



# CFU CALLING

4th July 2014

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## 1. EXECUTIVE NEWS

We are now into the new month of July as the year seems to be almost flashing past us with great **speed and at this time of year the farmers are now completing the marketing of last season's crops** and, hopefully, preparing their lands for the coming season. In saying this it seems most farmers have opted out of growing cereals this year for a number of very sound reasons. Rather invest later in a crop which has more secure profit margins.

Behind the scenes though your union has been very active in ensuring price stability for the main **staples as alluded to in Marc's article in last week's bulletin. For those who have been involved it** must have been quite enjoyable because this is one of the reasons your union was set up over 100 years ago. These sorts of issues used to be the main focus of the work here to basically handle all these difficult marketing issues to enable the farmer out there to concentrate on the production of the best possible crops and to achieve the highest yields possible using information from the research teams that also did an incredible job.

This is what your union is trying to re-establish in our efforts to move forward and to get agriculture back on track and productive once again.

We have been encouraged by the recent moves by Government to keep productive farmers on the land in some areas and we can only appeal that this should not only be in selected fields of agriculture, but should involve the entire industry and should be open to all. Whilst we are also somewhat encouraged by the form [of land audit that is being carried out](#) through the withdrawal of the old offer letters across the board we can only appeal that productivity should be the deciding factor with the issuance of the new ones.

Furthermore the continued downsizing of properties seriously affects productivity and sustainability, and in most cases viability so this also needs to be addressed.

In saying this though the agricultural industry is in serious crisis and this cannot be addressed by merely window dressing the true National production figures. [We need to get serious](#) and admit that mistakes have been made and work closely together to fix it.

Our team continues to lobby on the way forward but once again time is running out fast for any **benefit for the coming season as preparations for next season's crop should already be underway.** Although we are making huge progress and developing huge support for the initiative we appeal to the powers that be to get serious and to be more realistic for the sake of the nation.

What is frustrating to the industry as a whole is that on one side the administration is making good moves to secure the industry yet we have others who are still doing their level best to destroy the remaining productive base. Surely it is time for us to all pull together as a cohesive force to bring back stability and productivity to our industry?

Looking at our membership numbers this year it is encouraging and for those of you outside the country who would like to pay subscriptions the PayPal system is now available in Zimbabwe.

Unfortunately we have a few problems setting this up but we hope to have it available soon.

This week we said farewell to two more of our amazing farmers whom have left a wonderful legacy for both their families and communities. We send our most sincere condolences to the families and may their dear souls now rest in peace.

## 1. EXECUTIVE NEWS CONTINUED

We have also learnt of the sad passing away of Mr Doug Dryden who was previously involved with Agriculture House in Marlborough and Chairman of the Staple trust. He had a longstanding working relationship with the CFU.

Our sincere condolences to his family too.

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Kenneth Eric BOWKER (Senior): An amazingly strong man.

Ken was born on 2nd April 1930 in Standerton, South Africa. He grew up on Nuanetsi Ranch and later Fort Victoria (Masvingo). He went to school at Bulawayo Tech and worked for the PTC in Fort Victoria where he benefited from free phone calls to a beautiful nurse called Margaret Malan who was nursing at Groote Schuur Hospital in Cape Town at the time.

He then moved to Harare where he worked for the CMED as an apprentice mechanic and held a second job working on the PTC exchange. In 1950 he contracted Polio which was to affect him for the rest of his life. His father bought a farm and Ken went farming with his father on Glenkermus Farm between Mt Darwin and Bindura where they farmed tobacco. On the 28th Sep 1957, Ken & Margaret were married in Mossel Bay and were to enjoy 57 years and 9 months together. They had 5 children, Sherrill (deceased), Lynne, Graham, Elizabeth and Kenneth (Jnr).

In 1965 they moved to Brinkburn Farm in Bindura where Ken served in many capacities in the community including the ICA (Intensive Conservation Area), Rural Road Council and Hail inspection committees among others. Ken also served in the Police Reserve and trained the WVS (Women's Voluntary Service) in weaponry.

