



**KALAMIA CANE GROWERS
ORGANISATION LTD**

WEEKLY WEB ROUNDUP

Friday, 7th May 2021

Kalagro Fuel Price

DIESEL - \$1.23308 including GST

UNLEADED - \$1.30140 including GST

Fuel Delivered - Mon - Wed - Fri

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REMINDERS

Ergon Energy Tariff Change

Members are reminded to check their Ergon Energy Accounts and the tariffs they are currently under. Some farming tariffs will expire 30th June 2021. (No 2)

Members will need to consult Ergon Re: Best new tariff for their irrigation needs.

Estimates for Upcoming Crush Season 2021

Mill	Tonnes Milling
Invicta	3,085,290
Pioneer	1,578,730
Kalamia	1,612,308
Inkerman	1,698,650
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>7,974,978</u>

- Start date 8th June for all mills to achieve a mid-November finish. (14th – 15th Nov)
- These numbers reflect 47,000 tonnes of Inkerman cane to Invicta
- There will be a need to transfer cane from Kalamia to Pioneer on these numbers but may have to go to Invicta. A decision will be made after crushing has started and trends analysed.

Harvest Deduction Costs Authority

Reminder to Members - Harvest Deduction Costs form is required to be signed each year for Harvest costs to be automatically deducted from cane pays.

Contact the KCGO office for assistance.



1. QSL Information Brief – Posted – 5/5/21



Dear Members,

Please find below a short news & information brief from QSL that you may wish to use in your communications to your members.

- **QSL April Guaranteed Floor Pool:** The April Guaranteed Floor Pool (GFP) closed for nomination on Friday 30 April. The final floor price for the April GFP is **\$457 AUD/tonne actual**. In addition to the guaranteed floor price achieved, pool participants also receive 50% of any ICE 11 pricing above the pool's strike price (\$467 AUD/tonne actual) during the season.
- **Market rally prompts pricing surge:** 2021-Season prices reached new highs last week, with QSL growers achieving up to \$490/tonne actual gross in the Target Price Contract (TPC) and \$500/tonne actual gross in the Individual Futures Contract (IFC) against the July 2021 contract. Growers using these pricing options and the Self-Managed Harvest Contract (SMHC) are reminded they still have until next year (2022) to finish pricing their nominated 2021-Season tonnage in these products, with rolling extending the period available to achieve their orders (costs may apply). Rolling is automatic in the Target Price Contract, but is a new option for the IFC and SMHC from this season. For more information about these products and how rolling is used within them, please click the links below:
 - [Target Price Contract Overview](#)
 - [Individual Futures Contract Overview](#)
 - [Self-Managed Harvest Contract Overview](#)
- **QSL Grow Program:** The QSL Grow Program works to promote the long-term sustainability of the Queensland sugar industry by supporting initiatives focused on protecting and increasing sustainable sugar production at a grassroots level. [Click here to learn more](#)

If members have any questions in regards to the above, please don't hesitate to get in contact.

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2. P&K Plot Update – RSD Positive Sample Finding – Posted – 5/5/21



MEMBERS CIRCULAR

**RE: RATOON STUNTING DISEASE (RSD)
POSITIVE SAMPLE IN ONE VARIETY IN THE P&K PLOT**

Burdekin Productivity Services has this morning advised PCGO and KCGO that after intensive resampling RSD has been detected in a single variety in the P&K Plot. This variety has been quarantined and BPS will now undertake an intensive resampling of all blocks and retesting the single variety to confirm the results. The turn around period for the results will be approximately two weeks, however Sugar Research Australia have indicated that they will prioritise the testing of these samples. Due to all blocks being too wet to cut and as a result of the single variety positive test, supply from the plot will be suspended until the results of the further testing are known.

Further information will be provided by BPS shortly. We will circulate the information as soon as it comes to hand.

Again, we emphasise the importance of our respective members contacting their planting and harvesting contractors to ensure that those contractors are undertaking the procedure recommended by Sugar Research Australia for clean down before moving between farms.

We note that the recommended procedure for disinfecting implements is as follows:

Thoroughly clean all implements removing all dirt and cane residues. A high-pressure cleaner is recommended. Implements include:

- 1. Harvesters-include toppler, throat, basecutter, feed rollers, chopper box, boot elevator and primary and secondary extractors.*
- 2. Planters-include planter trailer, feed chute, blades and rubbers, and exit chute. If recirculating fungicide spray or dip is used, ensure that tank and spray-lines are completely emptied and flushed with disinfectant.*
- 3. Plant cutters-include topplers, base-cutter and gathering chains.*
- 4. Stripping machines-include guards on inter-row tractor and fan, and fan blades.*
- 5. Cultivation equipment-include tines, coulters, discs and tool bars. Special attention should be paid to disinfecting stool-splitting fertiliser boxes.*
- 6. Other equipment-include cane knives, slicing knives, brix dribblers, chain saws used to trim stalks, truck used to transport cane.*

Spray or dip equipment using Steri-max at a 1 in 100 dilution, allowing a 5 minute treatment time. Renew disinfectant solution daily or whenever it becomes dirty.

Alternatively, implements can be disinfected with 70% methylated spirits and if this method is utilised, the implements can be utilised after 1 minute treatment time. Methylated spirits is flammable, and care should be taken to using it near ignition sources.

In the meantime, we confirm that in addition to assisting with the management of RSD, the planting of approved seed cane is a key component of general disease management in cane.

As advised above further information in relation to the infection in the P&K Plot will be circulated shortly.

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KCGO PAYROLL SERVICE CHARGES

Members

\$12.20 (incl GST) per Payslip

Non-members

\$14.15 (incl GST) per Payslip

All Clients

\$20.25 (incl GST) End of Financial Year Processing (per Employee)

Harvest Invoice Services



PREPARATION OF WEEKLY HARVEST INVOICE CHARGES

Members:

\$12.20 (incl GST) per Invoice

Non-members:

\$14.15 (incl GST) per Invoice

Postage Charges:

\$1.10 per Env.

Delivery Options:

- Invoices emailed
- posted
- KCGO office pickup option

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