



# SUFFOLK YFC NEWSLETTER

## OCTOBER 2016

Suffolk Federation of  
Young Farmers Clubs

13TH OCTOBER 2016

### AGM season is here!

The tour of the county is underway and the AGM's are coming thick and fast. So far I've only managed to get lost once and done 9 AGM's with only 2 more to do!

Congratulations to all the clubs so far for having such great years, the hard work you have all put into your clubs has been inspiring. I really think you need to make more of the huge achievements you have had so please if you have something you need your praises singing for just let me know and I'll sort it out!

Good luck to the new committees and those yet to be voted in! Tory xx

#### MEMBERSHIP!!

We finished last year on 302 highest for a long time. So where are we now? 97 paid up already!

Brett Valley 29  
Deben Valley 3  
Gipping Valley 12  
Lark Valley 14

Bury St Edmunds 10  
Debenham 0  
Hadleigh 15  
Halesworth 0  
Melton 0  
Stowmarket 14



CAMPOUT 2016 brilliant fun apart from the jellyfish! Thanks to all of our senior helpers and to the juniors for getting stuck in and having a lot of fun!

CHAIRMAN OF THE MONTH  
Will start awarding these next month!

MEMBER OF THE MONTH

#### SPORTS STANDINGS.....

CURRENT POSITIONS INCLUDING SUMMER LIP-SYNC AND NEW MEMBERS WEEK PROMO

#### Senior

1st	Bury	22points
2nd	Debenham	18 points
3rd	Stowmarket	12 points

Juniors haven't quite started yet!

Bonus attendance points are awarded for helping out at events so Brett, Gipping and Bury stacked up a few more with their help at harvest festival thank you very much for that.

Sports Day next weekend will be the proper start to the competitions programme.

PLEASE CAN ALL MEMBERSHIP FORMS BE AT THE OFFICE BY 12NOON AT THE LATEST ON THURSDAY 20TH OCTOBER

NO CARD NO PLAY!

#### Diary Dates October— December

14/10 Gipping Valley  
19/10 Suffolk AGM  
23/10 Autumn Sports, Old Buckenham Hall School

#### November

1/11 Sports & Social , office  
11/11 Fireworks @ Walnut Tree Farm, Henley  
19/11 Debenham YFC Annual Ball  
23/11 County Meeting—East Anglian Air Ambulance, The Limes, Needham Market  
25/11 Winter Competitions

#### December

6/12 F&MC, Office  
11/12 Tractor Run, East vs West  
13/12 New Officer Training  
16/12 Suffolk YFC do Panto

That's it for now!

DEBENHAM YFC ANNUAL BALL

SATURDAY 19TH NOVEMBER

DEBENHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE

ALL DETAILS/TICKET SALES FROM DEBENHAM YFC COMMITTEE

**ENSORS OFFER FREE AGRICULTURAL BREAKFAST SEMINARS**

9 November – Imperial War Museum, Duxford

30 November – Haughley Park Barn, Stowmarket.

Registration for both events is at 7.45am and the event will close at 9.30am.

<http://www.ensors.co.uk/events/118/agricultural-breakfasts/>



**Suffolk Young Farmers**  
**Tractor Run**  
Sunday 11th of December

**East**  
@ Debach Airfield  
IP13 6QS

**Vs. West**  
@ Hall Farm,  
Whepstead IP29  
4TA

**£10 Entry**  
Tickets and full details available  
from Suffolk YF County at:  
[office@suffolkyoungfarmers.com](mailto:office@suffolkyoungfarmers.com)

