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NOTES from the DEPARTMENT

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE LICENSING UNIT UPDATE

By Frank L. Ribaldo, Agricultural Marketing and Inspection Supervisor

Did you know that the Connecticut Department of Agriculture's Bureau of Regulation and Inspection issues over 15,000 licenses, permits, and product registrations through its Licensing Unit? Revenues from these licenses, permits, and registrations exceed \$1,000,000 annually.

With a staff of one full-time person and three other staff members who assist as necessary, the Licensing Unit processes more than two dozen license types. Licensees come from within Connecticut as well from throughout the entire country. Even several companies from outside of the U.S. are licensed by the Connecticut Department of Agriculture to sell products in this state.

A sampling of licenses the unit handles includes:

- pet shops
- commercial kennels
- training/grooming facilities
- feed, seed, and fertilizer registrations
- livestock dealers
- milk laboratory analysts
- various milk producer and milk dealer licenses

The retail milk license affects almost every Connecticut consumer. There are more than 2,900 stores that sell milk on a retail level to the public.

Effective October 1, 2011, as a result of Public Act 11-187, animal importers are required to register with the department. These rescue organizations that bring companion animals in from outside Connecticut for sale/adoption are now required to meet animal health standards similar to those required of pet shops.

The license types registered with the unit for FY 2012 are as follows:

- Animal Importers: 114
- Bulk Milk Pickup Tankers: 68
- Cheese Manufacturers: 23
- Commercial Kennels: 276
- Commission Sales Stables: 1
- Dog Training Facilities: 123
- Egg Processing Plants: 4
- Equine Auctions: 1
- Feed: 521 companies (>10,000 labels)
- Fertilizer: 288 companies (>4,000 formulas)
- Fur Breeders: 1
- Grooming Facilities: 379
- Poultry Dealer: 68
- Livestock Dealers/Brokers: 31
- Milk Dealers: 71
- Milk Examiners: 136
- Milk Producers: 126
- Milk Subdealers: 90
- Pet Shops: 107
- Poultry Slaughter Facilities: 2
- Raw Milk/Cheese Manufacturers: 5
- Retail Dairy Stores: 2,904
- Retail Raw Milk Producers: 16
- Seed labelers: 73
- Swine Garbage Feeders: 3

NO AG REPORT NEXT WEEK
 The *Connecticut Weekly Agricultural Report* is not published during the weeks of Thanksgiving and Christmas and two other weeks each year, including next week. Look for the next issue September 12, 2012.

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**WHOLESALE TOMATOES
NEW ENGLAND GROWN**

	Low	High
TOMATOES,8qt,Ig	12.00	12.00
TOMATOES,20lb	14.00	20.00
TOMATOES,Chrry,12/1pt	10.00	12.00
TOMATOES,Grp,12/1/2pt	10.00	12.00
TOMATOES,Plm,25lb	8.00	10.00
TOMATOES,10lb,hrIm,xl	20.00	32.00

NEW HOLLAND, PA, HOG AUCTION

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Hogs sold by actual weights, prices quoted by hundred weight.

49-54	220-270 lbs	n/a
	220-300 lbs	61.00-63.00
	300-400 lbs	n/a
45-49	220-300 lbs	58.00-61.00
	300-400 lbs	65.00-70.00
Sows: US 1-3	300-500 lbs	39.00-43.00
	500-700 lbs	43.00-46.00
Boars:	300-700 lbs	9.00-13.50

MIDDLESEX LIVESTOCK AUCTION

Middlefield, August 27, 2012

Live animals brought the following ave. prices per cwt. (Auction will be open Labor Day, September 3)

	Low	High
Bob Calves:		
45-60 lbs.	30.00	35.00
61-75 lbs.	65.00	67.50
76-90 lbs.	70.00	72.50
91-105 lbs.	75.00	77.00
106 lbs. & up	80.00	82.50
Farm Calves	80.00	130.00
Starter Calves	45.00	52.00
Veal Calves	142.00	180.00
Open Heifers	87.50	105.00
Beef Heifers	88.00	100.00
Beef Steers	90.50	101.00
Feeder Steers	85.00	125.00
Stock Bulls	80.00	142.50
Beef Bulls	98.00	110.00
Boars	n/a	n/a
Sows	one at	37.50
Butcher Hogs	100.00	105.00
Goats each	95.00	135.00
Kid Goats	32.50	80.00
Canners	Up to	71.50
Cutters	72.00	74.50
Utility Grade Cows	75.50	78.50
Replacement Heifers	n/a	n/a
Rabbits each	5.00	22.00
Chickens each	4.00	21.00
Ducks each	3.00	10.00
Feeder Pigs	42.50	80.00
Lambs	145.00	185.00
Sheep	95.00	100.00



