



Forthcoming Competitions

EMA/NFU Senior Public Speaking - The Area round of the Senior Public Speaking competition is on **Wednesday 19th April** at NTU Brackenhurst, Southwell, Notts. Teams are: A - Anne Wildgoose, Alice Priestley and Emily Topham; B - Lucy Bland, Katie Dawes and Ruth Rastrick

National Final Cheerleading – The very best of luck to Bakewell YFC and Buxton YFC in the Cheerleading final on **Sunday 23rd April** at Torquay,

Tug of War Competitions - The county rounds of the Tug of War competitions will be on **Monday 29th May** at the Plough Inn, Two Dales, Matlock. Entries will be required by 15th May and everyone who is taking part must be a member by this date

Farm Skills Day - The Fence Erecting and Efficiency with Safety competitions will take place on **Sunday 4th June** at Smallacres Farm, Williamthorpe Road, North Wingfield by kind permission of the Clayton Family. Closing date for entries 19th May

Competition Results

Northern Semi-Final Results

A very well done to all our teams who competed in the Northern Semi-Finals, it is a tremendous achievement to get this far. Special congratulations to **Martha Bland** who was chosen as the best junior public speaker, **Sam Slack** was the best after dinner speaker and **Olivia Gratton** who received the award for the best actress in the Entertainment competition.

Junior Speaking – Hannah Morten, Martha Bland and Alistair Hodgkinson from Hope Valley YFC – 4th

Braintrust - Emily Hulme, Libby Bettney, Joanne Gregory and Jacob Long from Bakewell YFC – 3rd

After Dinner Speaking – Hannah, James and Andrew Gregory-Campeau and Sam and Olivia Slack from Buxton YFC – 1st and now go forward to the final in July

Entertainment - Buxton YFC -3rd

County Junior and Senior Quizzes

Senior Quiz – 1st Buxton, 2nd Pleasley and 3rd Belper. The trophy for the female scoring the most points was won by Rebecca Gratton

Junior Quiz – 1st Pleasley, 2nd Hope Valley and 3rd Smalley.

The question master was David Hemmingsley, County President of Staffordshire FYFC

Calendar Dates

Please check page on Face Book for any date changes

Wednesday 19th April

Area Final: NFU Public Speaking Competition – NTU Brackenhurst

Friday 21st /Sunday 23rd

NFYFC Annual Convention – Torquay (Saturday)

National finals: Senior YFC Member of the Year and Entertainment Competitions (Sunday) Cheer Leading and Street Dance Competitions

Sunday 30th April

Pre Rally Beef and Lamb Stock Judging - Baslow

Monday 1st May

MAY DAY

Wednesday 3rd May

Pre Rally Pig Stock Judging and Carcase Judging – Buxton

Thursday 4th May

Events and Activities Committee Meeting

Saturday 13th May

Annual County Field Day and Rally – Harley Grange, Earl Sterndale, Buxton

Saturday 20th May

Lincs County Rally Do - Alford,

Monday 29th May

Men's, Ladies and Mixed (12 - 18) Tug of War

Competitions – Plough Inn, Two Dales, Matlock

Monday 29th May

SPRING BANK HOLIDAY



National Convention – Torquay Friday 21st – Sunday 23rd April

YFC County Office

Wristbands may be collected from Grace Murrell, Riviera Centre during the following times – Friday 1pm – 6pm and 9pm – midnight, Saturday and Sunday 10.30 am – 1pm, 4pm – 6pm and 9pm – midnight. You will need a current YFC membership card and another form of ID.

Derbyshire members are staying in the Cavendish Hotel, Belgrave Road, Torquay TQ2 5HN

Dress code: Friday night – Black Tie / lounge suit; Saturday night – Fancy Dress (Princes and Princesses) and Sunday night – Club Shirts

Office Hours are:
Monday and Thursday 10.30 am – 4.00pm
Friday 2.00pm – 4.00pm and Thursday evening 8.00pm – 10.00pm

County Office will be closed on Friday 21st April and Monday 24th April as Jane will be in Torquay and from Monday 15th May until Thursday 25th May for Annual Leave

Australian Visitor

We have been asked to host Will Craigie, a 23 year old Australian male from **Tuesday 2nd – Sunday 7th May**. Will will be in Torquay for the National Convention, he will then spend time in Somerset before coming to Derbyshire after which he will fly to Ireland. Rich Adams and his family have very kindly agreed to host but would welcome help from any members who would like to entertain Will for a day

Club meeting ideas

To book the County Roadshow team for a club meeting contact Ben Bakel

If you have an interesting meeting please share it!

County Rally – Saturday 13th May

This year's County Rally will be hosted by the North West Region at Harley Grange, Earl Sterndale, SK17 0EP by kind permission of the Hodgkinson Family on **Saturday 13th May** from 9am. The closing date for entries is 28th April and anyone wishing to compete must be a member by this date. Qualifying rounds for Dairy Stock judging, Cookery, Floral Art and Cube Exhibit Competitions

The Pre-Rally judging for Beef and Lamb is on **Sunday 30th April** at Gorse Bank Farm, Baslow, DE45 1PS at 11am by kind permission of Alex Birch and family.

