

PEMBROKESHIRE FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS
County Competitions Meeting at Agriculture House, Haverfordwest
11th October 2017

Present: Non Thorne (County Chairman), Alwyn Evans (County President), Katie Davies (County Vice Chairman) Alice James (Immediate Past County Chairman/Sports Co-ordinator), Eirlys Davies (Vice President) Richard Summons, Rachel Jones (Co-opted) Adam George (Brawdyhayscastle), Liz King, Amy James (Clunderwen), Alun Edwards, Delun Evans (Eglwyswrw), Hannah George, Nicola Luke-Evans, Sam Kurtz (Fishguard) Sara Williams, Betsan Williams (Hermon), Lawrence Hancock, Laura Rogers (Keyston) Owain Lewis, Simon Snape, Emily Jones, Daisy Lewis (Llawhaden) Ffion Edwards, Christina Morgan (Llysyfran) Rebecca Smith, Diane James (Martletwy) Lauren Davies, Martha Perkins (South Pembs) Matthew Davies, Hannah Phillips (Templeton) Joanne Davies, Aled Thomas(Tiers Cross)

Apologies: Karen Jones, Gaynor Hancock, Edna Davies, Lucy Kiff, Cerys Jones, Jason Davies, Matthew Jones

Chairman's remarks

- Katie Davies welcomed everyone along to her first meeting as competitions chairman. She thanked everyone for their support and congratulated Non as the new county chairman. Katie also congratulated Alice on a fantastic year leading us to some fabulous successes as well as finishing in style with a fantastic sum raised for Withybush Cancer Unit.

Congratulations were extended to all our new delegates at Wales especially to Steph Morgan on being elected chair of training and Angharad Edwards on being elected vice chair of International Committee. Katie noted that the AGM was a good weekend.

The year has got off to a fantastic start again with Rhydian Bevan of Llysyfran winning the senior stockman competition at national and in Malvern Show – Cookery Jill Luke Evans, Cerys Davies and Llinos Raymond of Fishguard YFC placed first with Carys Vaughan, Eglwyswrw coming 6th, Tyleri Warlow Llysyfran 4th and Apryl Lewis James Llawhaden 23rd in a high standard of competition.

New officer's night – Thanks to everyone who turned out for the club officers training and to the trainers, Alice James Non Thorne, Nia George and Helen Hodges. Also thanks to Narberth Rugby Club for the warm welcome.

Thank you to Martletwy YFC for arranging a fantastic evening for our Harvest Festival at Pysgah Chapel. It was great to see the chapel full and the alter filled with kind gifts from all 12 clubs which will be donated to PATCH.

1. Minutes of the last meeting held on 7th June 2017

Katie read the minutes and they were signed as a true record.

2. Matters arising.

Action points from the previous minutes

Parkhouse has been booked for May 26th 2018 for the County Rally.

Alun Griffiths has been approached and has accepted to act as quiz master for the 2018 Quiz Final to be held at Agriculture House on the 6th December.

Judges already put forward have been written to regarding adjudicating at the Winter Fair, English Public Speaking, County Pantomimes, Junior member, Senior Member, and Situations Vacant.

Field Day 2018 - A proposal was received at the Executive committee meeting for Llangloffan Cross (Jill's Parents) to be invited to host the Field Day. Nia just wanted to check that the offer still stood as neither Jill nor Nicola was in attendance at that meeting.

Eisteddfod -

Mr Huw Foulkes will be adjudicating the music

Mrs Heiddwen Tomos will be adjudicating the recitation and Home work

Mr Arwel Jones is unable to attend but Ms Meinir Thomas has agreed to step in for the light section.

Shan Griffiths and Joy Cornock have agreed to act as selectors

Margaret Rhys has another engagement so will be at the Eisteddfod at a later time.
Angharad James has agreed to share the accompanist duties.

Ionwy Thorne has been invited to act as MC for the combined chairing and crowning ceremony.

