



**Fun, Learning and
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NATIONAL FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS

Competitions Programme 2018 - 19
NFYFC After Dinner Speaking (26 & Under)

RULES

Competition Aim

To encourage members aged 26 or under to work as a team to plan and deliver an engaging and entertaining after dinner speech.

Learning outcomes

Preparation, confidence, effective listening, communication, presentation, timing, audibility skills and originality and knowledge of the subject.

REMINDER: Read in conjunction with **NFYFC General Rules**. Further information can be found at <http://www.nfyfc.org.uk/CompetitionsResources/competitionsresources> These rules should be read in conjunction with the 'How to' Guide available from NFYFC.

1. DATE AND VENUE

- 1.1. After Area Finals the Regional Finals for North and South of England will be held on 23rd March 2019.
- 1.2. After Regional Finals, the National Final will be held at Competitions Day on Saturday 6th July 2019 at Stafford County Showground.

2. REPRESENTATION

- 2.1. Counties may enter one team per 600 members or part thereof in the Area Finals.
- 2.2. Areas will be represented in the Regional Final by one team per 3,000 members or part thereof. (Northern Area 2, Eastern Area 1, East Midlands 1, West Midlands Area 1, South West Area 2, South East Area 1 and Wales 2)
- 2.3. Regions will be represented at the National Final (after Regional Finals) by one County team per 6,000 members or part thereof. (**Northern 2; Southern 2; Wales 1**)

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1. A team shall consist of five members, each of whom must be 26 years of age or under on 1 September 2018 and full members of a Club affiliated to NFYFC.

4. SUBSTITUTION

- 4.1. If three or more of the original team are unable to go forward to subsequent rounds, then the next highest placed team will represent the Area.
- 4.2. **All substitutes must have been eligible to compete in the County Final.**

5. PROCEDURE

- 5.1. The team shall consist of a Chairman, Speaker (who will propose the main toast), Respondent to Speaker, Proposer to Visitors (propose a toast to the visitors) and a Respondent to respond on behalf of the visitors.
- 5.2. The Chairman will address the diners and introduce the Speakers in order of appearance.
- 5.3. The teams will be split so that the Chairman, Respondent to Speaker and Proposer to Visitors will come from Team A, and Speaker and Respondent on behalf of Visitors from Team B.
- 5.4. Teams will be notified **four weeks prior to the competition** of their Toast for the evening. Toasts in the Regional and National Final will be provided by NFYFC. In Area Rounds, the Area Committee will provide the Toasts.
- 5.5. Teams will be given the opportunity of meeting to exchange notes 30 minutes before appearing on the platform.

6. SCALE OF MARKS AND TIMING

Chairman (Introduction)	20	2 minutes
Chairman (Overall Role)	10	Not timed
Speaker	50	6 minutes
Respondent to Speaker	50	6 minutes
Proposer to Visitors	35	4 minutes
Respondent on behalf of Visitors	35	4 minutes
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>200</u>	

6.1. Judges will take into consideration originality, presentation of speech, humour, timing, audibility, knowledge of subject, use of notes and dress.

6.2. **Teams will be penalised for using distasteful jokes or bad language.**

6.3. Time deductions are 1 mark for each half-minute (or part thereof) over the allotted time by any member of the team, apart from the Chairman whose speeches throughout (apart from their Introduction) are not timed.

7. AWARDS

7.1. NFYFC Regional Finals

7.1.1. NFYFC Prize Cards will be awarded to teams placed 1st, 2nd and 3rd

7.1.2. NFYFC Certificates of Achievement will be awarded to all members taking part in the Regional Final

7.2. NFYFC Final

7.2.1. ***The Novartis Perpetual Challenge Lectern*** and Prize Cards will be award for the team placed 1st

7.2.2. NFYFC Prize Cards will be awarded to teams placed 2nd and 3rd

7.2.3. NFYFC Certificates of Achievement will be awarded to all members of teams placed 1st to 5th

7.2.4. An NFYFC Prize Card will be awarded to the highest individual scoring competitor (*Best Speaker*)

8. NOTES

8.1. Competitors before and after competing may be admitted to the Competition Room.

8.2. These rules should be read in conjunction with the After Dinner Speaking 'How-To' guide available from NFYFC



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