THIS WILL BE THE LAST REPORT FOR THE CURRENT SEASON

MURRAY VALLEY CITRUS BOARD - WEEKLY REPORT

Friday 30th November 2012

SELLING PRICES

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SYDNEY								
_		Navels 15kg		LEMONS 15kg		GRAPEFRUIT		
Count	\$	Count	\$	\$ Count \$		Count	\$	
40		36		48			Marsh	Red
54		40	14-18	56	12-20	23		
60		48	16-22	64	16-20	27	10-14	12-16
70		56	20-24	72	18-26	32	14-20	16-24
80		64	18-22	80	22-28	36	14-20	16-24
90		72	17-20	88	23-29	40	12-14	14-18
100		80	16-18	100	24-30	48	8-12	10-14
110		88	14-16	113	24-30	56		
		100	13-16	125	20-26	64		
		113	12-14	138	18-25	72		
		125	10-12	150	16-24	80		
18kg		138+	9-10	163	14-20			
No2's		No2's	7-10	No2's	10-16	No2's	6-10	8-12

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General Comment: WHOLESALE TRADING TREND

The stone fruit season has ramped up in supplies over the past week and with heavier arrivals expected in the coming weeks. This season has seen no major disasters and most growers will have good crops and there should be no shortages and most likely oversupplies. Citrus fruit sales this week past have been quiet with adequate supplies of most fruits and with prices little changed. While merchants tried to lift the price on Late Lane Navels, buyers refused to pay more and concentrated on new season stone fruits.

NAVELS:

Demand: Slow Carryover: Some Quality: Good

Comment: There were adequate supplies of Late Lane Navel Oranges this week and the market was steady for demand and prices. Class 1 Late Lane Navels were from \$10-\$24 and the odd higher while bulk bins of Navel oranges ranged from \$100-\$160. The 3-kilo net bags were mainly priced from \$1.40-\$1.70 and the best to \$1.80. Class 2 Navels were in large numbers and were from \$7-\$10 but mainly around \$8.

GRAPEFRUIT:

Demand: Slow Carryover: Some Quality: Good

Comment: Both Red and White grapefruit were steady this week with adequate supplies and prices were unchanged from last week on both the White and Reds. Class 1 Red grapefruit were priced from \$10-\$24 with Premium lines to \$30 and Class 1 White grapefruit were priced from \$8-\$20.

LEMONS:

Demand: Good Carryover: Some Quality: Fair

Comment: The Lemon market saw little change with increased numbers of USA imports which eased on price slightly while New Zealand fruit was of mixed to poor quality and slow selling. Southern district fruit from Australia were in adequate supplies and of mixed quality and were becoming soft and not keeping well at all. There were only light supplies of quality fruit out of Queensland. Southern fruit from NSW, Victoria and South Australia Class 1 15-kilo cartons eased this week to range from \$16-\$30 while Class 1 18-kilo cartons from Far North Queensland were reported to be from \$35-\$55. Imported USA cartons were from \$36-\$45 and imported New Zealand fruit was from \$24-\$30. Class 2 fruit was selling from \$10 to \$20 and Qld fruit from \$20-\$30. Coastal fruit was in light supply and sold from \$16-\$24.

LIMES:

Demand: Fair Carryover: Light Quality: Mixed

Comment: Limes this week were steady on price and were in adequate supply, ranging for Class 1, 6-kilo trays from \$20-\$40 with most sales from \$30-\$35. Class 2 tray packed fruit were from \$10-\$16, while 10-kilo bulk packs ranged from \$16-\$24 for Class 2.

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MELBOURNE									
Murcott		Navels		LEMONS		GRAPEFRUIT		VALENCIA	
Honey Class 1- 9kg		15kg		15kg		Marsh		15kg	
Count	\$	Count	\$	Count	\$	Count	\$	Count	\$
40		36		48				48	15
54		40		56		23		56	18
60		48	22-26	64		27		64	20
70		56	30-35	72		32	18-25	72	20
80	50-55	64	30-32	80		36	24-30	80	20
88	50-55	72	26-30	88	40-45	40	24-30	88	20
100	50-55	80	20-26	100	40-45	48	22-25	100	15
110		88	20-22	113	40-45	56	12-20	113	15
120		100	16-20	125	35-40	64	12-18	125	12
135		113	15-16	138	35-40	72		138	
		125		150	30-35	80		150	
		138+							
No2's		No2's		No2's		No2's			

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General Comment: WHOLESALE TRADING TREND

Activity was only fair and was well short of what was required in order to cope with the increasing amount of stock now coming through. The market was well supplied with stone fruit, rockmelons, bananas, tomatoes etc. and appeared to be over-supplied with beans, capsicums, zucchinis, broccoli and lettuce. Citrus lines were in moderate supply and meeting existing demand. Finally we have seen some improvement in the value of premium size Navels but unfortunately limes have continued to lose ground.

