Scottish Egg Producer Retailers Association

MARKET REPORT

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	Size	V. Large	Large	Medium	Small
Farm to Shop	Prices	£1.49	£1.25	£1.15	80p
Scottish Wholesaler	Prices	£1.20	80p	75p	
English Wholesaler	Colony F/R	£1.30 £1.43	88p £1.33	80p £1.23	60p 70p
	Colony F/R	£1.25 £1.40	£1.00 £1.40	80p £1.30	65p 70p
Packer / Producer Contracted average Price					
		Organic	FreeRange	Barn	Colony
		£1.20/£1.25	85p/£1.10	75p/£1.00	70p/95p
Producer / Consumer		V. Large	Large	Medium	Small
- Colony	Prices	£2.00	£1.85	£1.40	90p
- Free Range	Prices	£3.00	£2.35	£1.93	£1.05
Free-Range to Farm Shop	Prices	£1.75/£2.25	£1.31/1.91	£1.15/£1.45	95p
Central Egg Agency	Colony F/R	99p £1.40	85p £1.25	75p £1.15	57p 87p
Imported Continental Prices in Bulk					
Dutch Eggs	Barn	85p	69p(-1p)	63p(-2p)	

Schools Out----In England, now that does supress demand for Medium a bit so don't be surprised if there is a slight reduction next week, but this is Scotland so we should be seeing an increase in family tourists.

There is a slight surplus of Free Range which is being exported to the Continent rather than cascaded.

The Edinburgh fair finishes this weekend and reports says that it has been very quiet, but the Glasgow fair starts this weekend, we wonder why the Commonwealth Games are being held when there is hardly anybody home, or perhaps that was the plan, the city will be unusually quiet for the expected influx of spectators and tourists. The city will deliver the goods and put on a show.

Ukraine the door is now open, they are having a pretty rough time and will be keen to get some foreign currency for their agricultural production, with their low production costs they should have no problem finding customers in Europe, the figures in the article are not tonnes as stated, but thousands of tonnes!

Newcastle disease in Europe is not good news, but in Norway which is only a ferry trip away is not good news for us especially as the migratory season for wild birds is not too many weeks away, be careful! The letter from Richard Lochhead, printed last week has certainly rattled a few windows and shows that our officials and government listen to industry and science on welfare issues.

Ukraine ready to start exporting eggs to the EU

Ukrainian egg product manufacturing companies Avangard and Ovostar may send the first shipments of egg products to the European Union (EU) this month, according to the representatives of the Union of Poultry Breeders of Ukraine.

"Ukrainian manufacturers will be able to start deliveries of pasteurised and dried egg products to the market of the EU already in July of this year", stated the chairman of the board of directors of the Union Alexander Bakumenko. "So far the supplies have not been started. But it is about to be launched in the nearest time," he said, adding that the country already actively develops export supplies of meat to the EU.

According to him, two agricultural holdings, Avangard and Ovostar, are preparing to launch the supply of egg products to the EU, but the so far these companies has not yet received final authorisation for delivery.

As previously reported, on 23 April, the EU unilaterally opened its markets for Ukrainian goods within the autonomous preferential trade regime between Ukraine and the EU. Preferential trade regime provides the reduction of customs duties for supplies of Ukrainian goods, within the certain quotas.

The quota for duty-free supply of egg products and albumin from Ukraine in the EU is 1.5 tonnes per year, while for eggs in shell -3 tonnes per year.

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Organic feed not fully organic until 2017

The European Union has extended the timeframe on introducing 100% organic raw materials in organic pig and poultry feed to 2017. This has been decided last week in Brussels.



This derogation means that organic producers are still allowed to mix a maximum of 5% non-organic protein raw materials in the diets.

Initially, organic producers had to start using organic feed, containing 100% organic ingredients by the end of 2014. But there are still; not enough organic raw materials available on the market to introduce these rules. This is why the EU has decided to give the organic producers more time.

The allowance to mix non-organic raw materials in the feed currently gives feed formulators a degree of flexibility in providing optimum levels of key nutrients in diets.

Emmy Koeleman

Newcastle disease strikes Swedish laying flock

Sweden has faced an outbreak of Newcastle Disease in a flock of laying hens, the Swedish Board of Agriculture Department for Animal Welfare and Health has reported to the OIE.

Following a drop in egg production on the farm in Motala in the county of Östergötlands in the south-east of the country, diagnostic tests on the 3rd July confirmed the presence of Newcastle Disease and the entire flock of 16,3000 birds were destroyed.

The affected birds were housed 38-week-old laying hens and no signs of the disease were reported to have been shown.

A protection zone (3km) and a surveillance zone (10 km) were put in place around the farm and all other measures according to Directive 92/66/EEC were applied.

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UK approves unprocessed poultry manure as a fuel

The first UK approval for use of unprocessed poultry manure as a fuel in combustion will take effect at Uphouse Farm, Norfolk as the implementation rules 142/2011 came into law under EU regulation 1069/2009 from July 15th 2014.

BHSL, an entrepreneurial Agri-Tech company who collaborated with Uphouse Farm and a number of institutions including DEFRA, the environment agency, AHVLA, has the only approved system permitted for use under the new rules. The bhsl FBC system was used to test and verify the implementing rules for the complete manure combustion process – this included manure handling, storage, combustion, emissions management and ash management. The process is patented across 28 EU Member states.

BHSL is now on target to deliver commercial solutions for poultry growers. "Our system has been put through a rigorous regulatory and technical proving process and we are now ready to deliver solutions on

farms across the UK and the EU to allow farmers to run more sustainable and profitable businesses," said Sean Fitzpatrick, commercial director.

Meeting Defra farming minister George Eustice on the day the new regulations came into force, Declan O'Connor, chief executive of BHSL said the time had come for farmers to stop thinking of chicken manure as waste and start thinking of it as fuel.

The arguments in its favour were "economically compelling", he told the minister, as well as sustainable. But there was still an issue with getting the resultant ash reclassified, so it too could be used on farm without having to go through expensive waste controls.

"Ash is still in a waste 'cubbyhole' and we need to get it out," said Norfolk broiler producer and NFU member Nigel Joice, who has the first litter burning operation up and running. He explained that it was costing him £700 a go to get a deployment licence to spread the ash on up to 50ha of arable land.

One way of addressing the problem would be via a review of the fertiliser regulations, currently under way in Brussels. But that would take another two years and both the NFU and BHSL urged Eustice to press for a faster solution.

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Why did the hen cross the road—roll in the mud and cross the road again!?

Because she was a dirty -double crosser!



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