

MARCH 2007

HAMPSHIRE YFC NEWS

NEWS ON PAST EVENTS

YFC Reunion – RABI Fundraiser

Good evening had by all with a few speeches about how young farmers used to be from ex members, also had a 3 course buffet dinner with all the proceeds raised going towards a walk on the great wall of china in aid of RABI

Young Thrusters Ball

On Friday 9th February, The Young Thrusters Ball was held at the Botleigh Grange Hotel. A good number of Young Farmers attended.



Pool Tournament – 13 February

On Tuesday 13th February, Matt Collins & Sarah Hodgett from Bishops Waltham YFC organised a pool tournament for the Counties Club's. It was held at Q-World, in Southampton. The Final was Matt Collins & Mike Mamby from Bishops Waltham v's Rob Miller & Douglas Phillips from Beaulieu YFC. The winners were Bishops Waltham.

On Monday 12th February, HFYFC held the Public Speaking Competition at Sparsholt College. Lots of teams entered the Junior, Intermediate & Senior classes.

Junior Public Speaking

- 1st Beaulieu A Ben Dolbear, Tom House, Ellie Dolbear
2nd Beaulieu B
3rd South East Hants
4th Avon Valley



Intermediate Brainstrust

- 1st Bishops Waltham
Matthew Collins,
Lucy Farrell,
Clare Collins
Sarah Hodgett

- 2nd Avon Valley



Senior Brainstrust

- 1st Beaulieu
Rob Miller
Pete Niccolls
Will Abraham
Doug Phillips

- 2nd South East Hants

Well Done! to everyone that took part in the evening, and a big thank you to all the Judges and Time Keeper – these events couldn't run without you. Thank you.

Dinner Dance – South East Hants

This year over 100 people turned out to the South East Hants Dinner and Dance, held on the 23rd of February at the Uplands Park Hotel, Droxford. The evening was started off with a fantastic meal, which was followed by a raffle, and after dinner speakers.

Guest Speaker Simon Hills an ex South East Hants Young Farmer and current advisory member, gave a very entertaining speech, much to the embarrassment of his two daughters who were in the audience.

Nick Sylvester, Club chairman, gave a speech about the clubs activities and successes over the last year, and thanked the club's Secretary Sarah Archibald, who was presented with a basket of flowers, for all her help in organising the club over the past year.

Michel Bailey presented the Graham Cox memorial Award, to Graham Collett (Club Treasurer) for his contributions to young farmers over the last year.

It was a really enjoyable evening and, and raised about £300.

Call my Bluff – 5th March

With 8 teams entering the call my bluff competition it was a good evening, lots of people attended – Hilary Hill was kind enough to be the judge for the evening with Luke Andrew being the scorer.



The results are as follows –

- 1st Beaulieu B – Rob Miller, Doug Phillips & Adam Howells
- 2nd Beaulieu A
- 3rd SEH A
- 4th Alresford
- 5th Romsey A
- 6th Bishops Waltham
- 7th Romsey B

Well done to all that took part

Mr & Miss Hampshire, Junior Personality of the Year

This took part on the same evening as Call my Bluff, with the most entries that we have had for a few years it took a while to get through them all, judges for the evening was County President John Korbey and Pat West – Thank you to you both for your help and

Miss Hampshire

- 1st Sarah Archibald
- 2nd Lucy Farrell
- 3rd Sarah Hodgett

Mr Hampshire

- 1st Matthew Collins
- 2nd Sam Foote
- 3rd Will Abraham

Overall winner of Member of the Year was - Sarah Archibald

Junior Personality of the Year

- 1st Stephen Parfoot-Gray
- 2nd Ben Dolbear
- 3rd Tom House

Well done to all that took part

UP & COMING COMPETITIONS AND EVENTS



Annual Dinner Dance – Bishops Waltham
Saturday 17th March – 7.00pm till Midnight
Marriott Meon Valley Hotel, Shedfield

3 Course meal followed by mints & Coffee – Dress code – Black tie/Evening Dress

Ticket £25 – contact Clare Collins – 01489 860236

County Bowling – Organised by Alresford YFC
Thursday 15th March 2007
Millbrook Bowling Alley, Southampton
7pm for 7.30pm start



£7 per person depending on number of entries

Please let Rachel Foote or Sally Bowden know if you want to enter a team by 28th February so they can book enough lanes!

Rachel – 07740529833

Sally – 01256 389201



Linear Assessment Training

19th March 2007

Leckford Estate

Start at 7pm

A chance to get some training for anyone interested in taking part in the Linear Assessment class on Stockjudging day.

Hosted by Steve Mitchell, he will give you an insight to what he would be looking for.

