



## Eynesbury Township Update

Western Water is currently working closely with the Eynesbury Township Joint Venture partners to install a dual water supply system for the new Eynesbury Township. Board members from both organisations visited the site in February 2006 to see construction progress.

Located south of Melton, the new town will feature approximately 2900 dwellings and is designed to embrace principles of sustainability. One of the key design features is water saving measures; every house will be plumbed with recycled water for toilet flushing and garden watering. Western Water will supply each dwelling in the Eynesbury Township with potable water as well as class A recycled water for specific uses. The appropriate use of recycled water is expected to conserve up to 1 billion litres of potable water annually. Class A recycled water will be used for toilet flushing, garden watering, fire protection, golf course, recreation area and public open space irrigation.

Planning and design of the Class A recycled water treatment plant and distribution system is underway, and has involved extensive consultation with the Department of Human Services, Environmental Protection Authority, Plumbing Industry Commission and other stakeholders. Western Water will continue to work with stakeholders to develop the most appropriate treatment system for Class A recycled water to ensure that water quality will meet all public health and environmental requirements. The new Class A Wastewater Treatment Plant will be located at Western Water's Surbiton Park site.

Major recreation assets at the Township, including the golf course and equine facilities are currently being irrigated with recycled water. Construction of the first stage of the residential development will continue during 2006, with the first lot sales expected to be take place in Spring 2006.

### Would you like your business advertised here?

For more information, please contact Chantal Husk from Western Water's Communications Team on tel: 03 5421 9400, during normal business hours.

## Romsey's Newest Recycled Water Customer

A state-of-the-art thoroughbred racehorse-training complex, has become Western Water's first off-site customer to be supplied with Class C recycled water from the Romsey Treatment Plant. Recycled water is now being used to irrigate the new turf and sand training-tracks. The project involved the construction of approximately one kilometre of pipeline and an upgrade to an existing pump station to transport the recycled water. With more than 40 racehorses already in training, the centre has the capacity to double in the future. The use of recycled water on their training surfaces has secured the complex a consistently high standard of turf all year. The pipe that supplies the training complex is located in Portingale's Lane, Romsey.

Anyone interested in accessing recycled water in this area may contact **Western Water** on **1300 650 425**, during normal business hours.



### Board visit to Eynesbury Township.

L-R: Terry Larkins – Western Water Chairman; Antony Baillieu – Director, Woodhouse Pastoral Co Pty Ltd.; John Philip – General Manager, Woodhouse Pastoral Co Pty Ltd.; Nick Deed – Victorian Development Manager, Villa World Ltd.; Charles Baillieu – Director, Woodhouse Pastoral Co Pty Ltd.



## Clarke Oval Extension Update

Western Water, Hume City Council, Salesian and Sunbury Secondary Colleges received a \$175,000 grant to put towards the construction of a two-kilometre extension of the Sunbury-Melton Recycled Water Scheme, to provide a recycled water supply to both Colleges and Sunbury's main sporting reserve, Clarke Oval.

The first stage of the \$374,000 project has been completed and Salesian College is now connected to Recycled Water. The College will use the recycled water to irrigate sporting facilities in the College grounds and for future irrigation of landscaped areas.

The final stage of the project is planned to be completed later this year and will include the connection of Sunbury Secondary College and Hume City Council's Clarke Oval to recycled water. The use of recycled water for irrigation of garden and recreation areas is expected to save 40 megalitres of drinking water per year.



■ Salesian College Oval's recycled water meter

## Recycled Water Record – Highest Monthly Flows from Sunbury

In January 2006, tertiary treated Class B recycled water was supplied to the Sunbury-Melton Recycled Water Scheme at the highest rate to date. Over 116 megalitres of water was recycled through the scheme in January for agribusiness, municipal, sporting and recreational uses.

## Stormwater and Urban Water Conservation Fund Tour

In February 2006, Western Water, in conjunction with Macedon Ranges and Hume City Councils, hosted a tour of existing recycled water schemes to highlight for potential grant applicants the successful projects that have recently been funded by the Stormwater and Urban Water Conservation Fund.

Western Water discussed how the project ideas were established, formation of partnerships, development of grant applications and implementation of successful projects. Participants were able to visit Western Water's successful recycled water irrigation projects in Gisborne and Sunbury including Gardiner Reserve, Dixon Field, Gisborne Bowls Club, Clarke Oval and Salesian College. The tour gave participants an insight into the possibilities and range of projects that may be successful through the Stormwater and Urban Water Conservation Fund. Participants visited from all regions of Victoria, including the private sector and local government.

## AgriWest Wins Bronze at Hanging Rock Harvest Picnic

AgriWest is the peak regional agribusiness body in the outer western region of Melbourne. AgriWest covers the Shires of Melton, Moorabool, and Wyndham City Council, an area of approximately 3,200 square kilometres. Western Water, as a founding member of AgriWest, assisted in the planning and preparation of the Agriwest Marquee at the annual Hanging Rock Harvest Picnic at Woodend. An estimated 18,000 visitors attended the event and the AgriWest marquee achieved a Bronze Award for best exhibitor for their first exhibit at the event. The AgriWest marquee featured a range of locally grown produce grown with recycled water. For more information please visit [www.agriwest.com.au](http://www.agriwest.com.au)



■ Agriwest Marquee at Hanging Rock Harvest Picnic 2006.  
L-R: Jaselyn O'Sullivan and Jan O'Neil – Agriwest's Hosts;  
Cathy Mulligan – from DPI; Kay Kilgour – Agriwest Chair;  
Richard Bouchier and Angela Ruffo – Agriwest Board Members;  
Frank Ruffo – Local Grower and Daryl Wilson – Agriwest Secretary.