provides successful applicants with a six-month one-on-one mentorship and a two day Canberra leadership retreat. Applications close on March 25.

For more details [click here](#)



Irrigator Information Meetings

Six regional meetings will be held Renmark, Berri, Waikerie, Loxton, Murray Bridge and Langhorne Creek in mid-March to provide information about:

- Changes to the River Murray water allocation plan;
- The water resource condition and outlook;
- The allocation and carryover announcement process; and
- How water users can use the water market to manage business risk.

Meeting locations and events are as follows:

Location	Host Organisation	Day/Time	Panel Members
Murray Bridge Golf Course Ritter St	South Australian Dairyfarmers' Association	Monday 18 th March 10.30 am	Facilitator: Dean Brown Dan Jordan – DEW Jarrod Eaton – DEW Stuart Peevor – Waterfind Warren Jacobs – SADA Kai Wakerman Powell – AITHER Water Markets
Langhorne Creek The Langhorne Creek Hub 79 Bridge Rd	Langhorne Creek Grape and Wine	Monday 18 March 2 pm	Facilitator: Emily Jenke Dan Jordan – DEW Jarrod Eaton – DEW Stuart Peevor – Waterfind Lian Jaensch – Wine Growers Association Kai Wakerman Powell – AITHER Water Markets

On the Level

Local Water quality & level observations - Current at 12/9/2018

- Salt Creek outlet - 24684 EC, Level 1.11
- Lake Albert at Meningie Sailing club - No updates available
- Lake Alexandrina at Poltalloch Plains 802 EC Level .539

- River Murray downstream Wellington ferry 293EC Level .502
- River Murray at Woods Point - 281EC

For the latest River Murray Flow Report and Water Resources update visit www.waterconnect.sa.gov.au

By Comparison

STOCK	PRODUCTION CAN BEGIN TO DECLINE
Beef Cattle	6, 250 EC
Sheep dry feed	9, 300 EC
IRRIGATED PASTURE	PRODUCTION CAN BEGIN TO DECLINE
Balansa clover, persian clover, strawberry clover & lucerne	800-1500 EC

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