Please contact Kelly at the county office if you would like to attend this training session

Hampshire Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs Stockjudging Day

Sunday 1st April 2007

Sparsholt College

If your entries have not been sent to the county office please can you ensure they are sent this week.

Fresh Start Academy Meeting

Sparsholt College

5th April 2007



'The Fresh Start Academy aims to encourage & support new entrants into the industry by improving their business skills and teaming them up with retiring farmers in what is potentially a unique matchmaking and training project.'

A Hampshire Fresh Start Academy started in January of this year, and meet monthly at Sparsholt College. Meetings so far have had some excellent speakers, such as David Christensen, a successful dairy farmer from Oxford. Topics discussed so far have included business management and planning, and How to apply for a County council Tenancy. The programme for the following months include topics such as managing labour, diversification, asset management, and visit to Leckford estate.

The Fresh start Academy is open to anyone wanting to get into agriculture, or already working in the industry. It's a great opportunity to build on existing skills, and make use of the knowledge of the academy's Stakeholders who include Land agents, representatives from County Council Farms, a Nuffield Scoler, Agricultural bank managers. Fresh Start is supported nationally by the NFYFC.

The next meeting in being held in the 5th April at 7.30 in the Jane Austen suit at Sparsholt Collage Hampshire, discussing the topic of Marketing.

For details of future event and how to get involved, please contact:

Douglas Jackson douglas@laurencegould.com



BUNNIES & BURGLARS PARTY



14th April 7:30 - late
George & Falcon in Warnford (on A32)
Tickets £5
Fancy dress compulsory!

***CONTACT GRAHAM COLLETT FOR TICKETS & MORE INFO 07947
246669***

Hampshire County Clay Shoot

15th April 12:00 book in for 12:30 start
Gunners Wood nr Petersfield
(signed clay shoot off A32 and A272)

50 birds

- **Teams of 4**
- **Top junior**
- **Top Senior**
- **Top Lady**
- **Overall top score**
- **Pool Shoot**

Entry £10 per person

For more information call Nick Silvester

07762722738

Clubs **MUST** bring one scorer each and membership cards must be shown (**no card no shoot**)

Fibre Wads Only, Food Available, Cartridges Available

Young Farmer Annual Convention
Friday 27th – Monday 30th April 2007
Torquay

Please contact Rachel Foote for any other information – 07740 529833

TRAINING

Management Adventure Course
Craven Arms, Shropshire
30 March – 1 April 2007

£50 per person

If this is something you are interested in attending, please contact Kelly in County Office

OTHER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sponsorship needed for Horse Show - As you may or may not know Dave & Jean has begun working on the Horse Show for 2007 and they are contacting local businesses to sponsor classes on the day, it is important that we get people and companies to sponsor this event or it can not go ahead. If you or you know of a person or local business that would like to sponsor a class, please contact either Dave & Jean Banks on 01590 611349 or contact the county office.

As you will know I do not attend all of the events held by the YFC clubs, therefore any photos or reports that can be published in the newsletter need to sent to the county office, these can be sent via post or email office@hampshireyfc.org

Desperately seeking!!!

Hampshire Young Farmers Supporters Club

We are looking for a new Secretary/treasurer for the supporters club. It is mainly administrative work with just one committee meeting a year in January or February.

If any kind person would like to take on this job please contact County office or the Chairman of the supporters club committee Stella Leppard 023 92 381929 or email stellaleppard@hotmail.com

Hampshire Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs

We are still looking for a Treasurer for the County office, if you are interested; please speak with the County Chairman – Tim Parsons on 07796267627

HFYFC MEMBERS - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2007		See Key Below-	M	C	S	I
	12 th	County Executive Meeting – Sparsholt	M			
	17 th	Annual Dinner Dance – Bishops Waltham			S	
	19 th	Policies & Development Meeting – Sparsholt	M			
	30 th – 1 st	Management Adventure Course – National		C		
April	1 st	Stockjudging Day – Sparsholt		C		
	22 nd	Competitions Day – Sparsholt		C		
May	11 th	Sparsholt College Countryside Live				I
	12 th	Sparsholt College Countryside Day				I
	13 th	Rally Day		C		
June	7 th – 9 th	South of England Show		C		
	17 th	SEA Summer Comps		C		
July	1 st – 4 th	The Royal Show				I
	8 th	Alton Show				I
	15 – 16 th	Aldershot Army Show				I
	24 th – 26 th	New Forest & Hampshire County Show				I
September	1 st	Alresford Show				I
	8 th	Romsey Show				I
	19 th – 20 th	Dairy Event 2007				I

KEY: M=Meeting, C=Course or Competition, S=Social Event, I= Information.

If you have any club news or events that you would like the other clubs to know about, please email or telephone Kelly Stroud at County Office on office@hampshireyfc.co.uk or 01962 776270