







Dates to remember.....

Mon 10th Feb	Dorset YFC Management Meeting 7.00pm start Courtyard Classroom, Kingston Maurward College
Mon 10th Feb	Dorset YFC Rally Committee Meeting All clubs are to be present please 7.30pm start Courtyard Classroom, Kingston Maurward College
Sat 15th Feb	Puddletown YFC Presents their Valentines Fish and Chip Evening Moreton Village Hall, DT2 8RE 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start, further details below.
15th—16th Feb	NFYFC Council Weekend
Sun 16th Feb	Dorset YFC Sports Day at Thomas Hardy Sports Hall & 1610 Astro 10.00am until 3.00pm, details overleaf
Mon 17th Feb	CLOSING DATE for the Dorset YFC Hedgelaying Competition, entries to the County Office please
17th—21st Feb	County Office only open on Tuesday & Thursday due to Half Term
Tues 18th Feb	Dorset YFC Management Meeting 6.30pm start Courtyard Classroom, Kingston Maurward College
Tues 18th Feb	Dorset YFC Executive Meeting - All clubs are to be present please 7.30pm start Courtyard Classroom, Kingston Maurward College
Sun 23rd Feb	SWA Debating Competition at Devon YFC Details to follow shortly
Tues 25th Feb	Beaminster YFC presents their Beetle Drive & Pancake Evening Comrades Hall, Broadwindsor - 7.30pm start, further details overleaf
Sun 1st March	Dorset YFC Hedgelaying Competition kindly organised by Sturminster Newton YFC In conjunction with Blackmore & Sparkford Vale Hunt by kind permission of Mr Stuart Vickery and the Stock Gaylard Estate at Hydes Farm, Kings Stag, Sturminster Newton, DT10 2BE.
Mon 2nd March	SWA Behaviour Meeting for all those attending the SWA Weekend 7.30pm start Courtyard Classroom, Kingston Maurward College
Fri 6th—Sun 8th March	SWA Weekend in Newquay

**STURMINSTER NEWTON YFC PRESENT THE
DORSET FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS CLUBS
ANNUAL HEDGE LAYING COMPETITION**

Details
DATE: Sunday 1st March 2020
WHERE: Hydes Farm, Kings Stag, Sturminster Newton, DT10 2BE (just off the A2020 Sherborne to Sturminster Newton Road, between Lydlinch Common (junction with A357) and Stock Deer Park)
 By kind permission of Mr Stuart Vickery and the Stock Gaylard Estate
 In conjunction with Blackmore & Sparkford Vale Hunt
Classes with Prize Money
 Closing Date: Monday 16th February 2020




**PUDDLETOWN YOUNG FARMERS CLUB
VALENTINES FISH AND CHIP QUIZ**
SATURDAY 15th FEBRUARY 2020
 Moreton Village Hall, DT2 8RE
 Teams of 6, £10 per person to include a fish and chip dinner.
7 for 7.30pm start
 Refreshments Bar Raffle
 To book your team please contact Beth on
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DORSET YFC NEWSLETTER!

FEBRUARY 2020

Dorset YFC Competitions Day

Our first ever Dorset YFC Competitions Day took place on Sunday 19th January 2020 and it was a good turnout and was lovely to see some new faces taking part.

MACE Debating

The morning started with MACE Debating with two teams, Puddletown YFC and Marshwood Vale YFC going head to head. The debates chosen by the judges *Andrew Dyke and Alan Haggerty* for our competition were *"This house believes consumers demands for a varied diet, is at odds with their demands for a sustainable*



environment" and *"This house believes that leaving the EU and its CAP will be good for UK farmers as food prices will rise and imports of food will fall "*. Both created great debates and we would like to give a big thank you to our judges for their time and experience within this competition. Our winners for this competition going forward to SWA at Devon on the 23rd

February are Puddletown YFC and were awarded the Dorset YFC Cup. Well done to both teams for taking part on the day.

Junior Reading



Junior Reading also took place in the morning with two teams taking part, Sherborne YFC and Beaminster YFC. The book chosen for this competition was 'The Nowhere Emporium' by Ross Mackenzie', all the junior members said they enjoyed the book that our Judge Nicola Ralph had chosen. Three pieces were chosen for



our juniors to read showing character and good understanding in what they were reading aloud. Our winners for the morning were Sherborne YFC who were presented the Kath Goodfellow Shield and go forward to the SWA competition in March at Newquay. Well done to both teams for taking part on the day and a big thank you to our judge Nicola Ralph for her time and experience.

Situations Vacant

Our closed competition for the day was our Situations Vacant competition which is a chance for our members to compete on their own showing their abilities to produce a CV, chose a certain job vacancy they would like and to produce an application letter. Our three members all from Marshwood Vale who competed had individual interviews with our judges Jenny Curtis and Ann Rossiter, this interview is treated as a job interview. Poppy Burrough came first on the day and she will go forward to the SWA Round in Newquay in March. Well done to Joanna House and Amy Wonnacott who also took part and a big thank you to our judges for their time and experience on the day.



You don't have to be a Farmer to join the Young Farmers!

Call My Bluff

Our Competitions afternoon kicked off with Call My Bluff which certainly opened up the age group of members taking part. Members were given words on which they had to give an explanation of what it meant with the other two team members making up their own version to trick the other team, as it is on the TV Show. Two teams Marshwood Vale YFC and Sherborne YFC competed for the W F Chilcott Esq Cup with Marshwood Vale taking the win and going forward to the SWA Round in Newquay in March. Thank you to our judges Angela and Tim Frampton and to Matt Frampton who was thrown in at the deep end as our presenter. Well done to everyone who took part.



Junior Public Speaking

For Junior Public Speaking we had three teams taking part, Beaminster YFC, Sherborne YFC and Marshwood Vale YFC and they had a good audience on the day which is great for our members to be able to try out their public speaking in front of friends and family. A thank you to our judge Nick Sansom and to Charlotte Harris for stewarding the event, it was definitely a close competition to judge. Our winners taking home the John Coussins Trophy were Sherborne YFC with Marshwood Vale coming second and Beaminster YFC coming third. The Best Speaker Cup was awarded to Henrietta Love. Sherborne will go forward to SWA in Newquay in March to represent Dorset YFC. Well done everyone who took part.



On The News

This was a new competition for Dorset YFC and it is to be run like a broadcast. The members pick a closed envelope which holds a Press Release which has been taken from the Local/National news by our judge Mr Matthew Price and they have 30 minutes to carry out research and then to produce their own News Broadcast, it was impressive how the members managed to produce costumes etc when not being aware of what topic they would have on the day and it definitely produced a lot of laughs. We have three teams that took part in this competition Marshwood Vale A Team, who had the Press Release of "The Royals", Harry & Megan's decision re-highlights costs of Royal Family to the UK Taxpayer, Marshwood Vale B Team whose subject was "WWF Australia" Charities support Koala rescue from bushfires and Puddletown YFC who had "National Farmers Union", Farmers ready to do their bit for Climate Change say NFU. Marshwood Vale Team B were presented with the win and will go forward to the SWA Round in June at Lackham College. Thank you to all the teams that took up the challenge of a new competition and to our Judge Matthew Price who came up with some great Press Releases.



Watch this space for next years date for our Dorset YFC 2021 Competitions Day and competitions



Dorset Young Farmers

Rally & Show

11th April 2020

Saturday, 10am - 5pm

Dorchester Showground



Adult - £5
Under 16s FREE



• Sheep Shearing • Tug of War • Falconry Displays • Assault Course •
• Floral Art • Dog Show • Tractor Driving • Fencing • Cooking & Handicrafts •

For more information and for competitions programme please visit our Facebook page  Dorset Young Farmers

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Rally Competition Entries to start thinking about:

Open Handicrafts

An item of Origami
Decorated T-Shirt
Something made from an old pair of Jeans
Something made from used/spent gun cartridges



Chairman's Message

Hi everyone !

Yet another very busy month with the Public Speaking Competitions day! Well done to everyone who took part and good luck to all those going on to South West Area in March, thank you to all the Judges and Helpers!

February brings us to the County Sports day at Thomas Hardy School, thank you for entering, there will be some good rivalry :)

SWA booking has now closed with a total of 77 of us heading down to Newquay!

As some of you may have heard, I had an eventful Xmas in Hospital and recovering, but it's looking up now ! Just to pre warn you all I'm starting chemo soon, so might not be about for a couple of months depending how I feel !

See you all soon :)

Matt

County Chairman

Dorset SPORTS DAY 2020

Young Farmers 

Come along and support your Club Teams taking part in our Dorset YFC Sports Day 2020 on Sunday 16th February 2020 at the Thomas Hardy Sports Hall & 1610 Astro in Coburg Road, Dorchester, DT1 2ET. Starting at 10.00am will be Mixed Kwik Cricket for the Juniors and Mens 5 Aside Football (Pitch 1 behind the Astro Pitch on the Main Field) and commencing at 12.00 noon in the Sports Hall will be Ladies Netball and on the Astro Pitches 1 and 2 Mixed Rounders for the Juniors.

The latest draw results for the Dorset Young Farmers 200 Club are:



Dec £90 each - 91 and 2

Jan A 1st 72, 2nd 55, 3rd 117
Jan B 1st 12, 2nd 86, 3rd 73

Feb A 1st 9, 2nd 118, 3rd 89
Feb B 1st 40, 2nd 108, 3rd 144

Congratulations!

Beetle Drive & Pancakes

With Beaminster YFC

On Tuesday 25th February

At The Comrades Hall,
Broadwindsor

7.30pm start.

Prizes to be won !!

Raffle / Tea & Coffee

Everyone Welcome !



Adults - £5
Under 16's - £3
Family of 4 - £15