Years later, having lost his farm to land invasions and the security situation having deteriorated, he and Margaret moved into Bindura, and then into Harare where he lived out the last of his 14 years, struggling with the progressive effects of post-polio syndrome. He loved his family and was a role model to be proud of.

It was amazing that he lived to the age of 84 given his health: God blessed him with full and long years. He will be sorely missed by Margaret, his children and 12 grandchildren.

To God be the glory.

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Buddy Sole, highly respected and revered farmer of the Glendale District, sadly passed away on Wednesday 25th June at the age of 85, at the Malvern House Trust in Mvurwi. He is survived by his two sons and their wives David and Kath, John and Sue in Zimbabwe and his daughter Anne and husband Don in New Zealand. He was the proud grandfather of Michael, Brendon, Alastair and Quinton, Kerry Anne, Peter John, Tracey and Ashleigh, Wayne and Lindsay. He is also survived by 10 great grandchildren.

Pops what a dynasty you have created fly high and RIP.

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## Mosquitoes carry painful Chikungunya virus to other countries

July 3, 2014

[The patient showed up at a hospital](#) feverish and hobbled by joint pain, a rash spreading across her face, and was presumed to be suffering from lupus or severe rheumatoid arthritis.

## Dam Levels

Here are the [dam levels from ZINWA dated 20 June 2014](#) which have been uploaded onto our website.

## 1. EXECUTIVE NEWS CONTINUED

### Zambia National Farmers' Union Newsletter

Herewith is a hyperlink to the latest copy of the [Zambia National Farmers' Union newsletter Number 22 of 2014](#), which makes very interesting reading as usual.

### Southern African Confederation of Agricultural Unions




SACAU have announced their new website, which is more interesting and user-friendly than the last one. Congratulations.  
<http://www.sacau.org/>

## 2. SECURITY AND LAND

There is very little change especially with the destabilising actions being carried out by a few in one of our main crop production provinces. In fact the pressure has been increased somewhat. Is this now the national policy? Although we are being assured that this is not supported by the administration there is little change on the ground.


In another province we have seen one farmer who has been summarily evicted despite his BIPPA status and the possession of an offer letter, which we find of great concern. This is not the first such case which highlights the dire necessity for property rights to be fully respected.

The situation in the conservancies remains in limbo with the wildlife administration in one province now laying claim to all rights on the properties with no hunting permits being issued for the third year running. There is [massive confusion at the moment](#) in the industry with the surrounding communities who should be benefitting from the resource now suffering from a lack of income like those employed in the industry. We are already half way through the season and in many cases the overseas client's deposits have been returned with regret.






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## 2. SECURITY AND LAND CONTINUED

We continue to follow every avenue to resolve these problems by offering a solution through which we will all be winners through this common sense approach to move forward again.

**What many may not realise is that this 'fire-fighting' for affected farmers takes up a massive amount of your union's time and stretches our meagre resources, yet we do find it very rewarding (satisfying) when we do achieve success in our endeavours.**

However, we recently carried out a small exercise on the 45 cases we had reported to us this last month alone and found that only three (3) were fully paid up members.

**Apart from this being an unfair burden on paid up members' subscriptions in our budget it also blows wide open the often used excuse of farmers not wanting to subscribe to your union in fear of being victimised or evicted from their properties.**

Please be honest and help us so that we can help you.

It is absolutely essential that all reports of incidents on farms or court cases should still continue to be sent to Mike Clark as soon as any problems may appear because we are still able to assist if notified early.

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## 3. OPEN FARMERS MEETING

The date of the next meeting to be held at the Wingate Golf Club will be advised.

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## 4. GOVERNMENT GAZETTE

In the Gazette of 27 June 2014 there was one item which may be of interest to our members.

General Notice 256 of 2014

Constitution of Zimbabwe

Notice of Acquisition of Agricultural Land under section 293 (1) of the Constitution

It is hereby notified that the Minister of Lands and Rural Resettlement, acquires for and on behalf of the state, the land identified and described in the schedule for purposes of agricultural settlement under section 293 (1) of the Constitution of Zimbabwe.

Take further notice that the ownership of the acquired land with full title is with effect from the date of publication of this notice in the Government Gazette.

