

COUNTY CIRCULAR

Derbyshire Young Farmers

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FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT – JO STUBBS – Tel: 01335 345156 / 07792 283438 (M)

FORTHCOMING COMPETITIONS:

Members will be required to show Membership Cards at all County, Area and National Competitions!

Speaking and Quizzes Co-ordinator - Robert Platts (07779 056107) -

johnrobertplatts@hotmail.co.uk

Junior Member of the Year and YFC Ambassador - Thursday 17th February

The junior competition will be held at the BASSETT ROOMS, ASHOVER (near the church, opposite the Crispin Pub). The senior competition will be held in the upstairs room at the OLD POETS PUB (just down the road from the Bassett Rooms)

Competitors should arrive for 8pm when a draw for order of competing will take place. The senior synopsis form and the junior portfolio should be submitted by 27th January,

Creative Writing - Thursday 5th March, Duke William, Matlock

The Area round of this competition will now take place at Skegness and therefore we need to run the County round earlier than at the Rally. An entry form is enclosed

Performing Arts Co-ordinator - Bob Dronfield (07805 337754) -

jimbobdronfield@hotmail.co.uk

Jazz Dance - Saturday 5th February

Belper Sports Centre at 8pm

Entertainment - Sunday 20th February

Ashover Village Hall, commencing at 2pm. Entries received from Ashbourne, Buxton and Bakewell will these clubs please send their cast list including name of production, producer, helpers etc to County Office by 10th February.

Area Entertainment - Sunday 27th February

Majestic Theatre, Retford, Nottinghamshire at 2pm.

Sports Co-ordinator - Neil Reddish (07747 467284) - neil_reddish@hotmail.com

Team Swimming - Saturday 12th February

Etwell Leisure Centre, John Port School, DE65 6LU at 7.30 pm - To Be Confirmed

AREA ELIMINATORS TAKING PLACE AT SKEGNESS

The teams representing Derbyshire are:

Junior Reading

- A. Emma Poole (Buxton), Emily Smith (Buxton) & Joanne Gregory (Bakewell)
- B. Daniel Hays (Pleasley), Erin Allen (Derby) & Abbie Eaton (Derby)

Just a Minute

- A. Scarlett Allen (Derby), Cat Thaw (Bakewell), Andrew Gregory-Campeau (Buxton) & Hannah Gregory-Campeau (Buxton)
- B. Ruth Rastrick (Ashover), Ben Chadfield (Ashbourne), Faye Russell (Derby) & Joe Birch (Bakewell)

Junior Speaking

- A. Jack Wootton (Ashover), Andrew Gregory-Campeau (Buxton) & Charlie Mycock (Bakewell)
- B. Laura Poole (Buxton), Louisa Robinson (Bakewell) & Chloe Redfearn (Buxton)

After Dinner Speaking

- A. Libby Bettney, Helen Yates, Joe Birch, Alex Birch & Louisa Robinson (Bakewell)
- B. Neil Reddish (Pleasley), Sean Brister (Derby). Katie Mellor, Hannah Mosley & David Batterbee (Buxton)

Senior Speaking (not at Skegness)

- A. James Gregory-Campeau (Buxton), Hannah Mosley (Buxton) & Helen Yates (Bakewell)
- B. Dawn Wainwright (Ashbourne), Alex Birch (Bakewell) & Jonathan Hayes (Pleasley)

FREE Sheep Handling Workshop

Thursday 3rd February 2011 10.30am - 3.00pm

RB Elliott & Son, Calow, Chesterfield, S44 5UN

Courtesy of Stephen Elliott

Places are strictly limited to 20. Ring Hellen and Sandra on 0870 609 1840 or 01904 771211 or email brpevents@eblex.org.uk to book your **FREE** place.

HEDGE CUTTING COURSES

Brailsford & District Ploughing & Hedgecutting Society hold annual "Hedgecutting Courses", that are run at weekends by Champion Hedgecutters. There is a small fee for this course.

