



STAFFORDSHIRE FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS

YFC Centre, County Showground, Weston Road, Stafford, ST18 0BD

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INFORMATION SHEET, RULES AND PRACTICE EVENING INFO



Staffordshire YFC Silage Competition

DATE: Saturday 23rd March 2019

Note that there is a Practice Night being held on Tuesday 19th March 2019 to which ALL clubs are invited, please see page 3 for all details!

TIME: Teams to arrive **promptly** at 10.30am for booking in.

JUDGES: Intermediate and Senior – Steve Briggs
Junior – Will Gallimore

STEWARDS: Rob Mollatt, Beckie Phillips & Polly Baines

Clubs taking part:

ASHLEY A	ECCLESHALL	UTTOXETER A
ASHLEY B	LEEK	UTTOXETER B
ASHLEY C	LICHFIELD	WATERHOUSES A
CHASE	STONE	WATERHOUSES B

RULES & MAP: See page 2

ANYONE TAKING PART MUST BRING THEIR CURRENT MEMBERSHIP CARD, SIGNED AND COMPLETE WITH A PHOTO. REMEMBER – NO CARD/PHOTO = NO COMPETITION!
Anyone aged 17 or under must bring a signed parental consent form.

VENUES: SIGNING IN AT 10.30am AT HALL FARM, PIPE RIDWARE, WS15 3QL

Three clamps will be judged as follows:

1st Clamp at 10.45am- Hall Farm, Pipe Ridware, WS15 3QL by kind permission of R J Smith & Son

2nd Clamp at 11.15am – Longacre Farm, Blithbury, Nr Rugeley, WS15 3JL by kind permission of CH Froggatt & Sons

3rd Clamp at 11.45am – Townend Farm, Blithbury Road, Rugeley, WS15 3RX by kind permission of Mycock Family

Lunch & Reason Giving: The Bull & Spectacles, Uttoxeter Road, Blithbury, WS15 3HY
(Carvery & Pudding, £6.95/person)

Lunch will be provided for our judges.

Contact details on the day are Rob Mollatt 07534 339925 or Polly Baines 07854 815508

Remember that if you Club withdraws from a competition within 7 days of the day of the competition, then you will receive a £10 fine and -6 points from the Overall Competitions Cup ☹



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Rules

Silage Competition - Saturday 23rd March 2019. SCFYFC Rules. A team to consist of 3 competitors, 1 competitor 16 and under, 1 Competitor 21 and under and 1 26 or under on 1.9.18. Members may enter as individuals if a full team is not available.

1. The Silage competition shall comprise three clamps as to their suitability for winter-feed using the following assessment criteria to mark them:
 - i. Dry Matter %
 - ii. Effluent control
 - iii. Soil contamination and quality of crop ensiled
 - iv. Clamp filling, shoulders and consolidation
 - v. Clamp sealing, sheets, nets and covers
 - vi. Face management and clamp cleanliness
 - vii. Top, side and shoulder waste
 - viii. Usage rate and wastage feed-out
 - ix. Visual quality assessment
 - x. Overall Impression

Each of the above points is marked by the competitor on a 0 – 5 scale.