1. Mara of Garamwe in the district of Hartley registered in the name of Dora Getrude Erasmus
2. Wick in the district of Kadoma registered in the name of Kaskay Properties (Pvt) Ltd.
3. Subdivision C of Sabonabon Estate in the district of Kadoma in the name of Vrystaat Estate (Pvt) Ltd.
4. Remaining Extent of Nidderdale in the district of Lomagundi in the name of Jacobus Johanes Nicolaas van Aswegen.

Those affected should immediately contact either Marc Carrie-Wilson or their respective legal practitioner for advice.

## 5. LEGAL AFFAIRS

(From the desk of Marc Carrie-Wilson)

### Lobbying Activities with the Ministry of Finance – Maize and Soya Bean Price and various issues relating to VAT

Members will recall that last week the Farmers Unions in association with the Grain Millers Association together with the Consumer Council met with the Ministry of Finance. The purpose of the meeting was to propose the introduction of a surtax on maize grain, soya beans, soya cake and maize meal. The of this proposal being to stabilize the current fall in Maize price and make the production of these commodities viable in the coming seasons. In response the Ministry undertook to reconvene a meeting involving more stakeholders including ZIMRA, the Ministry of Agriculture and the Retailers Association.

This follow up meeting took place on Tuesday the 1<sup>st</sup> of July, 2014. After lengthy deliberations I noted the following points:

- All agreed that there was need for some regulatory intervention in the short term to protect the farmer. The most extreme proposal being to ban the import of all Maize grain and Gazette a mandatory price of US\$ 390 per metric tonne.
- It is clear that there are serious short comings with the Import permit system (including allegations of corruption and forgeries) as a means of closing our borders to imported grain surpluses in the region being dumped into Zimbabwe.
- There is abuse of the systems by some individuals (some allegedly well connected) who are importing finished Maize meal for sale at the expense of the local milling industry.
- The problems associated with a surtax are that there are some international trade agreements between SADC Member states that limit the level of surtax that may be imposed on various goods and there may also be loopholes for corruption by abusing the charity imports rebate.
- The idea of allowing cheap maize imports so that millers and stock feed manufacturers can blend the cheap imported Maize with the more expensive local maize was generally accepted as good in principle but practically difficult to implement. Stock feed manufactures are resisting any attempts to increase the cost of maize and soya products. It was alleged that some large poultry producing companies (named in the meeting) have bought Maize at US \$ 220 per tonne if this is true the view taken by the meeting is that it would be extremely exploitative to the farmer who is in the position of a price taker. My understanding of the next step was that the Ministry would take the matter forward to Cabinet for a decision on what measures should be taken. The risk is that it is already too late to save maize producers and the contract farming companies who funded maize production from financial loss.

This could set an extremely negative tone going into the next season. It is this point that I have stressed to the Ministry. I will keep members informed of any further developments in this regard.

Following the meeting on the above issue I took the opportunity of presenting a paper to the Deputy Minister which makes various recommendations on VAT issues. In summary these are as follows:

Issue	Requested Intervention
Uncollected VAT on Soya bean sales between Feb 2009 and August 2012	<b>As with Contract Tobacco and white sugar farmers' unions have requested Ministry to backdate the effective date of the Zero rated status of Soya Beans.</b>
VAT on various primary Agricultural Products including Barley, Goat and sheep meat etc	A call to accord zero rated or exempted VAT status on all primary agricultural products.
VAT on key inputs like Electricity and raw water for irrigation	A removal of VAT on these key inputs.

[A full text of the position paper can be accessed](#) on our website by clicking the link.

## 6. ARAC UPDATE

(From the desk of Ben Gilpin)

### Education for all: by when?

**The early years of post independence Zimbabwe were marked by many slogans, some suffixed with the words “by the year 2000”.** As a diligent Zimbabwean anxious to see the uplifting of those I employed, I made a concerted effort over the years to work towards those noble millennium goals, in particular as regards housing, health and education. Alongside the pursuit of sustained crop and animal husbandry, such indeed was the agenda of most farmers prior to their eviction; whilst there was still much to be done, by the turn of the century many farms could be justly proud of the progress made over the previous twenty years.

Sadly it seems so many of the *operations* of the past decade and a half have seen the undoing of much national progress. Education is one such area, the national pride in the advancement of schooling and the downstream development of skilled and qualified professionals was impressive and was to empower many Zimbabweans. The turmoil of the past few years has forlornly resulted in many such individuals leaving for greener pasture, principally across the border to South Africa. Along with those well qualified, have been countless others whose opportunities through structured and effective education have been scuppered by policy that has negatively impacted on the social and economic wellbeing of the nation. Well, perhaps the tide is about to turn!

New policies in our southern neighbour relating to work permits for skilled persons are about to see a massive constriction in the number of people of foreign origin eligible for renewal of their documents. At present, South Africa has around 250,000 foreign skilled work permit holders. These people are a compliment to national capacity needs in key areas; however the number is shortly to be reduced to around 35,000. I wonder just what impact this action will have on Zimbabwe as so many of our own skilled and educated have moved south. One might ask: will they come home and drive the recovery we all hope for?

I guess that depends on choices...the *life choices* that people make. We have all faced such dilemmas at critical times and inevitably **we live with the consequences.** In “**Man’s Search for Meaning**”, Viktor Frankl identifies the **fundamental freedom to choose our attitudes and asserts that we always have an option to retain control over these, even in life’s most difficult moments.**

**At our last open farmers’ meeting, we were privileged to listen to an address by, Brendan Tiernan, whose life choices are a real validation of such truth.** Brendan has recently retired from the headship of St Georges College. He came to the helm of the institution after many years in education starting off as a Latin teacher and sports master at Guinea Fowl and Prince Edward schools. At independence, as did most of us who were adults at the time, he also made a personal choice regarding a commitment to the **country’s future and whether to go or stay. In his own words that decision did not make him a rich man and this will certainly impact on his retirement...** perhaps something that many of us can identify with these days!

The choice to be an educator seems to invite with it a certain resignation to the pursuit of a different sort of wealth... notably the satisfaction and treasure gained through dedicated service to the next generations. Working as a teacher puts one in a position to share particular points of view, perhaps though the simultaneous **keen scrutiny of one’s behaviour and actions by youth, help them in formulation of their own codes of conduct.** Over many years at one of the country’s top schools, Brendan clearly has been able to beneficially influence many young men who will in due course provide leadership in the world at large. Hopefully some, who have been positively impacted by his example, will choose to exercise their authority with integrity in building a better future for Zimbabwe, perhaps some even as farmers!

I say this because through the years 1997 to 2012, a period that has spanned most of the upheaval to our sector, Brendan doggedly affirmed his integrity whilst faced with many challenges to sustaining the high standard of education at the school. Whilst there was a determined onslaught against education in the country in general, the private schools were not left untargeted. During that time, what distinguishes Brendan was his determination to act with principled determination when others were reluctant to face the onslaught. His stance and the decision to articulate his thinking in public and defend it in court if necessary was not without risk: indeed for all of us, knowing what is right and doing it with a humble acquiescence to the consequences, takes great courage and **moral fortitude.** **The school challenged the Ministry of Education’s right to shut the school gates and won its case and all private schools benefited,** and many of our children have been direct beneficiaries of the high standards that have been maintained in private schools. Not so for the majority who have been subject to the decay of state education; something which has left a new generation of hopelessness.

**Alongside lofty cautions against any collaboration with white farmers, today’s papers are full of news of new land permits for AI’s.** It is suggested that these will resolve the anomalies that resulted from the inconsistencies inherent in the unsystematic issue of 220,000 offer letters over the last 15 years. I suspect there will likely be much more and plenty of reshuffling of the pack in the process as the real insecurity of the current arrangements is unmasked. One of the adages of life is that you really only learn by **experience. It seems that, for Zimbabwe, some of life’s lessons are still to be accepted and only then will we really be educated! Indeed, a recent article bemoans the lack of integrity of today’s farmers, to whom the country’s valuable agricultural land has been entrusted and asks:” Can such a system, without accountability and short on integrity ensure food security?”** **Until then I suspect it will be well to remember the exhortation of a little rather suspect Latin “Non illigitimis carborundum!”**

For those who have been waiting news on the stalled progress of their SI6 clearance, I am pleased to inform you that the NEC have dropped their demand for a fee of \$195 to validate documents and are now prepared to process for a nominal fee of \$20.