If anyone is interested could you please contact Anthony Archer of Park view, Yew Tree Lane, Bradley, Ashbourne, Derbyshire, DE6 1PG tel 01335 370196.

PUBLICITY

Publicity Officer - Dawn Wainwright (07815 188582) - hd2703@hotmail.co.uk

CLUB SHIRTS

VIP (Visual Impact Promotions) from Derby (who did the County polo, hoodies and rugby shirts last year) have moved to a new unit not far from Friargate in Derby city centre. The new details are as follows:

Telephone :- 01332 209834

Email:- vipderby@hotmail.com

Address:- 5 Coburn Place, Newland Street, Derby, DE1 1JT

They can source, print and embroider all sorts of clothing and if you explain you're making an order foryoung farmers club then you automatically get a % discount

COUNTY AGM

Bob Dronfield from Bakewell YFC was elected County Chairman with Jo Stubbs from Ashbourne YFC as Vice Chairman. Stacey Bush from Derby YFC was elected Treasurer with Alex Birch from Bakewell YFC as Assistant Treasurer.

Ruth Slack was re-elected as President of the Federation. Dave Clayton, Ellis Oldfield, Robert Platts, Caroline Spray, Peter Winfield were elected as Vice Presidents. It was agreed that the County levy remain at £23.00 per member.

Trophy winners were:

Mrs McWilliam Award for girl giving outstanding service - Jo Stubbs, Ashbourne YFC

Junior Achievement Award (Male) - Jack Wootton, Ashover YFC

Michelle Gratton Junior Achievement Award (Female) - Megan Dilks, Bakewell YFC

County Award - Neil Reddish, Pleasley YFC

Lamb Cup for club winning Club Efficiency - Ashbourne YFC

Robert Barke Membership Award - Derby YFC

Birch Claret Jug to club gaining most points in competitions - Bakewell YFC

Chris Birch Award for member giving outstanding service - Bob Dronfield

DISCOVERY

Discovery Co-ordinator - Bob Dronfield (07805 337754) - jimbobdronfield@hotmail.co.uk

Contact Kate - 01208 893084 or discovery@cornwallyfc.co.uk

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Safeguarding Officer - Stacey Bush (07973 828741)

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Health and Safety Officer -Peter Winfield

For help completing Risk Assessments please contact Peter.

CLUB OFFICER TRAINING

A questionnaire has been e-mailed to Chairmen, Vice Chairmen, Secretaries, Treasurers and Programme Co-ordinators, please complete and return to County Office. The event will then be reviewed and revamped to suit.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 27th January - Finance and Management Committee

Thursday 10th February - Events and Activities Committee

Thursday 24th February - Executive Committee

- **Will you please return ALL Rally trophies to this meeting as they need to be valued.** They will then be presented at the County Rally in May

PROGRAMME POINTERS

CARCASE JUDGING TRAINING - You arrange the venue and David Reast, a former MLC inspector, will come along and give the training. Contact David on 01773 857711 or 07885 860112

HOW RABI SUPPORTS FARMING FAMILIES - [Milly Wastie, Regional Officer East Midlands](#) - Tel: 01604 706681 or Mob: 07525 323450

DISCOVERY PROGRAMME AND VISIT TO EUROPEAN RALLY - Contact Bob Dronfield 07805 337754

DISCOVERY VISIT TO AUSTRIA - contact Richard Adams 07751 003474

DISCOVERY VISIT TO TASMANIA - Contact Dawn Wainwright 07815 188582

COUNTY ROADSHOW - Contact Bob Dronfield 07805 337754

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

200 CLUB

200 Club Co-ordinate - Alex Birch (07595 618300) - alex-in-nz@hotmail.co.uk

November

£50 - Sam Smith

£20 - Sam Archer

£10 - Ruth Battye

£5 - Jennifer Barker

NATIONAL CONVENTION - Blackpool, 6th - 8th May 2011

Booking details have been sent to Club Secretaries. Packages start at £56.00 for 3-day, £48.00 for 2-day and £26.00 for 1-day There is an additional charge of £5.00 per package for Associate Members. The Closing date for discounted advance Entertainments Package Sales and payment is **Friday 18 March 2011**. Members must have attained their 18th birthday on or before Friday 6 May 2011 in order to attend the Annual Convention 2011.

