



# STAFFORDSHIRE FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS

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

**President:** Phillip Bourne **Chairman:** William Freeman  
**Treasurer:** Angela Woodward **Organiser:** Julia Taylor



**DATE OF ISSUE:** 16<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Kindly Supported by

## INFORMATION SHEET, RULES AND PRACTICE EVENING INFO

### Staffordshire YFC Silage Competition



**DATE:** Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2020

**Note that there is a Practice Night being held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020 (PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE FROM CALENDAR) 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:** Senior – TBC (Representative from ACT Wessex Animal Health)  
Intermediate – Will Gallimore  
Junior – Johnny Wilson

**STEWARDS:** Will Freeman, Phil Wilson, Amy Boothby, Harry Bowers and Bertie Clowes

#### Clubs taking part:

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

**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 HOLLIES FARM, HOLLIES COMMON, STAFFORD, ST20 0JD

Three clamps will be judged as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Clamp at 10.45am- Hollies Farm, Hollies Common, Stafford, ST20 0JD by kind permission of DW & JL Bowers

2<sup>nd</sup> Clamp at 11.15am – Coton End Farm, Gnosall, ST20 0EA by kind permission of Tomkinson Farms Ltd

3<sup>rd</sup> Clamp at 11.45am – Church Farm, Norbury, Stafford, ST20 0PB by kind permission of E & R Bratton

**Lunch & Reason Giving:** The Cock inn, Newport Road, Woodseaves, ST20 0NP  
(Food available, £8-10/person)

Lunch will be provided for our judges.

**Contact details on the day** are Will Freeman 07425 621007, Harry Bowers 07504 703819 or Bertie Clowes 07908 810609

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 😞



01785 248645



countyoffice@staffsyoungfarmers.org.uk



staffsyoungfarmers.org.uk

Registered Charity No. 522815

## Rules

**Silage Competition - Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2020.** 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 1.9.19. 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.

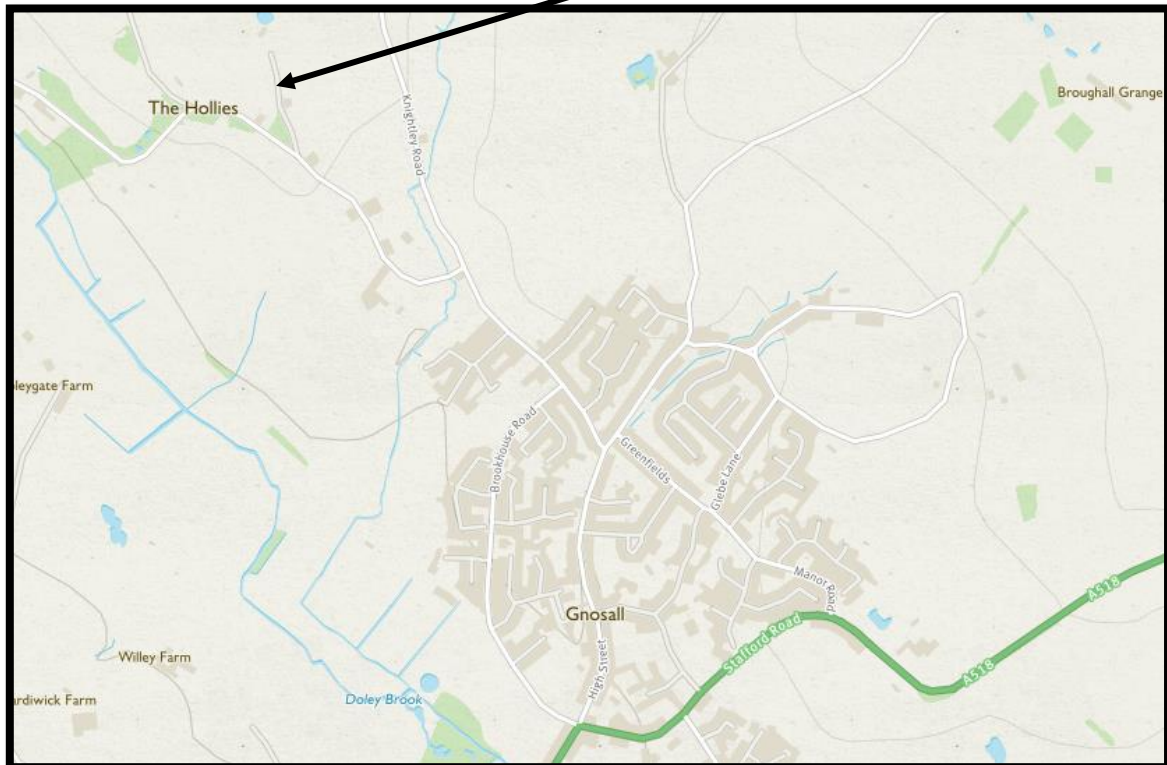
For the Senior and Intermediate section, competitors will also be required to calculate the clamp size.

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
<b>TOTAL PER COMPETITOR</b>	<b>150 (200 Intermediate &amp; Senior)</b>

## SIGNING IN AND FIRST CLAMP – HOLLIES FARM, HOLLIES COMMON, STAFFORD, ST20 0JD



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

# **A SILAGE JUDGING PRACTICE EVENING**

BY KIND PERMISSION OF THE GALLIMORE FAMILY

WATERY LEESE FARM, KINGSTONE, UTTOXETER, ST14 8QU

MONDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2020

(PLEASE NOTE AMENDED DATE)

7.30pm for a prompt 8pm START

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

AND BY THE END OF THE EVENING YOU WILL FULLY EQUIPPED FOR THE STAFFS YFC SILAGE JUDGING COMPETITION! 😎

