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Oct 2023

We are off to

On Sunday 26 November, we have our Hollywood themed Indoor Rally at Dorking Priory School from 10am to 3.30pm.

Please see inside for the many different classes you can enter.

Club entry form deadline - 12 Nov!



SYF Night Hike returns



SURREY YOUNG FARMERS NIGHT HIKE



The much-requested Night Hike is returning....an overnight Surrey Young Farmers adventure under the cover of darkness!

21 – 22 October

Main Walk - 10 miles from the top of Leith Hill to Norwood Hill

Cost - £12 per member including refreshments on route, accommodation (with a welcoming log fire), big breakfast, games, film, and Sunday picnic lunch Drop off – Sat 21 Oct 8pm – Collection Sun 22 Oct 2pm

For Younger Members – 6 miles walk from Leith Hill with collection at Newdigate Cost - £6 per member including refreshments on route

Drop off – <u>Sat 21 Oct 8pm</u> – Collection (21 Oct) <u>10.30 - 11pm</u>

Back up vehicle and manned check points with first aiders throughout the walk

With our 2023 Cowpie County Show sadly cancelled, this is the chance for members to help raise much-needed funds for Surrey Young Farmers.

Open to signed up members. Limited places available.

Please ask your leader for your booking form

Entry fee is payable to Surrey Young Farmers, but please ask friends and relatives to sponsor your walk on our Just Giving page

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/surrey-yfc

HIGH ASHURST - ACTIVITY WEEKEND



On possibly the warmest weekend of the summer, with blue skies and non stop sunshine, 42 Surrey Young Farmers enjoyed a fantastic activity weekend at High Ashurst in Boxhill.



The weekend was packed with activities, from challenge courses, archery, climbing (which included being blindfolded!) bush craft skills, den building with water testing (which got very muddy!) to high ropes on Sunday.











We are indebted to our leaders Lauren, Stuart, Chloe, Catherine & Josh, who made the whole weekend possible. Next year, we are off for a water sports weekend at Thames Young Mariners, so please put the dates 28 to 30 June 2023 in your diary. Booking forms out soon.

Community Funding

Skipton Building Society (43 Church Street in Reigate, near the gun shop) are running a community scheme supporting three local charities, including Surrey Young Farmers. Anybody can vote, **so please pop into the Reigate branch** and vote for Surrey Young Farmers. The scheme is running from 25 Sep to 20 Oct.



AGRICULTURAL SOCIET



Funding support from Co-op

We are really thrilled that three local Co-op stores have collaborated on a grant application for Surrey Young Farmers. Our County Chair Catherine met with Gowreesan, the Merstham store manager, to collect our cheque and we really appreciate their support.

South of England Training Grant

We are very grateful to receive a SEAS Agricultural Grant for our Leaders First Aid training in October.

NEW DEVELOPMENT OFFICER



Hello, my name is Karen Edwards and I am the new Development Officer for Surrey Young Farmers, you may know me more recently as the club leader for Newdigate Young Farmers. I am really excited to be taking up this role and supporting existing clubs and building new ones in Surrey. Prior to taking on this role I have worked extensively in development within Surrey County Council and I hope I can bring a range of skills and expertise to ensure the sustainability of clubs and the future of Surrey Young Farmers. I look forward to meeting members, parents and leaders over the coming weeks.

2024 CALENDAR



Our latest Surrey Young Farmers 2024 "Farm Life" calendar, packed with amazing photos from our Cowpie competition day, will be available to buy in October. Every calendar sold raises £2.50 for your club and makes the perfect Christmas present. You can also sell them to family & friends, so please do ask if you need extra copies.

SEAS STOCK JUDGING COMPETITION

The South of England showground in Ardingly (RH17 6TL) is holding the SEAS stock judging competition on Wednesday 22 November at 7pm. This is your chance to practise Beef, Pig and Lamb stock judging before Cowpie.

The competition is open to paid members. County will pay the entrance fee and can provide guidance, but parents will need to take members to the event. The entry deadline is Monday 6 November.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS AND NEW MEMBER SIGN UP

A Young Farmers <u>online</u> membership and consent form needs to be completed, for full club membership and insurance cover, with payment made to your club account.

Please visit NFYFC website - https://nfyfc.org.uk

<u>For renewals</u> - go to <u>Member Login</u> with your membership number and password or click on the Renew Now banner. <u>For new members</u> - please sign up under **Join Us**

After elections at your club AGM's, all newly elected Chairs, Vice Chairs and Secretaries are invited to our club officer training on Sat 9 Dec at Betchworth Village Hall from 10am to 2pm. This is an interactive session, with the chance to learn more about your roles and meet members from other clubs.....and yes there will be pizza!!

SURREY COUNTY AGM

At the Surrey County AGM, our President Peter Knight thanked Catherine Turrington for all her work as County chair in the last year and wished her every success as she starts university. We are thrilled that Clara from Reigate Young Farmers was voted in as our new County Chair and Chloe from Dorking Young Farmers was voted in as Vice Chair.



Chloe and Josh from Dorking became joint winners of the Chairman's Cup. They have both worked incredibly hard and supported Surrey Young Farmers throughout the year from Cowpie meetings, to assisting running the main ring games at our Cowpie competition day to attending the Surrey Young Farmers activity weekend as helpers for the second year running.

Their support has been greatly appreciated.

Rufus from Beare Green was awarded the WI trophy. With so many amazing entries and winning classes at both the indoor Rally and Cowpie competitions day, Rufus was a well-deserved winner.

The prestigious President's Cup was awarded to Colin Smith and the entire Beare Green team from helpers, advisory, and members.



