

GLOUCESTERSHIRE YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS

75th Year

Newsletter - 4th November 2011

WELCOME TO ROYAL AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE YFC

RAC have formed a new YFC Club and we look forward to meeting their members during the forthcoming year at various dances, competitions and other events. Their Chairman is Ted Beale 07796060204.



Photographs from the Halloween Ball are still available, go to www.ang-photography.com and contact Allen.

SKITTLES COMPETITION

The closing date for entries is Wednesday 9th November. The date of the competition is Saturday 19th November at Salmon Springs. Please contact County Office if you need an entry form, also available on the website.

PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITIONS

Junior Public Speaking, Junior Reading, Intermediate Braintrust and Senior Debating. Closing date for entries is Friday 11th November. Forms available from County Office or the website.

GLITTER BALL

Friday 23rd December 2011

Centaur Suite, Cheltenham Racecourse

Bulge Disco & Local Hero's

9pm – 2am

Strictly over 16's, 16 & 17 year olds must be YFC members. Formal photo ID will be required.

Tickets:

£15 for members before 8th December

Non-members £20

All tickets £20 from 8th December 2011

WINTER FAIR TRAINING

Thursday 10th Nov – Alistair Albutt's, 7.30pm

Wednesday 16th Nov – Robert Ensor's, 7.30pm

NFU SOUTH WEST CALENDER DATES

Monday 7th November, Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester, GL7 6JS, 7.30pm.

Annual Open Meeting followed by speaker and Q & A with Kevin Pearce (NFU Director of Regions)

Wednesday 9th November, Naunton Dows Golf Club, Naunton, Cheltenham, GL54 3AE, 7.30pm
Clare Rowntree (Economist from NFU HQ) taking on CAP and NFU's Annual Confidence Survey.

Thursday 1st December, Agriculture House, 7.30pm
Andrew Butler (NFU Senior Food & Farming Advisor) and PC Jon Palfrey.

Thursday 8th December, Holiday Inn, Crest Way, Barnwood, Gloucester GL4 3RX, 7pm for 7.30pm,
Julie Girling MEP & Gwyn Jones (NFU Vice President)

We have received the following email:

Hello,

My name is Clare Maggs, I work for Duchy College on the South west Healthy Livestock initiative. We are working with ADAS to organise focus farm meetings for sheep and beef farmers. These are funded so are free to attend and always involve a free feed!! I wondered whether it would be possible for you to somehow advertise these meetings to your members as it would be fantastic to get some younger farmers to them. I have attached the details for the 2 sheep events we have coming up and if you feel it is worthwhile I can forward details for another sheep meeting near Aldsworth and a beef meeting at Bredon? Any help to get this info out to people would be very much appreciated.

Kind regards,

Clare

Please find attached a flyer for a **Beef Focus Farm meeting** on respiratory diseases and winter housing that members might be interested in attending. The meeting is free to attend and a light lunch will be provided.

We have received the following email from an RAC student, please find attached the leaflet:

I am writing to you regarding a research project that is being carried out at the Royal Agricultural College in Cirencester.

I am a PhD student at the RAC and the topic of my research is improving livestock farmers' practices to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. I am looking for farmers in the South West Region, interested in participating in the study. We aim to engage with the farming community on aspects related to GHG mitigation strategies, as well as identify current possible barriers to the implementation of some strategies. I am enclosing to this email a document with a bit more information on the project.

We would greatly appreciate if you could circulate this email and its attachment, so that farmers may contact me directly if they are interested in joining the study.

Looking forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely, Sara Burbi

SPRING FLING CHANGE OF DATE
NOW FRIDAY 17th FEBRUARY 2012

DATES FOR NOVEMBER

Sat 5th & Sun 6th – NFYFC Council Meeting

Wed 9th – Latest date for Discovery applications to GFYFC Office.

Wed 9th – Finance & GP Meeting, 8pm, Ag. House.

Thurs 10th – Winter Fair Training

Fri 11th – Closing date for public speaking entries

Sun 13th – Racing at Cheltenham – **TICKETS ONLY THROUGH NFYFC**

Wed 16th – Winter Fair Training

Sat 19th – Skittles, Salmon Springs

Sat 19th & Sun 20th – English Winter Fair, Staffordshire **and** NFYFC Live and Carcase Judging.

Tues 22nd – YFC TCS Meeting, 8pm, Malvern

Wed 23rd – Executive Meeting, 8pm, Ag House

Thurs 24th – BHAS Meeting

Sat 26th – South Beaufort YFC Dinner Dance

Wed 30th – Rally WP

DATES FOR DECEMBER

Sat 3rd - NFYFC Discovery Selection Day

Sun 4th - Public Speaking Competitions

Wed 7th – ***Last day for discounted Glitter Ball tickets.***

Wed 7th – Acts & Dev meeting, 8pm, Ag. House

Sat 10th – Gloucester YFC Christmas Fayre, 4pm - 7pm, Sandhurst Village Hall.

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