**WHOLESALE VEGETABLES
NEW ENGLAND GROWN**

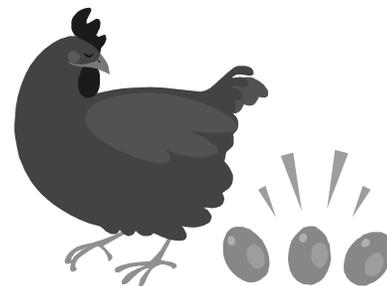
	Low	High
APPLE,Gngr gld,bu,xfcy	32.00	34.00
APPLE,Paula rd,bu,xfcy	30.00	32.00
ARUGULA,24s	11.00	14.00
BEAN,Grn,bu	16.00	22.00
BEAN,Wax,bu	29.00	29.00
BLACKBERRY,12/1/2pt	28.00	30.00
BROCCOLI,Cut,20lb	13.00	14.00
BROCCOLI,14ct	12.00	13.00
CABBAGE,Grn,bx	10.00	12.00
CANTALOUPE,6ct	8.00	10.00
CAULIFLWR,12ct	12.00	13.00
CORN,5dz	8.00	11.00
CUCMBR,1-1/9bu, spr slct	16.00	24.00
CUCMBR,Pcklng,1/2 bu	16.00	18.00
EGGPLANT,1-1/9bu	7.00	9.00
LEEKs,12s	22.00	22.00
NECTARINES,24lb	26.00	28.00
PEACHES,25lb,2-1/2min	22.00	24.00
PEACHES,Wht,25lb	26.00	28.00
PEAR,Bartltt,4/5bu	30.00	32.00
PEAR,Sckl,1/2bu	26.00	26.00
PEPPER,Cubnll,1-1/9bu	8.00	12.00
PEPPER, Grn bll,med	7.00	7.00
PEPPER,Grn bll,1-1/9bu,Ig	8.00	9.00
PEPPER, Grn bll,xl	11.00	12.00
PLUM,Italn,20lb	28.00	30.00
PLUM,Rd,20lb	28.00	30.00
POTATOES,Chef,50lb	13.00	14.00
POTATOES,10lb,sz A	2.00	2.00
SQUASH,Acrn,bu	12.00	14.00
SQUASH,Grn,1/2bu,md	13.00	15.00
SQUASH,Grn,1/2bu,fncy	18.00	20.00
SQUASH,Yllw,1/2bu,md	14.00	18.00
SQUASH,Yllw,1/2bu,fncy	22.00	24.00
SWISS CHRd,24s	15.00	15.00
WATRMLN,lcebX,6ct	8.00	8.00
WATRMLN,Sl,45ct	150.00	150.00

(Boston Terminal and wholesale grower prices)

NEW HOLLAND LIVESTOCK AUCTION

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	Bulk/	High/	Low Dressing
SLAUGHTER COWS:			
Breakers	75-80% lean		
	76.00-79.00	79.00-84.00	69.00-76.00
Boners	80-85% lean		
	74.00-78.50	79.00-82.00	68.00-72.00
Lean	88-90% lean		
	69.00-74.00	74.00-79.50	60.00-68.00
CALVES: All prices per cwt.			
Graded Bull Calves			
	No.1	95-115lbs	100.00-115.00
	No.2	95-125lbs	80.00-100.00
	No.3	75-120lbs	60.00-70.00
Slaughter bulls	980--1680lb	-	99.00-103.00
Holstein Heifers	No.1	80-100lb	110.00-135.00
SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Non-Traditional Markets:			
Wooled & Shorn Choice and Prime 2-3			
	50-60lbs	122.00-122.00	
	70-80lbs	114.00-120.00	
	80-90lbs	n/a	
	90-110lbs	n/a	
	110-130lbs	n/a	



**WEEKLY NEW ENGLAND
SHELL EGGS**

Prices paid per dozen. Grade A brown eggs in cartons, delivered store door. (Range)

XTRA LARGE	1.60-1.79
LARGE	1.51-1.69
MEDIUM	1.03-1.10

NORTHEAST EGG PRICES USDA

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Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A and Grade A+, white eggs in cartons, per dozen. (Range)

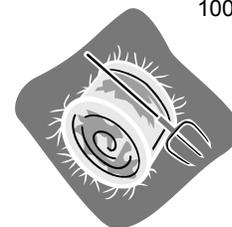
EXTRA LARGE	1.16-1.20
LARGE	1.14-1.18
MEDIUM	.89-.95

PENNSYLVANIA HAY REPORT

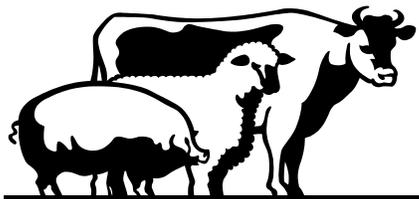
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Eastern Pennsylvania, prices per ton.