## 7. ZIMBABWE CROP PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION

*(From the desk of Richard Taylor)*

### Do my soybeans need fungicide yield enhancement?

By: Ernie Flint, Ph.D., CCA, Regional Agronomist  
Mississippi State University Extension Service

**Every year about this time, soybean producers begin deliberating the justification for making “yield enhancement” applications** that may include one or more fungicides and insecticides as needed. The scenario changes every year, and growers need to base the selection of products on recent scouting of fields for diseases and insects.

Having spent almost two decades as a crop consultant prior to joining Extension, and more than that since, I have found it difficult to make what some people call “automatic” applications of pesticides to crops, but when it comes to the yield enhancement application for soybeans I have accepted that the justification is almost always there, however a careful study of the specific field situation is needed before making the decision on products to be included.

The basic component of the yield enhancement application is the fungicide package. For a long time this consisted of a strobilurin product since trials done during the years of the SMART program showed good yield responses to this class of fungicide. This is still true, but with a more complex set of disease challenges such as strobilurin-resistant frogeye and the threat of Asian rust the program may need modification in some cases to include a triazole products in order to broaden the spectrum of fungi that may be managed by the application. New products have also been added to the list of effective materials.

Rate is another issue, with some growers cutting the rate of the strobilurin material from the recommended 6 ounces to a more economical 3 ounce rate. In situations where disease is not apparent, the rate may be reduced somewhat, but it probably should not be reduced by half as in this case, but by a more prudent third. And in fields where frogeye is suspected of being tolerant to strobilurin products a second material such as TopGuard may be combined with the strobilurin for improved effectiveness.

While accepting the fact that strains of disease may vary from one region to another, we need to pay attention to research that has been done recently. An extensive study done by Dr. Heather Kelly at the University of Tennessee in 2013 showed that the best yield responses at the Milan station were achieved with materials containing azoxystrobin in combination with a another fungicide. These combination products were Quadris TOP and Quadris Xcel. Other products that performed well in this study included Approach and Topguard. The applications were done at the R3 growth stage when small pods are visible within the top four nodes of the soybean plant. Please refer to the labels for these and other products for rates and special considerations for their use.

The use of these and other fungicides in combination with insecticides and the insect growth regulator Dimilin should be based on current scouting information. Timing of the application may be more difficult than usual this season because of the difficult planting season we have experienced, however I feel that conditions are suitable for the development of disease. The stage is set for such diseases as aerial web blight, late season cercospera, frogeye, and others. As for Asian rust, sentinel plots are again being monitored as in recent years so we have to wait and see what develops in these.

Bottom line is that the moisture we are getting favours both good and bad effects. Yields may potentially be higher, but so may disease and insect levels. Good scouting is essential to knowing how to handle both the opportunities and the challenges.

Thanks for your time.



## 7. ZIMBABWE CROP PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION CONTINUED

### Producer Prices

Commodity	<u>GMB</u> 04-7940799	<u>Kurima Gold</u> 04-662392 0772 382 028 / 0772 235 588	<u>Agrifoods</u> 04-775623 0712 601528 0712600588	<u>Staywell</u> 04-303021 307868 0774 175 974	<u>Profeeds</u> 04-667173 or 661048
White Maize	390	Grade A/B 280 7 days transfer delivered to Harare & Bula- wayo Grade D 275 7 days transfer delivered to Harare & Bula- wayo Grade A/B 270 24 hrs textacash delivered to Harare for 10mt & below Grade D 265 24 Hrs textacash delivered to Ha- rare for 10 mt and below	280	280 – Hre  270 - Hre	280 Cash at gate 82 Woolwich Road
Yellow Maize	310	280	280 Contracted Price	n/a	280 Cash at gate 82 Woolwich Road
Maize Bran	-	-	200	n/a	175
Soya beans	580	510 7 Days 500 24hrs	490	500 – Hre 490 - Hre	500
Soya bean	-	N/A	650	n/a	600
Wheat	466		-	480	-
Wheat Bran	-	-	200	-	190
Groundnuts	570 un-		-	n/a	-
Sugar Beans	1300	n/a	-	n/a	n/a
Sorghum	310	-	n/a	n/a	-
NOTES :	-	-	Raw Materials Prices		All prices are nego- tiable depending on tonnages and pay- ment terms