All individuals **MUST** have been a member of a YFC Club for at least **SIX weeks prior to the event**. Therefore all those attending the Annual Convention **MUST BE** fully subscribed members by **25 March 2011**. Entertainments Packages will be available on the days of the event, however members must have a current membership card and their details must have been loaded onto the database at their county office by **25 March 2011**. **If members turn up on the day and they are not registered on the database, they will not be able to attend the event.**

Insurance costs £5.00 per member and the form should be submitted directly to NFU Mutual at Stratford.

Dress code: Friday night - Black Tie (no jeans or trainers); Saturday night - fancy dress themed: 'Song Titles' (no accessories); Sunday night - club shirts.

Butlins at Minehead, Somerset is being viewed as a venue for the 2012 Convention.

AREA CONVENTION - Skegness, 18th - 20th March 2011

- Closing date for the purchase of tickets, priced at £8.00 per night, is **Friday 25th February**. Friday night will be Club Shirts, Saturday will be Fancy Dress. Each county to decide on their own theme (suggestions to County Office - theme will be decided at the Executive Committee meeting on 24th February)
- Counties will be allocated 140 tickets (wristbands) each per night. Once the county has used their allocation the remaining forms will be put in order of arrival and placed on a waiting list. If any counties have not used their full 140 tickets by the closing date of 25th February, they will be sold to the other counties on the waiting list.
- Any tickets still unsold after 25th February will be available for sale at £13 each on a first come first served basis until Friday 11th March.
- No further bookings will be processed after 11th March - if any tickets are still available after that date they will be sold on the door at The Suncastle.
- There will be no swaps or refunds after 11th March.
- ***No one aged under 16 on 18th March 2011 will be able to purchase a ticket (wristband)***

Leadership Development 2011 £80

The Leadership Development 2011 course will be running 4th - 6th March 2011. This course has been specifically designed for those in Club Officer roles; however those who hold County or staff positions are also welcome to attend. The course will take place in Warwickshire with a maximum of 20 places available.

An inspiring weekend which covers the following topics:

- The difference between management and leadership
- Effective communication
- Heading successful meetings
- Basic marketing/promotion skills
- Managing your own professional development
- Legislative requirements within YFC's inc risk assessments
- The basics behind strategic planning.

The Booking form is available from County Office, closing date 18th February 2011
Any questions please contact at joanne.bouchard@nfyfc.org.uk or 02476 857207

COUNTY RALLY -

Chairman - Alex Birch (07595 618300) - alex-in-nz@hotmail.co.uk

Secretaries - Ruth Battye (07971 237814) - battyeruth@hotmail.com

Elise Priestley (07890 264046) - d.priestley@btopenworld.com

The Rally schedule will be approved at the Executive committee meeting on 24th February. Please return all Rally trophies to this meeting as they need to be valued for insurance purposes.

RABI - *Milly Wastie (07525323450) - millywastie@btconnect.com*

FERRELL CATS

Hello I am a nurse from Companion Care vets at Chesterfield and we are currently working with the cats protection to rehome Ferrell cats. We have areas in Chesterfield which have a high number of Ferrell cats, our aim is to catch these cats check them for illnesses, injury, diseases and neuter them and then rehome them into homes if possible or onto farms/small holdings.

I am contacting you to ask if young farmers would have any appropriate homing solutions for any of these cats. They can help with vermin within farms would not need anything more than food which cats protection will cover costs for) and someone just keeping a general eye on them.