NAVELS:

Comment: As anticipated, premium sizes improved in value this week. The sales range was generally from \$15 to \$32 and up to \$35 for sizes 56-64. Class 2 remained unchanged at \$5-\$10 and was slow to move. Nets were \$2.20-\$2.50 and bulk bins were \$200 for the 300kg and \$250 for the 400kg. Most sales \$22

VALENCIA:

Comment: Valencias ranged between \$15 and \$20 for Class 1 fruit and \$10-\$12 for seconds. Nets were \$1.60-\$2.00 MOST SALES \$15-\$20 and Nets \$1.60-\$2.00

MARSH GRAPEFRUIT:

Comment: Supply continued to match demand and the sales range was unchanged at \$20-\$25 with the odd sale to \$30. Most sales remained around the \$25 mark with seconds at \$10-\$15.

MOST SALES: \$25-\$30

RUBY GRAPEFRUIT:

Comment: A light supply continued at unchanged values with the selling range at \$20-\$25 and a few to \$30 while seconds were \$14-\$16 and some out to \$20. We should see USA imports on the market next week.

Most Sales: \$20-\$25

LEMONS:

Comment: Good quality lemons continued to meet an unchanged level of demand at steady values. The selling range remained at \$30-\$40 and up to \$45. Sizes 88-113 ranged from \$40-\$45 and sizes 125-150 were \$30-\$40. Seconds were around \$20-\$25 and the light supply of USA imports continued at \$45-\$50 for sizes 95 and 115.

LIMES: Demand was not matching supply and prices have eased. The sales range was \$30-\$40 with a very few to \$45. MOST SALES: \$40-\$50

MANDARINS:

Comment: Only a few carry-over stocks of Murcotts remained on offer and the sales range continued at \$50-\$55.

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BRISBANE							
GRAPEFRUIT Marsh		LEMONS		MANDARIN Murcott		NAVEL	
Count	\$	Count	\$	Count	\$	Count	\$
27		56	20-24	60		48	16-24
32		64	20-24	70		56	20-26
36		72	24-30	80		64	28-36
40		80	36-40	90		72	26-34
48		88	40-50	100		80	22-28
56		100	40-55	110		88	18-26
64		113	40-55	120		100	
72		125	32-40	135		113	
		138	30-36	150		125	
		150				138	
		165					
		180					

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GENERAL COMMENT:

Navel oranges have firmed in prices due to decreased supply. Lemons have remained firm.

NAVEL:

SUPPLY: Moderate DEMAND: Good CARRYOVER: Minor QUALITY: Good

The market prices have improved. Buyer demand was good with decreased supply to meet good demand.

GRAPEFRUIT:

SUPPLY: DEMAND: CARRYOVER: QUALITY:

Marsh grapefruit have disappeared from the market.

LEMONS:

SUPPLY: Reducing DEMAND: Good CARRYOVER: Some QUALITY: Mixed

Lemon prices were firm and the market is expected to remain firm over the coming week. Most Class 1 fruit was trading in the \$30 to \$45 price range with some lines are selling as high as \$55.

LIMES:

SUPPLY: Increased DEMAND: Slow CARRYOVER: Some QUALITY: Mixed Market prices have achieved \$20 to \$30 with some \$35 per 5kg tray on the back of increased supply. Quality remained mixed.

CIT	CITRUS FRUIT SIZES CHART - ORANGES						
	AUS 20kg	USA 16kg	SE ASIA 22kg				
Count	mm Size	mm Size	mm Size				
56	87	84					
64	84	81	87				
72	81	77	84				
80	77	75	81				
88	75	72	77				
100	72	69	75				
113	69	67	72				
125	67	65	69				
138	65	63	67				
150	63		65				

RETAIL PRICES Friday 30th November 2012

RETAIL PRICES REPORT - MELBOURNE - 30th November 2012						
MELBOURNE RETAIL PRICES						
VARIETY	VARIETY CHAIN STORES INDEPENDENT STORES					
Navels	\$1.40 kg	\$3.98 bag				
Valencia	\$2.98 bag					
Grapefruit						
Marsh	N/A	N/A				
Pigmented	\$3.99 kg	\$3.98 kg				
Limes	\$19.98 kg	\$1.48 each				
Lemons	\$4.98 kg	\$3.98 kg & \$2.98 pp bag				

RETAIL PRICES REPORT - BRISBANE - 30th November 2012						
BRISBANE RETAIL PRICES						
VARIETY	CHAIN STORES	INDEPENDENT STORES				
Navels	\$3.49 - \$4.99	\$2.69 - \$4.99 kg				
Valencia	\$1.24-\$2.68	0.69¢ - \$2.99				
Grapefruit Marsh	N/A	N/A				
Red Fleshed	\$4.68	\$2.99 - \$4.99				
Limes	\$2 each - \$19.99 kg	\$1 each - \$17.69 kg				
Lemons	\$1.68 - \$4.68	\$1.99 - \$5.39				