

SURREY YFC PIGPEN

April 2023

COWPIE - SUN 14 MAY

Our Cowpie Country show is on Sunday 14th May at the Blue Anchor Farm on the A22 near Lingfield (RH7 6JL). We have a fantastic day planned and look forward to seeing all members and their families at the show.

All Surrey Young Farmers have free entry to Cowpie, just show your digital membership card at the gate. Members will also have a free lunch at the Young Farmers Marquee and our thanks to the Cranleigh club parents and advisory for preparing and serving these.



Could members please ensure that all entries for the **static competitions are displayed in the Young Farmers Marquee by 10am** (at the very latest). Please do let your leaders know by Fri 28 April, the classes you would like to enter.



Stock judging takes place between 9.30am and 12.30pm and we also have tractor & digger challenges (on the Hadlow stand), new for this year our gator driving competition (behind the SYF marquee) and welly throwing in the Countryside ring from 10.30 to 11.30am. Our main ring competitions start with the YFC tournament at 1.15pm, Musical Pit Stop at 2.45pm and the afternoon concludes with our egg throwing competition at 4.15pm, with the award presentation straight after.

PARENTS/FRIENDS - WE NEED YOUR HELP

Throughout the year, we have a dedicated team of volunteers, who work with our Cowpie Chairman Neil Fuller, to make this amazing day possible....**but we also need your help.**

The show raises vital funds for Surrey Young Farmers and our members enjoy a thrilling day packed with competitions and team events, but we also need parents/friends support with roles at the showground and to help with the clearing up afterwards.

Please choose from one of the following:

Car parking - Three shifts 8.30 to 11am, 10.30 to 1pm or 1pm to 3.30pm.

Ticket scanning - 1 ½ hour shifts scanning tickets at the entrance,

Gator competition stewards - Two stewards needed from 10.45 to 1pm,

SYF marquee attraction - 1 ½ hours shifts keeping "Daisy" our full-size model cow that visitors can actually milk "topped up",

Money collection for donkey rides - 1 ½ hour shifts throughout the day.



Volunteers will receive free entry to the show and lunch in our VIP marquee. Please let your leaders know or email Sandra at County office (office@surreyyfc.co.uk).

Please do stay at the end and help tidy the showground and collect rubbish. If everyone helps, it shares this huge workload.

COWPIE COMPETITIONS & TIMINGS

LIVESTOCK CLASSES 9.30 am - 12.30 pm
(Please note end time cannot be extended)

All classes in red, are qualifying competitions for the South of England Show

Welly throwing (up to 12 members per club) Countryside ring 10.30 am – 11.30 am

OPEN CLASSES (SOME HAVE AGE RESTRICTIONS)

Young Stockman of the Year (16 & under) } all 4 stock judging classes must be entered
Stockman of the Year (17 to 28) }

Orphan / Pet Lamb Showing Livestock Marquee 9.30 am - 12.30 pm
Young Lamb Handler Livestock Marquee 9.30 am - 12.30 pm

Mini digger challenge (6 members per club) Hadlow stand 10 am - 1 pm

Tractor maintenance (individual or pairs) Hadlow stand 10 am - 1 pm

Gator Driving age 13 & over (4 members per club) Behind SYF marquee 11 am – 1 pm

Farm Life photo competition * YFC Marquee 10 am

* Landscape photos only – winning entries will feature in our 2024 calendar

CLUB CLASSES

Display board YFC Marquee 10 am
Club Scrapbook YFC Marquee 10 am

Club promotion on public address Main Ring Times will be allocated throughout the day

Best decorated club car Main Ring holding area 9am

TEAM EVENTS

Main ring 'SYF' Tournament Main Ring 1.15 – 2pm
Musical Pit Stop Main Ring 2.45 – 3.30pm

Egg Throwing Main Ring 4.15pm

Prize Giving Outside YFC Marquee 4.45pm

Horse & Pony Management	Livestock Marquee
Sheep Judging	Livestock Marquee
Sheep Judging Beginner	Livestock Marquee
Dairy Judging	Livestock Marquee
Dairy Judging Beginner	Livestock Marquee
Beef Judging	Livestock Marquee
Beef Judging Beginner	Livestock Marquee
Pork Pig Judging	Livestock Marquee
Pork Pig Judging Beginner	Livestock Marquee