We do have a facebook site CHESTERFIELD CATS if you want to contact us via that, we will look forward to hearing from you.

Langford Beef & Sheep Monitor Farm

Open Day -1st February 2011

12pm Lunch & registration. Start 1pm—Finish: 4pm including refreshments

Langford Farm, Moss Lane, Lostock Green, Northwich, Cheshire, CW9 7TG

Please join us to find out more about what has been achieved so far

Guest speaker Robert Parker (Beef & Sheep Monitor Farmer 2004-2007) will give a talk covering;

- *Professional & personal gains achieved through the monitor farm project*
- *Benefits seen by the wider farming community who have been involved with the Monitor Farm Project*
- *Nuffield Scholarship Award 2006; 'Maximising suckler cow profitability using British native breeds'*

To follow, a farm walk led by John Gate accompanied by Darrell Irwin (Willows Vet Group) plus other industry experts that have been actively involved in the project.

Focus areas will be highlighted throughout the farm walk with the opportunity to discuss the changes so far, benefits seen & future plans to address grassland productivity, health, welfare and bio security.

To register for your free place and/or more information and please contact Lesley Innes on 01270 625 131 Ext 308 or e-mail livestocknw@reaseheath.ac.uk Find more information on our website at www.livestocknw.co.uk

THE SNOWPLOUGHING EVENT

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

NFYFC NEWS - <http://www.nfyfc.org.uk>

MEMBERSHIP FIGURES - 31ST December 2010

CLUB	MEMBERS	ASSOCIATE	TOTAL
ASHBOURNE	50	05	55
ASHOVER	37	00	37
BAKEWELL	52	01	53
BARLOW	06	00	06
BELPER	33	00	33
BUXTON	39	00	39
DERBY	28	02	30
HOPE VALLEY	23	01	24
PLEASLEY	26	03	29
SMALLEY	09	00	09
TOTAL	303	12	315

COMPETITIONS CHAMPIONSHIP

Teams must give 7 days notice if they withdraw from a subsequent round or forfeit the points on the competitions table.

Competition	Asb	Aso	Bak	Bar	Belp	Bux	Der	Vall	Ple	Sma
Hockey	10		9		7		6		8	
Football	9		8			10	7			
Dodgeball	2		9		2	10	2	6	8	
Jnr Reading		7	5.5		5.5	10	4	8	9	
Just a minute	7.5	7.5	6			9.5	9.5		5	
County AGM	10	7	10	1	7	6	2	5	4	5
Jnr Speaking	7	8	9		5	10			5	
Snr Speaking	9	4	8		4	10	4		6.5	6.5
After Dinner	6		10			9	7		8	
TOTAL	60.5	33.5	74.5	1	30.5	74.5	41.5	19	53.5	11.5
Position	3rd	6th	1st=	10th	7th	1st=	5th	8th	4th	9th

NATIONAL COMPETITION RESULTS

Young Stock Judge of the Year

6th Alistair Bland, Hope Valley YFC

Live and Carcase Beef

Lizzy Mason (Ashover) 19th & Alice Morley (Hope Valley) 19th (team 18th)

Alex Birch (Bakewell) 8th

Live and Carcase Pig

Richard Adams (Ashbourne) 20th & Alistair Bland (Hope Valley) 17th (team 20th)

Daniel Mycock (Bakewell) 12th

ENGLISH WINTER FAIR (Derbyshire - 10th)

Live Beef - Lucy Thompson (Bakewell) 8th & David Goddard (Bakewell) 10th (team 10th)

Live Lamb - Laura Fotherby (Buxton) 3rd & Joe Birch (Bakewell) 8th (team 4th)

Lamb Carcase - Tom Lawson (Hope Valley) 11th

Pork Carcase - Harry Williams (Hope Valley) 8th & Tom Ducker (Hope Valley) 11th (team 9th)

CONGRATULATIONS.....

Andrew Woodward, Leics County Organiser and his wife on the birth of their daughter Hannah.

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