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— Decrease  
— No Change



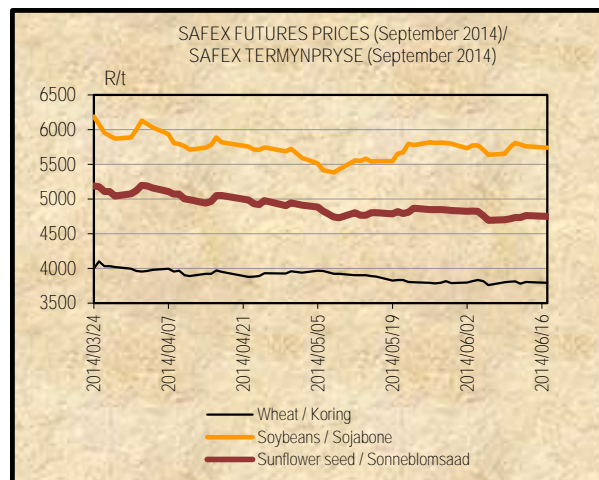
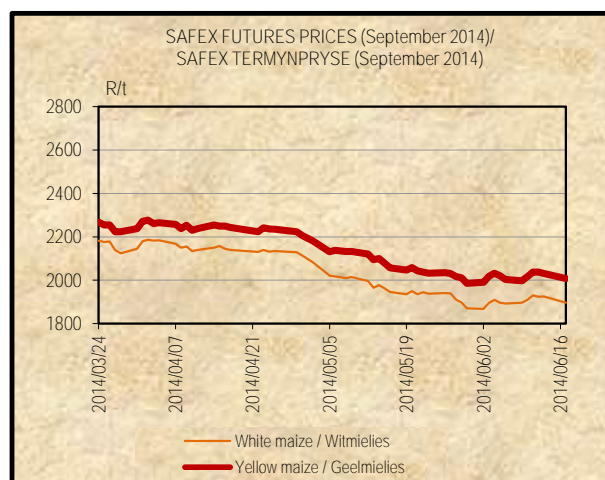
## 7. ZIMBABWE CROP PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION CONTINUED

### Producer Prices

South African Grain Information Services (SAGIS)

South African Foreign Exchange (SAFEX 4th July 2014)

Commodity	Rand/tonne	US\$/Tonne	Import Parity Rand/Tonne	Import Parity US\$/Tonne
White Maize	1765	165	2615	244
Yellow Maize	1874	177	2724	257
Wheat	3715	350	4565	431
Soyabeans	4671	441	5521	521
Sunflowers	5290	499	6140	579

