



Brisbane Market Produce Surveyors

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BUSINESS AND STAFF PROFILES:

Brisbane Market Produce Surveyors (BMPS) and its associated business Market Information Services (MIS) have undertaken the majority of independent produce inspections in the Brisbane Market since mid 1992. BMPS activities now extend well beyond market based inspections and outturn reporting but this is still a very important on-going part of the businesses activities.

Our inspectors/assessors are totally impartial and are involved in inspections and produce assessments on behalf of all sectors of the Industry. Our services are regularly called upon when potential losses arise through transport, handling and storage incidents. We are also involved when disputes or misunderstandings arise between growers and wholesalers or wholesalers and buyers regarding the quality of a particular line of produce.

Producer groups and pack-houses are increasingly asking that their produce be monitored on an ongoing basis for the duration of a season. Such programs are often undertaken on a national basis and we work closely with inspectors/assessors in the other markets at such times.

Our inspection reports clearly set out the findings of our examinations which are always undertaken on a random but representative sample. Our reports are supported by digital photographs. In most instances the report and photographs are dispatched by email on the day of the inspection.

We are experienced in examining wholesaler's records in response to growers concerns even though this has not been a major area of activity in recent years when other Industry initiatives have been in place. Our staff's involvement in compiling the Official Brisbane Daily Market Report, as well as inspections, gives them a good understanding of the quality issues of the day as well as an insight into current prices across

all lines of produce.

Our aim is to have sufficient competent and experienced staff on hand to deal with any requests as quickly as possible. Although most requests for inspections/assessments are best dealt with during market hours we do operate 24/7 as required and can deal with most requests promptly.

Our individual staff members may change from time to time, as occurs in any business, but BMPS's integrity, competency, impartiality and commitment does not change. We are very aware of the importance of our role and the reliance that is placed on our findings.

We take all possible steps to ensure that our inspections/assessments are undertaken without undue delays or time wastage. Our fees and charges are reasonable and we are mindful of our client's expectations in this respect.

Our Staff:

Jon Brewer has been the principal of BMPS since 2000. In that role, Jon is responsible for overseeing the businesses operations as well as being directly involved in most of the inspections and other activities. Jon has worked in various capacities in the Brisbane Market for more than seventeen years and most of that time has been as a market reporter/inspector with MIS and BMPS. Jon has been directly involved in nearly all of the inspection activities for the past ten years and is well known and respected throughout the Industry. Jon is also the principal of MIS.

Owen Baxter is a recent addition to the BMPS team who brings a wealth of experience. Owen has an Advanced Diploma in Horticulture as well as a Certificate in Horticulture. He has a long history of employment at a senior level in the Horticultural Industry as well as more than twenty years experience as a District Plant Quarantine Inspector.

Ben Reilly is another new addition to BMPS. Ben comes from a farming background which is the source of his sound practical knowledge. At the time of writing, Ben is completing the final semester of a degree in Agribusiness.

The final member of the inspection team, at this time, is Trevor Brewer who has a back up role should assistance be required for any reason. Trevor has recently retired after 30 years in the Brisbane Market where he held the positions of District Inspector, Inspector of Agents Accounts and Senior Market Reporter, all with DPI, and later as the founder and principal of BMPS and MIS.