**JUNIOR BALL IS GO**

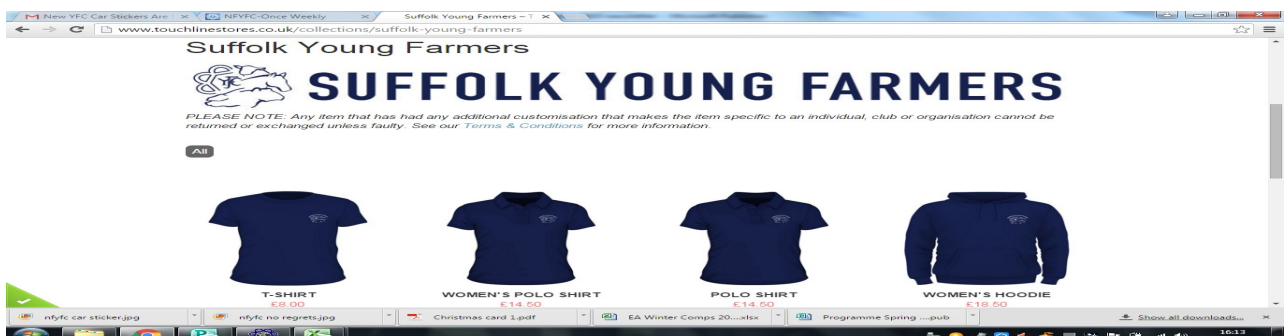
Saturday 3rd December

Wetherden Village Hall

Tickets £19 including 2 course meal, disco by Double D Disco

Further details will follow!

**GET YOUR YFC CLOTHING FROM HERE**  
**GO TO**  
**[WWW.TOUCHLINESTORES.CO.UK/COLLECTIO](http://WWW.TOUCHLINESTORES.CO.UK/COLLECTIO)**



## Upcoming events/opportunities...

### JOBS.....

#### WANTED

#### EXPERIENCED AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY OPERATORS

BUCKINGHAM PLANT HIRE LIMITED HAS A NUMBER OF JOB OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE WITHIN BRITISH SUGAR'S BEET FACTORY AT BURY ST. EDMUNDS FOR

#### EXPERIENCED & RELIABLE TRACTOR DRIVERS

Operating brand new John Deere 6155 Tractors  
Hauling round bales from Baler to Stacking Areas  
Safety Training & Inductions will be delivered  
Good Welfare Facilities on Site  
Jobs to commence on Mon 3rd October or earlier  
Dayshift and Nightshift Working are both available  
Both shifts last 11½ hours six o'clock to six o'clock  
Operators will work 57½ hours per week over 7 days  
Work Rotas will include some weekend working  
Continuous work available until Mid-January 2017  
Self-Employed engagement is available  
Good Rates of Pay available to successful applicants

CALL – Paul Wheeler on 07767 808320 or

CALL – Sharon Mayes on 01280 823355

and heavy land cultivations using modern large machinery with GPS. Basic tractor driving skills + drivers licence required. Training can be given to people with a can do attitude. Accommodation can be provided if required. Good rates of pay and long hours starting early July.

#### Charity Horse Ride

We are running another Charity Horse Ride on the 27th November – It is going to be held Little Lodge Farm in Santon Downham. It is a 10 mile charity ride starting at 11am. Entry is £15 before 22nd November or £20 on the day.

It would be great if we could have the help of the Young Farmers Club to help us organise Parking and Stewarding on the day – if possible 2 – 5 helpers.

Also should any be interested in doing the ride, that would be fantastic. All proceeds of the ride are going to St Nicholas Hospice Care.

Call Lily Higson or Laura McMullan on 01284 767766 or email [laura.mcmullan@atkinsthomson.com](mailto:laura.mcmullan@atkinsthomson.com)

#### NFYFC Travel Programme now OPEN

Further information, resources & applications can be found on the NFYFC website

at: <http://www.nfyfc.org.uk/TravelwithYFC/yfctravel>

Application deadline date:

Friday 11th November 2016

YFC Travel Selection Day :

Saturday 3rd December 2016

This year interviews will be held via Skype rather than applicants attending a day selection process – online interview guidelines attached (x2). New Zealand (Working Scholarship) applicants will be required to attend an interview at the NFYFC office, Stoneleigh Park, CV8 2LG on this day.

Help with a research project about cats on farms and you could win £50 worth of high street vouchers.

A group of researchers at Bristol and Plymouth University are investigating cats on farms via an anonymous online survey for farmers and farm workers.

