

COUNTY CIRCULAR

Derbyshire Young Farmers

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The following people will be happy to help you with any queries:

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FORTHCOMING COMPETITIONS

PANTOMIME (Northern Semi-final) - Sunday 5th April

Congratulations to Pleasley YFC on winning the Area eliminator, they were placed second in the National Semi-final with Kate Reeves taking the best actress award for her portrayal of Simple Sally at both rounds. Well done to Buxton who were placed second in the Area competition with Terry Fullager getting the best actor award.

FENCE ERECTING, EFFICIENCY WITH SAFETY AND JUNIOR FARM SAFETY -

Sunday 19th April *Southern Region Secretary - Cordelia Cudworth (07791 769366)*

Being held by kind permission of the Archer Family at Bradley, near Ashbourne commencing at 10.00 am. Entries should have been in on 2nd April.

Teams in the fence erecting competition to provide all their own fencing materials for this round, as per rule book.

STOCKMAN AND YOUNG STOCKJUDGE OF THE YEAR - Monday 27th April

North West Region Secretary - Richard Eley (07877 184217)

This competition has been moved forward a month so please can you forward the entries by **Monday 13th April**.

The Beef and Sheep judging will be held at Middleton House Farm, Wheston, Tideswell by kind permission of Mr and Mrs R Furness and the Dairy judging will be just up the road at Middle Farm by kind permission of Mr and Mrs D Furness. The competition will commence at **7.30pm**.

COUNTY RALLY - Saturday 16th May

Rally Secretary - Caroline Spray (07966 484181)

Hurst Farm, Tibshelf by kind permission of the Elliott Family. The Rally Dance will be held on site subject to licensing permission and camping maybe available with a ground rent charge. The North East Region will provide the bar and there will be a Hog Roast.

Clubs should now have the Schedule and the closing date for entries is **Friday 1st May** and any none members who wish to compete should be signed up (membership form logged in County Office) by Saturday 2nd May.

The Dairy Judging classes will be held prior to the event on **Thursday 7th May** at Locko Lane Farm, Pilsley by kind permission of the Hayes Family and the Carcase and Pig Judging classes will be held on **Tuesday 12th May** at Top Farm, Calow by kind permission of the Elliott Family both evenings commencing at 7.30 pm.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 18th May - East Midlands Area Committee Meeting

Thursday 21st May - Events and Activities Committee Meeting

Thursday 28th May - Finance and Management Committee Meeting

COUNTY OFFICE

There will be nobody in County Office after Friday 17th April until Tuesday 28th April. In an emergency contact either the County Chairman, Robert Platts or County Vice Chairman, Stacey Bush (numbers on front cover)

PUBLICITY - Becky Platts - dfyfcpublicity@live.co.uk

If you would like to book the publicity trailer for an event or show please contact Becky

Please send photographs of club events, details of money raised for charity and dates of forthcoming events.

AREA CONVENTION - SKEGNESS

Congratulations to the winners who will be representing the Area in the National Finals:

Junior Speaking - Rebecca Gratton (Buxton), Charlotte Easom (Ashover) and Daniel Hays (Pleasley)

Brainstrust - Phil Brittain, Will Batterbee (Buxton) Helen Yates and Alex Birch (Bakewell)

Call my Bluff - Lydia Slack, Katie Mellor, Sarah Hodgkinson (Buxton)

Ballroom Dancing - Georgina Mosley, Richard Eley, Louisa Robinson, Joe Birch (Bakewell)

Hockey - Ashbourne

Bowling - Bakewell (Not a National competition)

..... and thanks to everyone else who took part Derbyshire were placed first and second overall and retained the sports trophy.

AREA PUBLIC SPEAKING

Congratulations to Anna Taylor (Buxton), Jess Hayes (Derby) and Alex Birch (Bakewell) on winning the area competition and especially Jess who received an award for being the best speaker. The other team were placed a very commendable 3rd.

NATIONAL CONVENTION 2009 - BLACKPOOL Friday 1st - Sunday 3rd May

Good Luck to Bakewell's Ballroom Dancing team who will be representing the East Midlands area in the National Final. Also the written pub quiz teams from Pleasley and Melbourne.

Just to remind you all that if anyone turns up at convention, and we cannot find their record on the database, they will be turned away. Any members after the deadline, **Friday 17th April** they will not be on our convention database in Blackpool with us, and will be turned away at the door, even if we have a county organiser/secretary/club chairman/county chairman/council member/Lionel Hill himself tell us that they are a member! If anyone is not on the database, they are not coming in because they will not be insured.

Only people aged 17 and above can get tickets for this years convention. Those are aged between 17 and 18, must have a signed parental consent form sent in advance. **No sales will be made to under 18s on the day**

If you turn up without your current membership card you will not be allowed into the event and if your photo isn't on your card, is defaced, or doesn't bare a true likeness of you, then you will not be allowed to collect or buy a wristband. You still need to bring ID even when you have your membership card and wristband - your wristband and membership card does not prove to anyone that you are over or under 18. The bars inside the arena and the local bars will only accept valid ID for serving alcohol (passport, driving licence and proof of age card)

If you wish to upgrade your package to include more days you can do this on the day, but you will pay 'on-the-day' prices for the upgrade, You must be over 18 to upgrade. No refunds or swaps can be made.

The latest time you can get into the Winter Gardens is Midnight each night and men must wear a tie on Friday evening.

Information about the Annual Convention is on the website

www.nfyfc.org.uk/annualconvention.html

DISCOVERY

Discovery Co-ordinator - Richard Wainwright (07971 865944)

We have been asked to host a young lady from Norway 20th -25th May. If anyone would like to provide the accommodation please let Richard know or contact County Office

CLUB EXCHANGE

PROGRAMME POINTERS

County Roadshow - contact Stacey Bush - 07973 828741

If you have a good club meeting - please share it with others!

SNOWPLOUGHING OUR WAY THROUGH THE ALPS! 1st - 9th January 2010

Area Co-ordinator - Caroline Spray - 07966 484181 Caroline.spray@btinternet.com

Join 100's of other YFC members on the Piste in the fantastic 3 Valleys resort of **Val Thorens!!** It's a credit crunching **BARGAIN price of £349!!** Including Accommodation, Transport & Lift Pass!! The option of flying will be available (but limited) please contact Caroline to let us know how many of you & your club members would be interested in upgrading to a flight option.

Don't miss the 'Official launch of YFC Ski 2010' Sunday 3rd May at 'Walkabout', Blackpool at the Annual Convention! Please contact your Area Reps for more information & to let us know you are interested in going on the trip. Or Join the Facebook Group: YFC Ski

200 CLUB

200 Club Co-ordinate - Kate Wainwright (07980 850992)

The March draw has not yet taken place but if you would like to join please contact Kate.

DAIRY HERDSPERSON - MOULTON COLLEGE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

The College farm combines dairy, arable, sheep and beef enterprises and provides students with a range of quality practical activities and experiences whilst operating to high levels of physical and commercial performance. The dairy herd of 400 cows is milked through a modern 36 point rapid exit parlour.

To commence as soon as possible, we seek a dynamic, motivated and flexible individual to join our dairy team. Salary: £19,787.00 - £23,408.00 per annum. You will have current dairy experience and will be seeking to improve and expand your skills and knowledge whilst working in a challenging and progressive environment. Accommodation will be provided.

For an informal discussion please contact: Roger Pyle on 07764 310656 or e-mail a CV to roger.pyle@moulton.ac.uk

FARMERS DAUGHTERS - PLEASE READ!

As part of my dissertation, I am looking at women's role in agriculture and want to establish what farmer's daughters aspirations are. If you are female and have been brought up on a farm then you can be in with a chance to win £25 worth of House of Fraser vouchers. In order to enter please complete the survey by clicking on the link below. The survey will only take approximately 5 minutes to complete. The prize winner will be announced once the survey closes after 20th April 2009.

<http://www.survey.bris.ac.uk/harper-adams/farmersdaughtersaspirations>

COMPETITIONS CHAMPIONSHIP

Competition	Asb	Aso	Bak	Bar	Belp	Bux	Der	Vall	Mel	Ple	Sma
TOTAL B/F	65.5	36	97.5	33	23.5	104	57	40.5	9	61	1
Senior Member	5		7.5	10		7.5	9	5		5	
Junior Quiz	3	10	6	3	1	8	9	3		6	6
Senior Quiz	9	6	10	3	1	6	3	3		8	6
TOTAL	82.5	52	121	49	25.5	125.5	78	51.5	9	80	13
Position	3 rd	6 th	2 nd	8 th	9 th	1 st	5 th	7 th	11 th	4 th	10 th

MEMBERSHIP FIGURES - 31 March 09

CLUB	MEMBERS	ASSOCIATE	TOTAL
ASHBOURNE	85	05	90
ASHOVER	43	00	43
BAKEWELL	72	03	75
BARLOW	16	01	17
BELPER	40	07	47
BUXTON	51	00	51
DERBY	27	00	27
HOPE VALLEY	59	11	70
MELBOURNE	07	00	07
PLEASLEY	42	08	50
SMALLEY	12	01	13
TOTAL	454	36	490

CONGRATULATIONS.....

If you have any club announcements i.e. births, marriages, engagements, extraordinary exam or career achievements, send details to County Office