STATIC CLASSES

All exhibits in YFC Marquee and Staged by 10am

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Painted rock with the theme – Day at the Races
Design your own shepherd's crook

Recycled metal work structure

Novelty Cake with the theme - Day at the Races

Hat/fascinator for a Day at the Races

A week in the life of your pet

Design an outfit for a Day at the Races

Poster – to promote a Day at the Races

Decorate a welly

Create a hanging basket with plants

Cookery

Junior – Flapjacks

Intermediate – Lemon drizzle cake

Senior – Carrot cake

ADVISORY & ASSOCIATE CLASSES

Farm Life photo competition

Design your own shepherd's crook

Recycled metal work structure

Novelty Cake with the theme – Day at the Races

Hat/fascinator for a Day at the Races

Create a beautiful hanging basket

Cookery – Carrot cake



Please discuss with your leaders which competitions you would like to enter, as some classes have restrictions on numbers. We have beginner stock judging classes for members that have never tried this before. Guides are available from the office and there will be white coats that you can borrow on the day. Any members wanting to enter the stockman of the year classes, do need to enter all four stock classes.

The sun is finally out, so take your cameras and phones out to capture your perfect farm life photo. Your landscape photo can be of any farm scene, from views across the fields in the early morning mist, to new born lambs jumping in a field or a picture of older sheepdogs asleep by the fire. As always, no identifiable people please. Winning entries from both classes will feature in our Surrey Young Farmers calendar.

AIRHOP INTERCLUB

In February, Surrey Young Farmers literally took over AirHop in Guildford. An amazing 93 members / potential members came for a fantastic evening of fun, which was a record turnout.

Thank you so much to Colin and Fiona from Beare Green, who arranged the evening and invited all clubs to join them. To quote Colin "What a great night to be a Young Farmer!"



WESTNEDGE CHALLENGE

In March, all clubs were invited to the latest Westnedge challenge. It was a great evening with nearly 80 members attending. As our senior club Dorking were the current holders, it had been decided to have challenges where "it helps to be small!" and varied from limbo, mini golf, balancing as many members as possible on a surf board to mini volley ball on your knees.



Dorking nearly pulled off the double but were beaten in a very close battle by Reigate Young Farmers. Any club can now challenge Reigate and set the next challenge.

SOUTH EAST AREA SPRING COMPETITIONS

After their success at our Indoor Rally, we had members taking part in the Reading competition, the Junior Member of the Year, the Call my Bluff and Brain Trust competitions at the South East area Spring competitions.

The convoy left Beare Green and Reigate and travelled to Grove in Oxfordshire. There was a lot of competition with all South East area counties, fielding teams.

We were thrilled that Charlie S, Charlie E, and Hugo from the Beare Green "Call my Bluff" team won and will now represent Surrey and the South East area in the National final in July. Many congratulations to all members who took part.



ACTIVITY WEEKEND

Thank you to everyone who has signed up for our activity weekend. Please ensure all consent forms are completed and returned. Kit details and drop off timings, will be sent out closer to the weekend.



Join us for our **2023 SYF Junior Activity Weekend**



We have an **amazing weekend of activities planned**, including



We will be staying at the beautiful **High Ashurst Teepee Village at Box Hill**

The weekend will be **fully catered with all activities on site and evenings spent round the campfire**



REIGATE BARN DANCE

This family favourite is open to all clubs and is fantastic evening. Tickets available from Stella.



DIARY DATES 2023

Cowpie
South of England Show
Junior Activity Weekend
Reigate Barn Dance

Sun 14 May 2023
Fri 9 - Sun 11 Jun
Fri 23 - Sun 25 Jun
Sat 1 July

For any information on competitions or to help at events, please contact Sandra at County Office on 01737 844528 - office@surreyyfc.co.uk