Colin Smith and the Beare Green YFC have had an amazing year. They agreed on the huge undertaking to put on a pantomime and months of preparation resulted in three outstanding performances, which raised £2,235 for their chosen charities, Red Cross Ukraine appeal and Cancer Research. A successful club auction also raised funds for the Air Ambulance.

In addition to a great and varied club programme, every event is celebrated with incredible style, from hosting an amazing banquet for the Coronation to travelling to London to walk the procession route.

The club produced many quality entries for competitions at the Indoor Rally and Cowpie Competitions Day and represented Surrey at the



South-East area competitions, with two entries and one team taking part in the National finals at Staffordshire.

AND WE REMEMBER

We are deeply saddened to announce the death of Mrs Jean Corbett. Jean was 87 and had been involved with Surrey Young Farmers for over 40 years, initially at East Horsley Young Farmers. We have really appreciated her support and guidance in her role as Vice President. Our sincere condolences go to her son Richard and her family. Jean's funeral will be at 11am on 31 Oct at Randall's Park Crematorium in Leatherhead.

"HOLLYWOOD" INDOOR RAL

Make it. Bring it. Display it!

The following classes must be displayed by 10.15am (NO EXCEPTIONS)

Club Publicity 2023 –2024 (All clubs need at least one entry) Members to produce a club advert to be used for publicity of their club. Please include club name, meeting day / times / location and club contact email. All text must be typed but images can be free hand or computer generated. Your entry must be A5 portrait size and can be black and white or colour.

Competitions Schedule Cover for Cowpie 2024

Create a design with the theme: "Sustainable Farming"

The title Cowpie Competitions Schedule and date Sunday 12th May 2024 to be included. Black and white, free hand entries only.

Your entry must be A5 portrait size.

Hollywood character on a gingerbread man

Class Junio

Make a gingerbread man and decorate as a Hollywood character. Max height 15cm. To be judged on taste and decoration.

Hollywood scene on a vanilla traybake Class Senior & Advisory

Make a vanilla traybake sponge and decorate with a Hollywood scene. Max tray size 30 x 20cm. To be judged on taste and design.

Create a Billboard for your favourite movie

Class Junior and Senior

Max size A3



Create a movie scene in a shoe box lid

Any materials can be used Classes Junior, Senior & Advisory

Make your own Oscar Class Junior Max height size 30 cm

Make a "Stars of Hollywood" collage Class Senior

Max size A3 - any medium



Make a table decoration to include "Holly" and "Wood"

Create a beautiful table decoration - that must include both holly and wood. No larger than 30cm² Classes Junior, Senior & Advisory

Staging of static exhibits from 09.30 - 10.15 am Judging 10.30 - 11.30 am

New for 2023 – Club entry - Create a movie trailer – max 2 mins

The video must be received at County office by Thursday 23/11/23. A Google drive link will be given to each club entering this class.

Turn up and do....

Running between 10.30 am and 12.15 pm:

Club Pack 10.30 am - 12.00 pm SYF Hollywood challenge 10.30 am - 12.00 pm So you think you can do it? 10.30 am - 12.00 pm Yes / No challenge 11.00 am - 12.15 pm Still Life Drawing 11.15 am - 12.15 pm

Members will be required to draw in pencil, an item / or items provided. A4 paper and pencils will be supplied but members can bring their own. 20 min limit

You can also take part in County Competitions ... and may qualify to represent Surrey in SE Area & National finals

Timings (10.30am to 1pm) will be allocated based on number of entries Member of the Year - 18 & over - 17 & under from 10.30am

Follow rules for age group - 18 & over to confirm entry to County by 20/10/23 for presentation subject. Synopsis form to be emailed to County by Fri 17/11/23. Power point presentation required on the day.

Reading (team of 3 aged 14 & under)

11:00am - 11.45pm

Reading book is "The Last Bear" by Hannah Gold - On the day three separate passages from the book will be given out at 10.30am to prepare.

Public Speaking (team of 3 aged 16 & under) from 11.30am Speaker to hand in subject notes by 10.30am.

Situations Vacant (aged 16 to 21 & 22 to 28)

Members to complete a CV (2 A4 pages) and covering letter (1 A4 page) for a job advertised in the last 12 months. Applications (including original advert) emailed Members can enter Member of the Year & one other speaking competition

National rules and guides for all competitions available from your club leader,

County office (Sandra@surreyyfc.co.uk) or http://www.nfyfc.org.uk

In the afternoon.....

Football and frisbee challenge (outside if weather allows) 1 - 1.30pm

Disco dancing (County Competition - 28 & under)

1.30 - 2pm

A team of 6 to 12 members (with at least 2 males & 2 females) perform an original routine between 3 to 5 minutes to music. Area 10m2. Confirmation of entry by Sun 12/11/23. Music to be submitted to County office by Fri 17/11/23

Dressing up for the red carpet

In teams of three, two members have 5 minutes to dress the third in their red carpet outfit. The member will then walk the red carpet to commentary from their team about the outfit. Points for creativity. The outfit should not be a new shop bought outfit, but second hand items are allowed.

Film quiz (for fun) - 2.30pm - 3pm



DATES 2023/24

Fundraising night hike SEAS Stock Judging - South of England showground Indoor Rally - Priory School Dorking Club Officer Training – Betchworth Village Hall Interclub

Cowpie

South of England Show

Activity Weekend – Thames Young Mariners

Sat 21 - Sun 22 Oct

Wed 22 Nov Sun 26 Nov Sat 9 Dec

Mar TBC Sun 12 May

Fri 7 – Sun 9 Jun

Fri 28 – Sun 30 Jun

For any information on competitions or to help at events, please contact