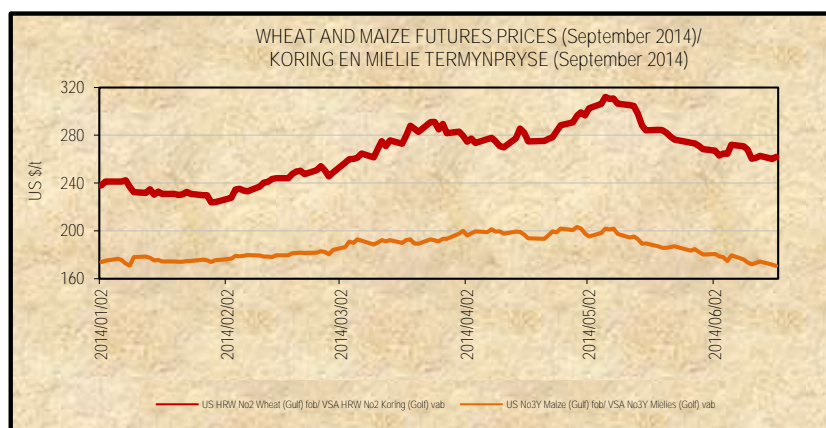
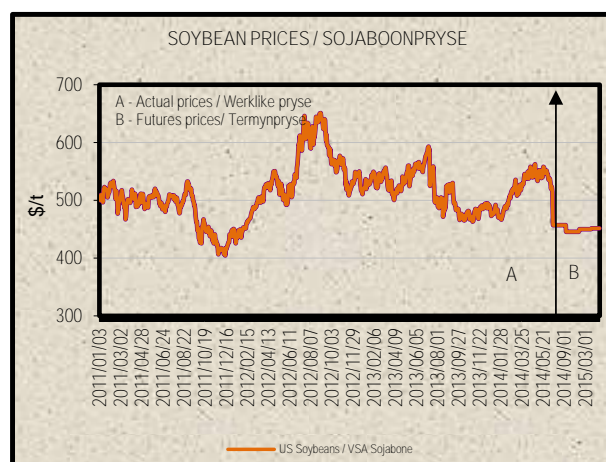
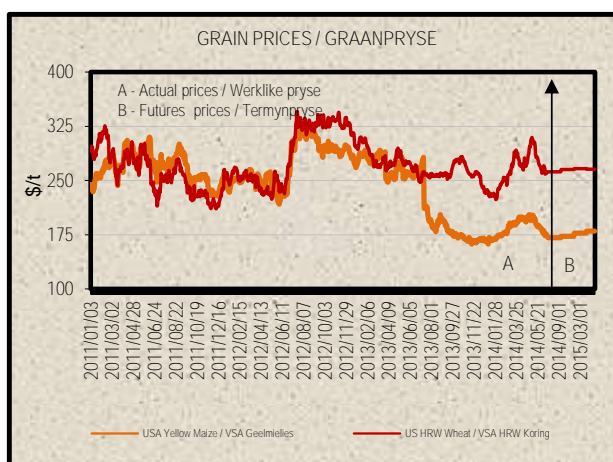


### International Gulf

International Gulf		
Commodity	US\$/Tonne	Import Parity
		US\$/Tonne
Wheat	314	464
Maize	203	353
Sorghum	235	385
Soyabeans	551	701

— Increase  
— Decrease  
— No Change

## 7. ZIMBABWE CROP PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION CONTINUED



<u>FERTILIZER</u>	Profert 04-303054 or 0774 699 625	ZFC Limited 04-753882 or 753890
<b>Double 'D' Blend</b>	780	14-28-14 ~ 910.00
Tobacco Blend	920	6-28-23 ~ 980.00
Potato Blend	816	<b>Comp "S" 7:21:8.</b> 0.06B ~ 970
Sugar Blend	714	16:16:16 ~ 840
J Blend	753	15:5:20 ~ 750
Cotton Blend	679	<b>Comp "L"</b> - 680
S Blend	734	<b>Comp "S" 7:21:8.</b> 760
Lawn Fert	858	Lawn Blend 25:05:05 ~ 750.00
Urea	694	720
Black Urea	765	Not in stock
AN	690	34.5% N ~ 700
Potassium Nitrate	1655	1400
Calcium Nitrate	816	840
NOTES	Prices are quoted per tone	Prices are quoted per tonne

## 8. CATTLE PRODUCERS' INFORMATION

### GRADE REPORT BY GRADE (\$KG)\_22-05-2014-HEADLANDS

GRADE	DESCRIPTION	QTY	AVG_KG	AMTKG4AVGKG
12	WEANER HEIFER	3	129.33	2.06
3	COMMERCIAL	4	405.25	1.51
30	COMMUNAL WEANER STEER	1	177.00	1.81
4	ECONOMY	19	340.00	1.32
5	MANUFACTURING	2	205.50	1.24
7	FEEDER STEER	7	283.57	1.77

