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Oesskatting

Ons April skatting projekteer 'n oes tussen 39,600 ton en 43,900 ton. Histories word ongeveer 90% van die oes in-dop uitgevoer.

Choctaw Harvest Timing

We want to highlight the importance concerning harvesting Choctaws. It remains a top-quality product with strong market potential, but to secure and grow that market, timing is everything. We're urging all producers to harvest Choctaws and **deliver them to processors as early as possible**. This ensures that processors can contract, process, and export Choctaws in time, reaching the market early and in the best possible condition.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to building a strong South African pecan industry.

Swaar reën en die effek op kwaliteit van die neute

Ons wil die lede se aandag vestig op die belangrikheid van die kwaliteit van die huidige oes. Meeste neute is deur chuck split, en die neute begin om op die boordvloer te val. Met die onlangse reëns en die voorspelde verdere reën, is dit van kardinale belang om, waar moontlik, die neute van die grond af te verwyder en dit op 'n skoon seil oop te gooi in 'n droë area om te droog.

Die kwaliteit van pekanneute word beduidend beïnvloed wanneer neute op die grond bly in die nat toestande. Ons besef dat dit nie in alle gevalle moontlik is nie, maar dit word sterk aanbeveel waar dit wel prakties uitvoerbaar is.

New Guidelines for In-Shell Exports

SAPPA, through its Market Development committee, has introduced new guidelines for all in-shell pecan nut exporters and processors.

The aim is simple: to unify the industry's communication and prevent overseas buyers from using incomplete or selective contract terms against our processors. Clear, consistent messaging protects our market and pricing.

Three clear categories for in-shell exports have been introduced:

- **Ultra-Pure + Cultivar** – This means 90% or more of the nuts in the lot are of a single cultivar, e.g., Ultra-Pure Wichita.
- **Pure + Cultivar** – At least 80% of the nuts are from one cultivar, e.g., Pure Wichita.
- **Mixed** – Less than 80% of the nuts are from one cultivar.

These categories help create clarity, trust, and consistency when communicating with buyers and protect our pricing from being eroded by vague or misleading comparisons.

Nuwe SA Pekan Beskikbaar

Die nuutste en spesiale 100ste uitgawe van die SA Pekan is beskikbaar op ons webtuiste by: <https://www.sappa.za.org/sa-pecan/>

Marketing Inbound Mission with GoodFood

In early January, we began discussions with a company called GoodFood, based in Israel. GoodFood operates a canning factory in Israel and has packhouses in Israel and Russia and cold storage facilities in Russia. Israel benefits from a 0% import tariff, while Russia imposes an 8% tariff on pecans. Last year, Israel imported between 450 and 650 tons of pecan kernels, with Russia representing a much larger potential market for Pecans from South Africa.

Our journey with GoodFood started with... Read more: <https://www.sappa.za.org/marketing-inbound-mission-with-goodfood/>

Statutêre Heffings vir 2025

Produsente word hiermee in kennis gestel dat die statutêre heffing vir 2025 vasgestel is op **44c per kilogram**.

Guidance for Pest Control Operator (PCO) Registration – CropLife SA

CropLife SA, in collaboration with the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD), recently hosted an online session to guide stakeholders on the registration process for Pest Control Operators (PCOs) under Act 36 of 1947.

Resources made available from the session:

- FAQ Document: A list of frequently asked questions and answers
- PCO Registration Decision Tree: Helps applicants determine next steps
- Example PCO Application Form: With notes to guide completion
- Example Restricted Agricultural Remedy Label
- Presentations by CropLife SA and DALRRD
- PCO Regulations – 18 February 2011: Details on legal responsibilities and record-keeping requirements

These materials are valuable for anyone involved in pest control operations.

Find the resources and read the full version here: <https://www.sappa.za.org/guidance-for-pest-control-operator-pco-registration-croplife-sa/>

For questions, the CropLife SA team is available to assist.

AJV Navorsingsvraag

Die navorsingskomitee het 'n onafhanklike opinie ingewin oor die navorsing wat deur PPECB gedoen is rakende gewigverlies teenoor vogverlies. Nadat die terugvoering deeglik oorweeg is, beveel SAPPA aan dat die onderstaande tabel steeds as 'n riglyn in hierdie verband gebruik kan word.

Produsente word aangemoedig om self die persentasie-aanpassing te bevestig wat deur hul betrokke verwerker gebruik word.

Vind die tabel op ons webtuiste by: <https://www.sappa.za.org/ratio-of-weight-loss-to-moisture-loss/>

Tree Nut Working Group Networking Event

SAPPA forms part of the Tree Nut Working Group (TNWG) and through this platform we collaborate with the other tree nut industries in South Africa to engage with suppliers of plant protection products. The TNWG held a networking event on 1 April that was attended by 77 representatives from plant protection companies. These include biological, organic and chemical suppliers.

During this event each nut industry shared an industry overview, a research overview and the industry needs with attendees. It was a great opportunity to network with representatives and discuss possible solutions to address the needs of our pecan producers. Challenges with regards to new product registrations and the implications of the listing of restricted use chemicals formed part of the day's discussions.

See pictures of the event: <https://www.sappa.za.org/tree-nut-working-group-networking-event/>

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