Alfalfa, Premium	235.00-410.00
Alfalfa, Good	160.00-235.00
Mixed Hay, Premium	260.00-470.00
Mixed Hay, Good	170.00-215.00
Timothy, Premium	300.00-370.00
Timothy, Good	175.00-215.00
Straw	100.00-240.00



130-150lbs n/a	
Wooled & Shorn Choice 2-3	
40-60lbs n/a	
60-80lbs	104.00-118.00
80-90lbs n/a	
90-110lbs n/a	
SLAUGHTER EWES: Good 2-3: Med. Flesh	
80-100lbs n/a	
100-130lbs	n/a
120-160lbs	68.00-78.00
Utility 1-2: Thin Flesh	
80-100lbs	-n/a
120-160lb	-n/a
SLAUGHTER GOATS: All goats are Selection 1, sold by the head, on est. weights.	
30-40lbs	n/a
80-90lbs	104.00-112.00
80-120lbs	104.00-150.00
Nannies/Does:80-130lb	100.00-120.00
130-180lbs	130.00-140.00
Bucks/Billies: 100-150lbs	150.00-198.00
150-250lbs	180.00-247.00



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4-R. Gallagher electric fencing for farms, horses, deer control, gardens, & beehives. Sonpal's Power Fence 860-491-2290.

6-R. Packaging for egg sales. New egg cartons, flats, egg cases, 30 doz and 15 doz. Polinsky Farm 860-376-2227.

9-R. Rough sawn lumber, fence boards, trailer planks, tomato stakes, custom and portable sawing 203-788-2430.

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127 Polled Hereford Bull-\$950, 16' Conveyor-\$300. J & S Farm, New Milford, CT 203-770-4199.

128. **Plainfield** Two large pieces of land total 141 acres, 1700' road frontage. 3000' on Quinebaug River, boarded by Quinebaug State Wildlife Management area. 27 acres hay, 39 acres crop, possible subdivision, horse farm, golf course or recreation use. \$1,095,000. Call Clint Charter, Wallace Tustin Tetreault Realty 860-558-3908.

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7-R. Farm/Land Specializing in land, farms, and all types of Real Estate. Established Broker with a lifetime of agricultural experience and 40 years of finance. Representing both Buyers and Sellers. Call Clint Charter of Wallace-Tustin Realty (860) 644-5667.

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113. Pasture Land for rent. 17 acre pasture for summer rental. Fertilized, with pasture shelter and automated drinker. Suitable for cattle or horses. \$500/month. 860-364-5019.

WANTED

125-R 1-2 cords of White Birch Logs, 3 inch to 5 inch Diameter in lengths of 6 to 12 feet. 203-866-5757. Ask for Vince.

The Connecticut Weekly Agricultural Report accepts news and announcements from local nonprofit agricultural organizations for potential publication on a first-come, first-served basis, as space permits. Submissions should be no more than 150 words and in text format (no PDFs). Email to Linda.Piotrowicz@ct.gov. There is no guarantee that submissions will be published.

CT DEPT OF AGRICULTURE LICENSING UNIT UPDATE (continued from Page 1)

In the fall of 2011, the Licensing Unit went online at <https://www.elicense.ct.gov> and since has transitioned the majority of its licenses to this state E-License system. The effort has been a collaboration among the Departments of Agriculture, Consumer Protection, and Public Health.

Now, in addition to being able to verify licenses issued by the Department of Agriculture, anyone can look online for the license status of individuals and companies in more than 100 job and business categories, such as electricians, plumbers, home improvement contractors, veterinarians, and livestock dealers, to name a few.

Many license, permit, and registration renewals are now processed electronically. As the system matures, it is anticipated that completion of applications and renewals will be possible via the Internet. The goal is to reduce reliance on manually entering data each license renewal cycle.

This effort has involved many months of intensive collaboration among the leadership and staff at all three agencies involved. Additional state agencies are scheduled to join the license renewal and data-reporting system soon. The online service provides a valuable resource for Connecticut residents and will reduce the amount of staff time, paper, and postage spent hand processing thousands of license applications and renewals each year.

