



# Review of the

# 2012/13 season

It was anticipated that 2012/13 would produce a smaller crop than the previous year's bumper crop, but the drop in production reported surpassed the expectation.

- 30% to the national fresh produce markets;
- and 45% were exported.

Juice processing, the national fresh produce markets and export volumes were down by 44%, 22% and 39% respectively, compared to 2011/12 figures.

The smaller than expected crop resulted in less levies being collected than initially budgeted for. As a result, SALGA's services and levy collection procedures will be evaluated and managed accordingly to ensure that members contribute fairly and receive the maximum value from the Association for their contributions. **ST**

## Rudolf Badenhorst SUBTROP

A 4 930 metric ton litchi crop was reported for the 2012/13 production season. It is definitely a more reserved harvest compared to the 7 759 metric ton that was reported in the 2011/12 season, but it is still substantially better than the 2 477 metric ton that was reported four years ago in the 2008/09 season.

The 4 930 metric ton crop is a 36% drop in production compared to 2011/12. The breakdown per distribution channel for the 2012/13 crop was as follows:

- 25% were delivered for juicing;

Total litchi production 2001 – 2013

| Year  | Juice     |    | Municipal markets |    | Export  |    | Total    |
|-------|-----------|----|-------------------|----|---------|----|----------|
|       | Tons      | %  | Tons              | %  | Tons    | %  | Tons     |
| 01/02 | 0         | 0  | 1 842.5           | 44 | 2 366.7 | 56 | 4 209.20 |
| 02/03 | 0         | 0  | 2 657.1           | 31 | 5 896.7 | 69 | 8 553.80 |
| 03/04 | 0         | 0  | 2 754.7           | 35 | 5 087.1 | 65 | 7 841.80 |
| 04/05 | 0         | 0  | 1 419.3           | 36 | 2 500.2 | 64 | 3 919.50 |
| 05/06 | 0         | 0  | 1 703.9           | 49 | 1 752   | 51 | 3 455.90 |
| 06/07 | 0         | 0  | 2 369.6           | 40 | 3 545.7 | 60 | 5 915.30 |
| 07/08 | 1624      | 19 | 2 520.9           | 29 | 4 440   | 52 | 8 584.90 |
| 08/09 | 251.897   | 10 | 1 067.932         | 43 | 1 158   | 47 | 2 477.83 |
| 09/10 | 319.758   | 6  | 1 919.462         | 33 | 3 509   | 61 | 5 748.22 |
| 10/11 | 637.351   | 12 | 1 972.07          | 38 | 2 606   | 50 | 5 215.42 |
| 11/12 | 2 247.705 | 29 | 1 880.81          | 24 | 3 631   | 47 | 7 759.52 |
| 12/13 | 1 244.487 | 25 | 1 462.92          | 30 | 2 223   | 45 | 4 930.44 |