The aim is to find out the numbers of cats on farms, what provisions are made for them, and what the general attitude is towards cats on farms. This is an area in which very little is currently known. As well as an online survey the researchers also have paper copies available to send out. The questionnaire can be completed whether there are cats on your farm or not. There is the chance to win one of three £50 vouchers of the winner's choice from [www.highstreetvouchers.com](http://www.highstreetvouchers.com). The link is <https://svs.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/cats-on-farms> If clubs would like paper copies to hand out at meetings (with freepost envelopes) please email [claire.e.roberts@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:claire.e.roberts@bristol.ac.uk) or call Jane Murray: 0117 3319206 (can leave message). The researcher is also available to attend meetings to give a talk if needed.

## Discounts available for paid up members...

### **SPOILT YOUNG FARMERS.....PAY ATTENTION WE'VE NEGOTIATED THE FOLLOWING FOR THOSE IN POSESSION OF A MEMBERSHIP CARD....CARDS MUST BE SHOWN**

Ernest Doe Power Framlingham, Broadwater Road, Framlingham, Suffolk, IP13 9LL. 20% off all purchases of Clothing and Footwear.

Ernest Doe & Sons Limited, The Mill, Marlesford, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP13 0AG. 20% off all purchases of clothing and Footwear.

Simply Splendid, 14 Station Yard, Needham Market, Ipswich IP6 8AS 01449 722969 10% off all hire and purchase items (evening dresses, ball gowns)

The Suffolk Hat Co, Greenacres, Pond Hall Road, Hadleigh 07802 787857 10% off any purchase hire or buy

The Beauty Spot, The Old Chapel, School Road, Coddendam, IP6 9PR 01449 760777 15% discount on all treatments.

Mill Saddlery and Countrywear, Mill Street, Stowupland, Stowmarket, IP14 5BJ 01449 672225 10% items over £50 from the shop excluding feed, saddlery repairs or special offers

Stuart Clay Traps, 3 Wilford Bridge Road, Melton, Woodbridge, IP12 1DG 01394 385567 20% of all clothing. Speak to Andy for info.

Stonham Barns Golf Centre, Pettaugh Road, Stonham Aspal, Stowmarket, IP14 6AT. 25% off Golf, Foot Golf and Mini Putting. Members will need to book Foot Golf in advance.

#### IFYFC NEGOTIATED DISCOUNTS.—For full details [www.ifyfc.org.uk/](http://www.ifyfc.org.uk/)

Tenant Farmers Association—membership package costs £75 per year and as a member of the National Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs, you will receive one additional month of membership for free! Or Student package £35 per year and gives you access to the members area of our website housing useful documents to assist with your studies. You will also receive regular newsletters keeping you up to date with the latest issues affecting tenant farmers.

Farmers Weekly—subscribe to Farmers Weekly – in print, on tablet or both together – from only £74 – that's 50% off the normal price of £149!

BASC Membership—Young Farmers from the age of 21 up to the age of 26 will get all the benefits of BASC membership for an annual rate of just £35 (instead of the usual £70). Up to the age of 21, they can take advantage of existing BASC Young Shot membership at £23.

Go Ape—10% discount

Timothy Foxx—5% off

The AA—Up to 45% discount at enrolment and 10% on renewals

Merlin Group—Alton Towers, London Eye, Madam Tussauds, Legoland, Chessington discounts

NFU membership—NFU YFC Membership is now FREE for all YFC members aged 16-26 across England and Wales

EASI ATV training - 50% DISCOUNT FOR YFC MEMBERS

Next Level Driver Training— 10% off towing courses

Tottie Equestrian Wear—25% off!

Massey Ferguson Online Shop— <http://shop.masseyferguson.com/> 15% off all items quote APRSAVE15

Cotswald Outdoor—10% off instore and online for all members

ALL OF THESE OFFER DETAILS ARE AVAILABLE VIA [www.ifyfc.org.uk/specialoffersanddiscounts/memberoffers](http://www.ifyfc.org.uk/specialoffersanddiscounts/memberoffers) and accessible by using the email and password you are issued by IFYFC on receiving your YFC membership number.