CHAIRMAN/SECRETARY NEED TO READ THIS OUT!

Derbyshire YFC Weekly Update!

NFYFC Staff Conference Jane will be attending the annual staff conference on

Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th

County Competitions Day on Sunday 3rd February - Some information is still

required and each club secretary has been contacted today requesting this

information asap. The draw for the After Dinner Speaking competition is

attached.

YFC Travel - Due to unforeseen circumstances we now have a space on the

European Rally team and the opportunity for one member to go to Norway on

the YFC Travel Programme. The new application form is attached. Details of

the trips are on the NFYFC website or detailed in the document attached.

Each year the European Rally discusses a topic and this year the theme of

the week is 'Sharing and caring in a Democratic and Inclusive European

Community'. The aim of this year's Rally is that European Rural Youth learn

how to recognise signs of mental illness, develop competences in how to deal

with different situations and to be inspired to bring the learning home to

develop healthy rural communities for the future. For anyone interested in

applying, it will be on a first come first served basis.

East Midlands AGRI event - We've secured some additional speakers - check

out the programme and

<<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/take-control-of-your-future-tickets-53805263>

993> book your place for all or part of the programme.

'Take Control of Your Future'

Bakewell Market, Agricultural Business Centre, 9 February 2.00 - 6.00 pm

Chatsworth Farm Visit, 10 February 9.30 - 12.00 pm

A regional event to meet and discuss future farming and rural topics.

Workshops, debate and enjoy some food, drink and a farm walk.

Guest speakers and panellists include: Rosie East from Defra's ELM -

Environmental Land Management - (Scheme Design Team), David Goodwin -

(Warwickshire FYFC) conservation farming, David Howlett - (Chatsworth Farm

Manager) from farm to retail, Derbyshire young farmers Ben Thornley and Kate

Wainwright- start farming from scratch but stay healthy, Peter Cooper (A

Focus on Nature) - conservation collaboration and Gordon Corner (NFU

Regional Director) - what lies ahead for farmers?

Andy Clark will play and discuss his new

[<http://www.thetopofthetree.uk/the-carbon-farmer>](http://www.thetopofthetree.uk/the-carbon-farmer) Carbon Farmer film. 'The

Carbon Farmer' paints a bright future for UK Peatland conservation,

agriculture and climate action.

Don't forget, book tickets via Eventbrite :

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993> Take Control of Your Future event and there are options for attending

part or the whole programme

Smalley YFC - Sadly the club have taken the decision to close and the

remaining members will be encouraged to join another club.

Other Organisations

 Working in New Zealand - If you know of anyone who would like to work on a

dairy farm in New Zealand starting June 2019 then please read the attached

advert.

YFC Forthcoming Dates !

February:

Friday 1st closing date for EMA Weekend Entertainment Packages

Friday 1st until Monday 18th County Office closed for annual leave.

Saturday 2nd Staffs YFC Turnout Ball

Sunday 3rd County Competitions Day

Monday 4th East Midlands Area Committee meeting

Thursday 7th Executive committee meeting and approval of Rally Schedule

Thursday 7th County trophies (including Rally trophies) to be returned to

either County Office, Hannah G-C, Drew Bailey or Ruth Rastrick before or at

the Exec meeting

Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th EMA Train the Trainer - Mount Cook, Wirksworth.

Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th East Midlands AGRI weekend at Bakewell Market

and Chatsworth Estate.

Friday 15th Hope Valley YFC Valentines Winking Man Do

Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th NFYFC Council Meeting

Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th NFU Conference

Sunday 24th County and EMA Entertainment Competition

March:

Friday 1st - Sunday 3rd EMA Weekend at Cleethorpes - Fancy Dress Theme is

'On Safari'

April:

Saturday 27th County Rally

June:

Saturday 22nd County Mid-Summer Ball

October:

Friday 11th County Dinner and Dance

Please note the Derbyshire YFC website is:

[<http://www.derbyshireyfc.org.uk>](http://www.derbyshireyfc.org.uk) <http://www.derbyshireyfc.org.uk> and the

NFYFC website is: [<http://www.nfyfc.org.uk>](http://www.nfyfc.org.uk) <http://www.nfyfc.org.uk>

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 [<http://www.derbyshireyfc.org.uk/>](http://www.derbyshireyfc.org.uk/) [www.derbyshireyfc.org.uk](http://www.derbyshireyfc.org.uk)

Office Hours:

Monday and Thursday 10.30 am - 4.00 pm

Thursday 8.00 pm - 10.00 pm

Friday 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm