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**HEREFORDSHIRE FEDERATION OF  
YOUNG FARMERS CLUBS**

# HFYFC 2011/12 DIARY

## DECEMBER

- Sun 11th - First Aid Course @ YFC Centre
- Fri 16th - Last day for discounted NYE tickets
- Fri 16th - Hereford YFC Christmas Meal and Quiz @ Operatics Hall
- Fri 16th - Pontrilas YFC Christmas Draw and Quiz @ Garway Village Hall
- Thu 22nd - Dilwyn YFC Christmas Dance @ Euphoria Nightclub Leominster
- Fri 23rd - Gloucestershire YFC Glitter Ball @ Cheltenham Racecourse
- Sat 31st - HFYFC NYE Ball @ Luctonians Rugby Club



## JANUARY

- Mon 16th - Safeguarding training evening @ YFC Centre
- Fri 20th - Senior debating @ Bunch of Carrots, Hampton Bishop
- Fri 27th - Senior Quiz @ Ewyas Harold Memorial Hall
- Sun 29th - Hedging Match @ Orchard Farm, Bosbury



## FEBRUARY

- Sat 11th - Lugg Valley YFC Valentines Ball @ Bromyard Rugby Club
- 13th-18th - HFYFC Entertainments week and next edition of Loads of Bull!



# GRAHAM'S GOSSIPRY

Can it be allegedly true that...

A Lugg Valley member has been spotted in the Golden Valley region several times...

A Kington member gave food poisoning to several members from Kington and Pencombe...

A Golden Valley member was surprised to see the county vice chairman with a date at their dinner; she had always thought he was gay...

A former county chairman was stopped by the police with a car load of people, but managed to talk his way out of a fine...

A Craswall member told a Vice President that she was thick skinned...

A former county chairman was seen disregarding the Alcohol policy at the Winter Wonderland ball...

A Dilwyn member lost his front tooth at his own 21st birthday party...

A Welsh Newton member was seen doing a 'Basil Faulty' style impersonation in Germany...



# COUNTY CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

I would like to take this opportunity to tell you about the executive committee...

The executive committee is chaired by the county chairman; the committee receives reports for Events, Competitions, Promotions, Training and Junior Forum on what they have been doing and are planning to do.

The executive committee get reports about the county finance and reports from the NFU, Rural hub and other local organisations. The committee also elect the management committee and are able to remove people from the management committee.

The committee is made up of 2 members from all 18 clubs plus the 14 vice county presidents. The committee has 4 meetings a year. If you have a problem in the county this is the committee to share your clubs views. You can contact myself or any member of the committee via the county office.

Hope you all have a great Christmas and New Year!

Graham Richards  
County Chairman



## AGM ALERT



27th - 30th April 2012 @ Riviera International Centre ,Torquay  
Fancy Dress - "When I was 3 i wanted to be..."

Discounted bookings by Thursday 1st March via County Office

3 day package = £59.50

2 day package = £51.00

1 day package = £27.50

And don't forget you must be a member of a YFC Club for 6 weeks prior to the AGM!

# PROMOTIONS REPORT

Hi all and welcome to the Christmas edition of Loads of Bull!

We've been absent for the past year but are glad to be back for 2011/2012. Here you'll find updates from all of the committees, diary dates, upcoming events and of course the latest gossip!

It's been a successful start to the YFC year and Promotions are keen to get the ball rolling with an exciting campaign to attract new members throughout the county. We'll also be completely updating the HFYFC website ([www.hfyfc.org.uk](http://www.hfyfc.org.uk)) over the next few weeks so keep checking back to see the changes.

If you'd like help organising a new members evening, a roadshow or even want to source a speaker for a meeting then don't hesitate to contact myself via the county office.

Finally have a very Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year and don't forget to behave yourself, or you might be featured in the next edition!...

Amy Perry



# COMPETITIONS REPORT

Firstly may I thank representatives for electing me as Competitions Chairman for the year 2011/12!

The year is now well under way and competitions are in full swing, having held the Junior Quiz, Pub Games, Hereford Cattle & Carcass Judging, and Speaking and Sports day too.

Results of stock judging have already shown great effect at National rounds with prize cards and trophies making their way back to Herefordshire from the English Winter Fair.

This year is already showing an interesting turn of events with entries from some smaller clubs coming back strongly into the mix, such as Orleton and Lugg Valley! Good news for the county at keeping our membership over the vital 600 mark, allowing us to enter 2 teams to subsequent competition rounds.

We have a busy start to 2012 lined up with Senior Debating, Senior Quiz, Hedge laying, and Panto, to mention just a few!

Well done to everyone who has competed so far, we have had an amazing number of entries, looking set for a good year to come...let's win the 3 Counties in 2012!?! (I hear Graham's looking forward to having a swim in one of the Jacuzzis at the show!)

Good luck to everyone in forthcoming competitions, and have a good Christmas and New Year (at the HFYFC New Year's Eve Dance at Luctonians RFC obviously!!)

Jess Wright



# **TRAINING UPDATE**

This year has seen a great start to the year for training. With a full day of training for all new club officers proving successful at the Cider Museum. There has also been a Food Hygiene course, which members enjoyed. There is a lot more training planned for this year, so keep an eye of for Child Safeguarding, Risk Assessment, Stewarding and the Half Time Catch Up plus some new training sessions.

If you have any training that you would like us to do please let myself or Lucinda know.

I would like to say a big thank you to all members who have been to all training events and to the training steering group who without I don't know where I would be. I look forward to seeing you at the next HFYFC training event.

Robert Williams

# **JUNIOR FORUM REPORT**

As some of you may know Junior Forum is a committee within the Herefordshire County Federation that looks after all the junior's views from the county. From each club there is at least one representative who sits on the committee. We have five meetings per year to discuss forthcoming junior events and social events, with the highlights last year being a trip mountain boarding at Tillington and a days activities at the Taste for Adventure Centre at Credenhill, both of which were great fun! Above all we aim to make improvements within young farmers for the juniors and respond to feedback from the junior members. If the juniors in your club want something changed within young farmers the junior forum is the place to be. We help decide on competitions for junior events and afterwards discuss what could be improved.

If you have any ideas for activities or events contact me!

Henry Thorpe

Herefordshire Federation of Young Farmers presents...

# NEW YEARS EVE BALL

Saturday 31st December 2011

at

9pm - 3am

Luctonians Rugby Club

Kingsland

HR6 9SB

BAR ~ DISCO ~ FOOD

For tickets call:

HFYFC County Office: 01432

274 187

Alex: 07860 108 600

Amelia: 07870 311 885

Limited tickets, please book early!

Strictly Black Tie

Strictly no Under 16's

No ID no entry

ROAR

Tickets

Before 16th December - £20 YFC

Members, £25 Guests

Thereafter - £25 YFC Members,

£27 Guests

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