

CGA GROUP

Grower Levies Working for You in March 2013

	DAFF approached CGA in February requesting assistance in scheduling CBS orchard inspections. I built DAFF the online CBS INSPECTION PLANNING TOOL. We hope this is the precursor to online phytosanitary registrations in future! Paul Hardman – Industry Affairs Manager <i>ph@cga.co.za</i>	
	March..... the crunch month for finance. Year-end for Citrus Research International and River Bioscience. The finance department is very busy finalising the companies' books for annual financial audit by PriceWaterHouseCoopers. Henry Skinner - Administrator: Financial & Information Systems <i>hs@cri.co.za</i>	
	During the month of March I finished the final applications of several fungicides to be evaluated for CBS and Alternaria brown spot control respectively. I also continued the evaluation of alternative and more environmentally friendly nematicides in two different soil characterised areas of Mpumalanga. Charl Kotze - Plant Pathology Technician <i>CKotze@cri.co.za</i>	
	I'm working on reducing the False codling moth populations in the Citrusdal area and currently researching the mortality rates in the insectarium, presenting solutions to ensure a sustainable production of healthy larvae in order to improve production of sterile FCM for rearing purposes. Nevill Boersma - Quality Manager	
	After our first directors' meeting for the year in mid-March, I was able to start planning the Citrus Academy projects for the coming year. I also completed and circulated an information document on AgriBEE implementation, and attended AgriSETA board and committee meetings. Jacomien de Klerk – General Manager <i>jacomien@citrusakademy.org.za</i>	