### GRADE REPORT BY GRADE (\$KG)\_17-06-2014-GWERU

GRADE	DESCRIPTION	QTY	AVG_KG	AVG_AMT	AMTKG4AVGKG
	SUPERS	2.00	590.00	1,070.00	1.81
	BULLING HEIFER	6.00	341.00	643.33	1.89
	LONG WEANER HEIFER	5.00	252.00	526.00	2.09
	WEANER HEIFER	11.00	185.45	389.09	2.10
	BULLS	4.00	540.00	802.50	1.49
	COMMERCIAL	35.00	496.00	730.86	1.47
	COMMERCIAL PLUS	3.00	533.33	820.00	1.58
	ECONOMY	27.00	399.81	532.04	1.33
	MANUFACTURING	18.00	356.33	414.44	1.16
	FEEDER STEER	8.00	297.50	448.13	1.51
	LONG WEANER STEER	2.00	257.50	392.50	1.52
	WEANER STEER	13.00	193.08	335.38	1.74

SOMABHULA 16 MAY 2014

GRADE	DESCRIPTION	QTY	AVG_KG	AVG_AMT	AMTKG4AVGKG
10	BULLING HEIFERS	78.00	344.04	760.06	2.21
11	LONG WEANER HEIFER	12.00	236.67	510.00	2.15
12	WEANER HEIFERS	95.00	184.05	418.25	2.27
15	BULLS	8.00	495.63	1,076.25	2.17
3	COMMERCIAL	81.00	487.65	875.80	1.80
4	ECONOMY	136.00	399.41	692.87	1.73
7	FEEDER STEER	19.00	392.26	772.63	1.97
8	LONG WEANER STEER	57.00	255.19	492.28	1.93
9	WEANER STEER	84.00	184.05	361.43	1.96
CC	COW AND CALVES	20.00	480.70	857.50	1.78

## 8. CATTLE PRODUCERS' INFORMATION

GRADE REPORT BY GRADE (\$KG)\_01-07-2014-MT-HAMPDEN-

GRADE	DESCRIPTION	QTY	AVG KG	AMTKG/AVGKG
10	BULLING HEIFER	17	340.65	1.64
11	LONG WEANER HEIFER	12	277.17	1.83
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4	ECONOMY	64	366.80	1.44
40	STD SHEEP	10	48.00	1.77
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BULAWAYO SHOWGROUNDS SALE PENS - SALE			COLLEEN BAWN	PLUMTREE
PRICE PER Kg	SLAUGHTER	YOUNGSTOCK		
	<b>25.06.14</b>	<b>20.06.14</b>	<b>24.06.14</b>	<b>17.06.14</b>
BULLS				
SUPERS				
CHOICE	\$2.06			
COM	\$1.72	\$1.43	\$1.38	\$1.43
COM/ECO	\$1.39	\$1.32		
ECO	\$1.31	\$1.25	\$1.20	\$1.25
MAN	\$1.10	\$1.10		
BULLS		\$1.48		\$1.43
F/STEERS		\$1.52	\$1.42	\$1.39
B/HEIFERS		\$1.61		
W/STEERS		\$1.82		
W/HEIFERS		\$2.32		
BULLED HEIFERS				
YOUNG BULLS				
LONG W/HEIFERS				

### Forthcoming Cattle Sales

MT HAMPDEN CATTLE SALE EVERY TUESDAYS @ 12 NOON

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See [CATTLE SALE DATES FOR CC SALES NATIONWIDE](#) for July and August 2014 on our website.

## 8. **CATTLE PRODUCERS' INFORMATION**

CC SALES & ZIMBABWE HERD BOOK

Brings you the

46<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL BULL SALE

DATE OF SALE

FRIDAY 25 JULY 2014

ENTRIES INVITED FROM ZHB MEMBERS ONLY & CONDITIONS APPLY.

CONTACT

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Advanced Course Harare

Date: 21<sup>st</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> July \$150

Further details to follow

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## 9. CLASSIFIEDS

### For Rent

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23 JULY 2014

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10 JULY 2014

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26 JUNE 2014

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## 10. REMINDER OF IMPORTANT DATES

### Open Farmer's Meeting

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### 46<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL BULL SALE —

FRIDAY 25 JULY 2014

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