

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	Colony F/R	£1.20 £1.50	90p £1.40	80p £1.30	
English Wholesaler	Colony F/R Colony F/R	£1.40 £1.70 £1.45 £1.45	£1.20 £1.45 £1.20 £1.45	£1.15 £1.20 £1.15 £1.20	75p 85p 75p 85p
Packer / Producer Contracted average Price					
		Organic	FreeRange	Barn	Colony
		£1.20/£1.45	90p/£1.15	75p/95p	65p/85p
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	£1.05(-3p) £1.48(+3p)	87p(-3p) £1.38(+3p)	77p(-3p) £1.28(+3p)	60p(-2p) 98p
Imported Continental Prices in Bulk					
Dutch Eggs	Barn	90p	71p	66p	60p
German			76p(-1p)	70p(-1p)	

The market, demand quietish most people sitting on the fence as demand and prices will firm up after the next 2 weeks, the exception is Central Egg, the big special offers of Free Range in the supermarkets is increasing the demand this tied in with a slight drop in production linked to the drop in chick placings 6 months ago and it looks like the differential will increase especially in the run up to Christmas.

AI we are trying to find out if and when there is a workshop/information meeting in Scotland on this important subject which has been announced by the UK Poultry Health and Welfare Group.

The other articles show just how this world and this poultry industry in it is shrinking with not just business's, but whole continents interconnected and something happening on the other side of the world can affect even your farm gate sales.

And is the last article possibly the ultimate Christmas present for someone you love!!!!!!

This is national egg week and today is world egg day what have you done to promote your business and if not why not, you are producing a fantastic healthy quality product, be proud of it.

Info-sessions about AI in the UK

The UK Poultry Health and Welfare Group will be holding several informative events across Great Britain and Northern Ireland to help poultry farmers be prepared in the event of an outbreak of Avian Influenza.

The initiative of the sector-wide group comes after 3 cases of AI in the UK over the past 9 months, the last one in Hampshire in February this year.

You may also find interesting:

[**AI outbreak costing UK poultry industry dearly \(by Philip Clarke August 7th SEBRA report\)**](#)

Lost export markets are costing the UK poultry sector dear following the outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza on an egg farm in Lancashire last month.

10 sessions on AI

Avian Influenza (AI) is the single biggest threat to the UK and global poultry industry, according to the UK Poultry Health and Welfare Group (PHWG). Therefore, the group has organised 10 sessions throughout the country. The topics covered will be areas such as biosecurity, early reporting of disease, Government compensation, requirements of secondary cleaning and disinfection to restocking and a return to country freedom from AI, as well as contingency planning for exotic notifiable disease outbreak on farm and consequential losses incurred as a direct/indirect result of an outbreak.

Ruud Peys

Vaccine launched for ILT and Marek's disease

MSD Animal Health is bringing a new vector vaccine to market - the first of its kind - that can protect poultry against both infectious laryngotracheitis (ILT) and Marek's disease.

"HVT has a good safety profile for chickens and also immunises against Marek's disease, another herpesvirus that causes tumors, immunosuppression and sometimes mortality," said an MSD statement.

"Infectious laryngotracheitis is a significant concern across the poultry industry since the virus – as well as some existing preventative measures – can have a negative impact on growth and overall performance of the chickens," said Rik Koopman, global technical director at MSD.

ILT symptoms in birds

Symptoms of ILT include shortness of breath, coughing and abnormal lung sounds. Affected birds may also show reduced appetite or become inactive. ILT also causes a drop in egg production in laying birds – both breeders and layers – and can affect broilers as well.

Currently, birds may be treated for ILT using a live vaccine, so mounting a respiratory tract challenge in the birds. But this can have side effects and live vaccines can also be transmitted to other birds.

A single, subcutaneous shot

The new vector vaccine – called Innovax-ILT – is administered in a single, subcutaneous shot in the hatchery and offers at least 60 weeks' protection. It works by utilising the herpesvirus of turkey (HVT) as a vector for ILT antigens.

"HVT has a good safety profile for chickens and also immunises against Marek's disease, another herpesvirus that causes tumors, immunosuppression and sometimes mortality," said an MSD statement. "The vaccine allows birds to develop immunity against ILT and Marek's disease before they are exposed to the viruses that cause these diseases."

The prescription-only medicine will be delivered to hatcheries towards the end of October.

Source: [Poultry World](#)

Philip Clarke

Canada pledges billions to guard poultry incomes

Canada's dairy and poultry producers' incomes will be protected for 15 years following the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) agreement which was signed on October 5th.

Part of the deal will see imported produce gain further access to Canada's highly valuable dairy and poultry markets, where production is managed by quota. The deal opens an additional 3.25% of the country's dairy market, 2.1% of its chicken and turkey markets, 2.3% for the egg sector and 1.5% for broiler hatching eggs.

Compensation package

The Canadian government has set out a compensation package worth £2.15bn in total, including £1.2bn to protect farm incomes in affected sectors for 10 years from the day TPP comes into force. Income support will continue on a tapered basis for five years after this.

The income protection package will provide:

- £82,800 for a typical dairy farm
- £42,000 for a typical broiler producer
- £44,000 for a typical turkey producer
- £35,750 for a typical egg producer
- £95,850 for a typical hatching egg producer.

An additional £750m will help to protect the value of milk quota when quota is sold during the 10 years following the implementation of TPP.

The Canadian government is also putting £2.25m into modernising processing businesses in supply-managed sectors and a further £7.5m to help farmer and other groups to promote and market their products.

You may also be interested in:

[US poultry orgs applaud TPP deal](#)

After many years of negotiating, the United States, Canada, Japan and 9 other countries have concluded a free trade agreement designed to cut trade tariffs and sets common standards.

"Level playing field"

At the American Farm Bureau Federation, president Bob Stallman said: "The Trans-Pacific Partnership has promised to open restricted markets for American business around the Pacific Rim.

"We hope the agreement will bring a more level playing field for farmers and ranchers by reducing tariffs and removing non-science based barriers to trade. We expect to see increased access for our agricultural products, particularly some meats."

Criticism of trade deal

Both TPP and the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP), another deal which is being negotiated between the US and the EU, have been criticised for the involvement of corporate interests in the process.

There has also been widespread concern in the US that the deals are being fast-tracked and not receiving proper scrutiny by lawmakers.

Source: [Poultry World](#)

Suzie Horne

And now for something completely different!!!!!!

What a present for someone and ladies you can do it too, and think of the brownie points.

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