Mr Eurfyl Reed was unable to prepare a crown this year but County President Mr Alwyn Evans has undertaken the job of finding a crown and has kindly donated a crown for this year and a crown for next year's eisteddfod. Alwyn Evans presented a fantastic crown and noted that he also has one prepared for 2018.

Alwyn raised concerns regarding the choice of topics for the Eisteddfod. A panel of experts really should meet to ratify the choices and also any choices made should be correctly sent out to competitors. He noted examples of the mistakes in a number of competitions. It was agreed that Non and Hannah would take the information back to the next Wales competition meeting.

3. County Knockout Quiz - draw for 2nd round

The draw for the 2nd round of the quiz will be done at the executive meeting on the 25th October to allow for each round to have been played.

4. Indoor sports - draw for 1st round to be played by 10th January 2018

Hosting

Eglwysrwrw V Keyston

Llysyfran V Brawdyhayscastle

South Pembs V Hermon

Tiers Cross V Templeton

Llawhaden V Fishguard

Clunderwen V Martletwy

5. Pub Quiz

Date for Pub Quiz:

Corresponding date: 19th Feb-

Quiz Master was our County President last year. Winning team was Karen Rhiannon and Pete. - It was noted that they have done it a few times over the years and that they themselves would like a break from it.

Richard George was suggested

Reserve: Dennis Reed

Venue: Last year was Golf club - It was felt that the golf club was too small last year to accommodate all the teams. However the option to have a meal prior to the quiz was a welcome addition.

Other suggestions

Snooty Fox 1st choice
Pavilion
Cricket/Rugby Club
Llwyngwair Manor, Newport

6. Update of Judges and competitions 2017-18

Rules packs have been circulated to all club secretaries.

7. Competitions 2017/18

Draw for Pantomime 2018

Welsh
Hermon
Eglwysrwr

English -
Wednesday 7th Feb
South Pembs/ /Templeton
Fishguard
Llysyfran

Thursday 8th

Llawhaden
Brawdyhayscastle
Keyston

Friday 9th
Clunderwen
TX
Martletwy

There will be no adjudicator on the final night just a performance from the final three and the results

A number of extra competitions have been added and we need to decide if we hold them where.

Tiers Cross was the only club to express an interest in preparing a sign for the winter fair. It was agreed that they be invited to produce the sign and any financial gain would be given to the club.

A discussion followed and it was agreed Intention of entry for each competition would be sent out in time for the next meeting in January

Sheep Dog Trials
Clay Pigeon Shooting
Disco Dancing
Jump Rope
Dream Machines

8. Queen, Attendants and male ambassadors competitions -

Proposals had been sent to clubs for discussion regarding the Queen attendant and male ambassador competition. A discussion followed with all clubs voicing their club's responses. A vote followed and it was narrowly agreed to leave the competition as it was but due to the closeness of the vote Katie suggested an annual review. It was also agreed to hold the competition on a Sunday prior to the field day and keep the result to be announced at the field day dance.

Suggestions were made for the adjudicators for Male ambassador and Queen and Attendants: -

Ros Bushel
Meurig Raymond
Mererid Jones
Aled Jones
Nick Williams
Janet Morgan

Reserves: Eirios Thomas, Joy Cornock Thomas.

9. Entry form for Queen attendants and male Ambassadors Competition
Members had also requested amendments to the dated entry form. No suggestions had been received but Nia had prepared an amended entry form for discussion. This draft was discussed and amended and a finalised new form was agreed.

10. Any Other Business

Tomorrow night at Pembrokeshire College Pembrokeshire YFC will be represented at the Shwmae Awards. Good luck to Charles George & Alice James. Good luck was also extended to Katie Davies

Friday night.

Ball in a Hall - Llawhaden Hall. Black and white themed evening. Pay on the door £7 per ticket. Bring your own nibbles and drinks. Dancing to Dan Morgan DJ.

Pub of the Month - Hermon are to arrange of the pub of the month followed by Keyston

11. To confirm date of next meeting **Wednesday 10th January 2018 at 8.00p.m.**
Meeting Closed - 9:30pm