The Pig stock judging and the carcass judging is on **Wednesday 3rd May** at 7.30pm at Haslin Slaughterhouse, Harpur Hill, Buxton by kind permission of the Redfern family. The closing date for Stockjudging entries is 14th April.

The raffle tickets have been distributed amongst the clubs and the more tickets you sell the more points you will receive, more tickets are available from County Office.

All rally trophies must be returned by **Sunday 30th April** to any of the rally committee or county office.

Club News

The County Ball is confirmed for **Saturday 11th November** if anyone has any suggestions for a band then please let Gabbie Leonard know.

Future dates for the National Convention:
2018 - 4th - 6th May, in Blackpool
2019 - 10th – 12th May, also in Blackpool





Activities Trophy

Activity	Asb	Aso	Bak	Bar	Belp	Bux	Der	Vall	Ple	Sma
Sub total B/F	51	84	82	19	26	90	45	74	12	14
Brainstrust	5	4	10	6		4	8	9	7	
Street Dance			9			10		8		
Ten Pin Bowling	3	10		4	9	5	7		6	8
Written pub quiz	4	9	7	2	4	8	4	10	6	
Junior Quiz		6	4			4	6	9	10	8
Senior Quiz	4	3	4	6	8	10	6	6	9	4
total	67	116	116	37	47	131	76	116	50	34
position	6th	2nd	2nd	9th	8th	1st	5th	2nd	7th	10th

Please give as much notice as possible if you are not able to compete in the next round and **at least 14 days' notice** or forfeit points on the Activities Trophy. Fines are imposed for withdrawals from NFYFC competitions on a scale of **£25 within two weeks and £40 within 48 hours** of the start of the competition.

Parental Consent Forms: A reminder that all under 18s competing in a national final must complete and return a parental consent form 10 days prior to the competition. Parents can download the form directly from the NFYFC website, photograph the form on their phones and email it to post@nfyfc.org.uk

New Zealand Dairy Careers

Our objective is to provide candidates with a one-year placement to encompass all facets of working on a New Zealand dairy farm. We assist students to gain industry-recognised qualifications and provide invaluable practical experience while they enjoy full pay rates. We thrive on preparing students for a successful career in dairy farming which, can be applied in their own country, New Zealand or anywhere else in the world.

Applications are taken all year round with placements available throughout the year, which means we can provide the flexibility to work around exams or any other commitments students may have. Once an application has been received and processed, a representative will contact the applicant by phone or Skype. If successful, a place will be offered on the programme which will be secured by a deposit while we make the necessary arrangements. We take the stress out of moving country by working with students to obtain a visa, and organise accommodation, education registration, and farm placements, as well as providing full pastoral care. This programme is supported by the New Zealand Immigration Service and includes a working holiday visa or a one-year work permit which is included in the total fee. The whole process usually takes around one month to complete.

Brochure: nzdairy careers.co.nz/Documents/onlinebrochure/index.html

Website: <http://www.nzdairy careers.co.nz/index.html>



Membership Figures @ 31st MARCH 2017

200 Club

CLUB	MEMBERS	ASSOCIATE	TOTAL
ASHBOURNE	63	02	65
ASHOVER	67	01	68
BAKEWELL	40	02	42
BARLOW	20	01	21
BELPER	33	01	34
BUXTON	53	10	63
DERBY	43	04	47
HOPE VALLEY	58	05	63
PLEASLEY	29	01	30
SMALLEY	31	03	34
TOTAL	437	30	467

March

£20 – Ilana Boyle
£10 – Mary c/o John Stubbs
£5 – Isabel (John Hall's granddaughter)

April

£20 – Sheila Franklin
£10 – Andrew Critchlow
£5 – Sam Baines

If you would like to join the 200 Club contact: Beth Gratton (07805 536605) gratton.beth@googlemail.com

Ashbourne Festival

James Rebanks, a farmer in the Lake District, tweets as herdyshepherd1 and is well-known nationally because of his autobiographical book, "The Shepherd's Life". He breeds Herdwick sheep and is a third-generation fells farmer and shepherd, training sheepdogs to manage Herdwicks in the challenging landscape of the fells. His talk will cover traditional Lake District farming methods and how Herdwicks are adapted to their particular environment. He is speaking at Ashbourne Town Hall on **Wednesday, June 28th** at 7pm. More details on the website, www.ashbournefestival.org. Groups of 10 are eligible for one free ticket (normal price: £12) and there are a limited number of concessionary tickets available (£6 for under-18s, up to four per transaction). Tickets can be booked online or through Ashbourne Visitors' Information Centre at the Town Hall.

Useful Contacts

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