

New study: Organic milk cuts eczema in children and boosts breast milk

A NEWLY PUBLISHED scientific study shows that the incidence of eczema in infants fed on organic dairy products, and whose mothers also consumed organic dairy products, is 36% lower than in children who consume conventional dairy products.

The scientists' hypothesis follows the established facts of increased levels of the beneficial conjugated linoleic acid isomers (CLA) found in milk from organically managed cows. A separate recent study confirms that higher levels of conjugated linoleic acids are not only found in cows' milk but also in the breast milk of women consuming organic milk. This therefore underpins the hypothesis that the higher levels of CLAs in the breast milk of organic milk drinking mothers are a key mechanism in reducing eczema, as well as the organic dairy diet of the infants themselves.

Organic Wine Success in open class shows

ORGANIC WINE, ONCE scoffed at by connoisseurs, is now some of the most successful wine produced in Australia and indeed internationally. While there are many well-recognised wines, here are some recent wins reported by organic vignerons:

Francois and Lyn Retief of **Retief Organic Wines** received Bronze medals for their 2006 Shiraz in the first two wine shows they entered – this year's Cowra Wine Show and the Australia/ New Zealand Organic Wine Show in Melbourne. Phone 02 6922 1618 or email retiefs@sctelco.net.au

Broombee Organic Orchard and Vineyard, while also known for its award winning table and oil varieties of olives, was successful winning awards at two recent open class wine shows. The vineyard's 2005 Shiraz/ Cabernet won Bronze among 352 entries at the Mudgee Wine Show 2007. The 2005 Pinot Noir also won Bronze among 198 entries at the Dubbo Hot Climate Wine Show 2007. When asked what had been the backbone to the success of his vineyard, Barrie Comer stated simply: "We've always managed his vineyard organically as we wished to give our customers the best possible product."

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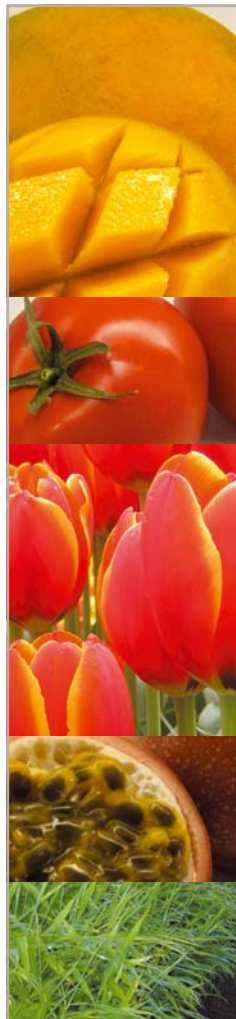
2007 couldn't have been more successful for **Krinklewood Vineyard**. Owner Rod Windrim describes the year Krinklewood "became Certified Biodynamic, won Gold [for the 07 Semillon] in Melbourne and then it also got Best White at the Organic and Biodynamic wine show".

"We launched our new Biodynamic Krinklewood labels and our new sub \$14 'wild' range. Is there time for more?!" Recently, the results of the Adelaide Royal Show have boosted the medal tally yet again, with another two silvers (07 Verdelho, 07 Semillon).

"Now we are seeing Krinklewood stand up against some of the best wines in the country, and to me this brilliantly reinforces the biodynamic approach is the way forward for us."

Krinklewood Vineyard was awarded four-and-a-half stars in the 2008 James Halliday Australian Wine Companion. Four of their wines were awarded more than 90 points.

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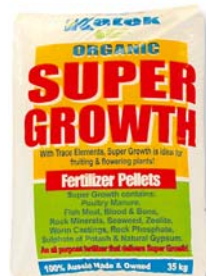
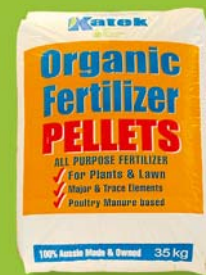
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