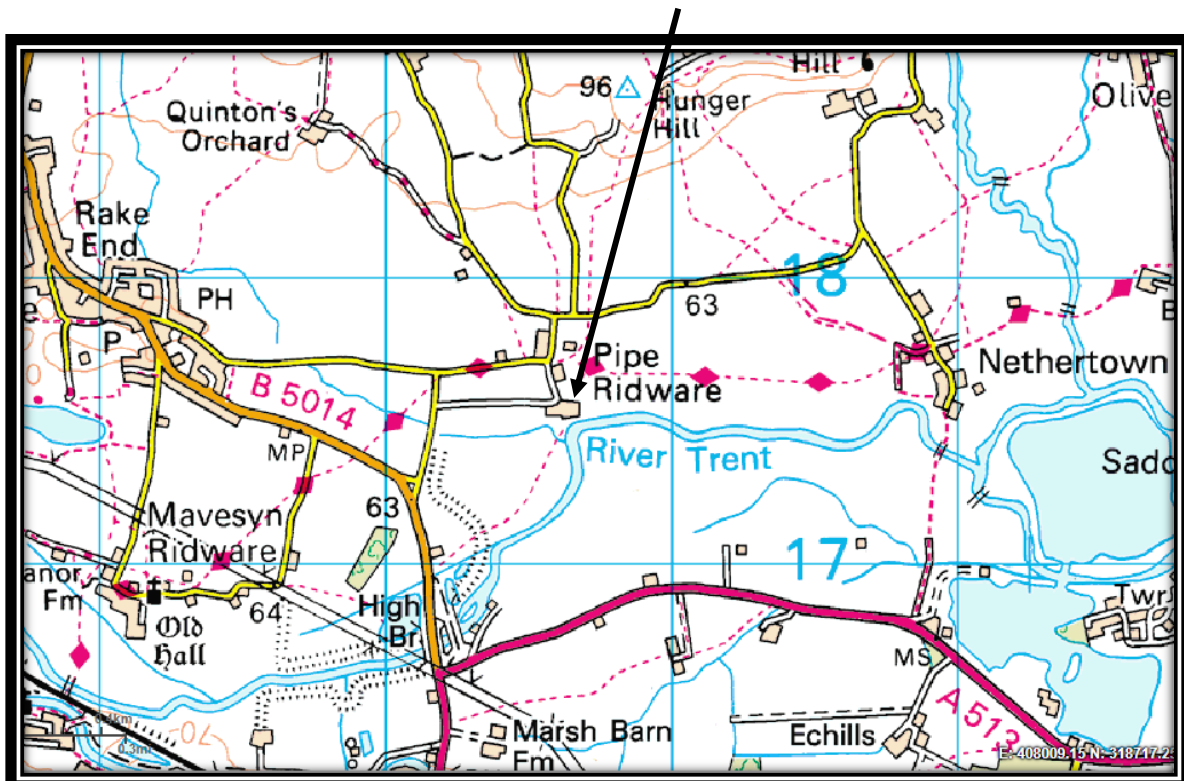
For the Senior and Intermediate section, competitors will also be required to calculate the clamp size.

2. Each competitor will be allowed 15 minutes to judge each silage clamp and complete a scorecard. The completed scorecard shall be handed to the Steward 15 minutes after judging each clamp.
3. Each competitor shall give reasons for their choice within a maximum of three minutes to the master judge. Marks will be deducted at 2 marks for every 15 seconds over or part thereof.
4. Certificates shall be awarded to the first three members in each Section of the Competition as well as the first three overall teams when junior, intermediate and senior marks are combined.
5. If there is a tie - the competitor presenting the best reasons in the opinion of the Judges shall be the winner.
6. The judges decision is final.

7. SCALE OF MARKS

Correct Assessment	50
(1 point will be deducted for each point of variation from the Master Judge's score)	
Placings	50
Accuracy of Observations	25
Positive Comparison	15
Style (including presentation of competitor)	10
Clamp Size Score (Intermediate and Senior only)	50
TOTAL PER COMPETITOR	150 (200 Intermediate & Senior)

SIGNING IN AND FIRST CLAMP – HALL FARM, PIPE RIDWARE, WS15 3QL



ALL CLUBS ARE INVITED TO SEND MEMBERS ALONG TO.....

A SILAGE JUDGING PRACTICE EVENING

BY KIND PERMISSION OF THE BROWN FAMILY

NEW BUILDINGS FARM, LEA ROAD, RUGELEY, WS15 3NR

TUESDAY 19TH MARCH 2019

8pm - 9.30pm

- ❖ TOP TIPS FROM THE JUDGES!
- ❖ “HOW TO” GIVE YOUR REASONS!
- ❖ WHAT TO LOOK FOR!

Contact Rob Mollatt on 07534 339925 more information.