For more information about agricultural licenses in Connecticut, please call the 860-713-2512, or e-mail aglicensing@ct.gov. The Licensing Unit is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

CT NOFA CHEESE MAKING WORKSHOP SEPT 10

Join dairy farmer and cheese making professional Paul Trubey from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. on September 10, 2012, at Beltane Farm in Lebanon, for a hands-on workshop that will teach you how to produce your own fresh seasonal goat's milk cheeses. Learn the process of making different kinds of cheese from start to finish and end the day with a sample of your own cheese to take home with you.

This workshop is a great opportunity for farmers and food lovers to learn the technical details of cheese making from a well established and knowledgeable instructor. Space is limited to 20 people. Cost is \$45 for NOFA members and beginning farmers, and \$55 for non-members. For information and registration, please visit www.ctnofa.org or call 203-888-5146.

UConn CORNUCOPIA FEST SEPT 23

Come spend a fun and informative day at your College of Agriculture and Natural Resources. Cornucopia Fest will be held Sunday, September 23, 2012, at the University of Connecticut, Route 195 and North Eagleville Road in Storrs.

Exhibits and demonstrations from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; alumni sale at 11:00 a.m.; alumni auction at 1:00 p.m. Do the Cornucopia Challenge, enter to win a kayak, take a guided hike in the UConn Forest, talk to UConn scientists, visit Horizon Wings' rescued raptors, learn about landscaping with native plants, tour the UConn composting facility, learn about functional foods, bring a half cup of garden or lawn soil for a free pH test and limestone recommendations, see antique farm equipment and horse carriages, visit the farms, have an ice cream cone at the Dairy Bar, and much more. Admission is free and everyone is invited! Visit www.cornucopia.uconn.edu for more information.

PROCUREMENT WORKSHOPS TO BE HELD THIS FALL

The U.S. Small Business Administration's Connecticut District Office and the Connecticut Procurement Technical Assistance Program have teamed up with the Manchester Community College Entrepreneur Center and Three Rivers Community College to present the following procurement workshops:

- Friday, September 7, 2012, 1:00 to 3:30 p.m., Manchester Community College Arts and Education Center, 903 Main Street, Manchester: *Doing Business with the State of Connecticut, the 169 Towns and Cities, and the Metropolitan District Commission (MDC).*
- Friday, September 14, 2012, 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Three Rivers Community College (Room B-127), Norwich: *Set-Aside Programs and Searching for Federal and State Bids.*
- Friday October 5, 2012, 1:00 to 3:30 p.m., Manchester Community College Arts and Education Center: *Registering Your Company for Eligibility to Win Government Contract Awards and Marketing to Government Agencies.*
- Friday November 2, 2012, 1:00 to 3:30 p.m., Manchester Community College Arts and Education Center: *Set-Aside Programs and Searching for Federal and State Bids.*
- Friday December 7, 2012, 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Three Rivers Community College (Room B-127): *Registering Your Company for Eligibility to win Government Contract Awards and Marketing to Government Agencies.*

Pre-registration is suggested but not mandatory. To register contact Lisa Powell at 860-240-4892 or lisa.powell@sba.gov.

PROVIDE INPUT TO GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL

The Governor's Council for Agricultural Development is creating a strategic plan for Connecticut agriculture. As part of that effort, it seeks input from agricultural stakeholders in Connecticut.

To respond, go to http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/GCAD_Stakeholder_Input_Aug_Sept_2012. Your input will help shape the council's work as it develops recommendations on ways to increase consumer spending on Connecticut Grown food and farm products and on ways to strengthen the agricultural industry in the state as a whole. Deadline to respond is September 30, 2012.

CT AG FAIR SEASON UNDERWAY

Connecticut's agricultural fair season is underway, with a wide assortment of local, 4-H, district, and major fairs around the state through the fall. Fairs coming up this week and next include:

- [Haddam Neck Fair](#), August 31, Sept. 1, 2 & 3, 2012
- [Woodstock Fair](#), August 31, Sept. 1, 2 & 3, 2012
- [Goshen Fair](#), September 1, 2 & 3, 2012
- [Hebron Harvest Fair](#), September 6, 7, 8, & 9, 2012
- [North Haven Fair](#), September 6, 7, 8 & 9, 2012
- [Wapping Fair](#), September 6, 7, 8 & 9, 2012
- [Bethlehem Fair](#), September 7, 8 & 9, 2012
- [Ledyard Fair](#), September 7, 8 & 9, 2012
- [Granby Grange Agricultural Fair](#), September 8, 2012
- [Meriden Grange Fair](#), September 8, 2012
- [Norfield Grange Agricultural Fair & Market](#), Sept. 9, 2012



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