

Executive Committee Meeting

Held on 26th June 2019 at Agriculture House, Winch Lane, Haverfordwest at 8.00pm

Chairman's remarks

The Chairman, Miss Katie Davies, opened the meeting and welcomed everyone present. She noted that this was her last meeting in the chair and thanked everyone for their support during the last year. She mentioned that it had been a busy few months recently, highlighting the County Field Day, Wales Field Day and thanking everyone for all their help and hard work, demonstrating the teamwork we have in Pembrokeshire. She also mentioned Pre-Rally competitions along with Rally Day and congratulated Keyston YFC on winning the overall Rally Shield for the first time. Congratulations were also extended to the Queen, Male Ambassador and Attendants, and were thanked for all their hard work in preparing the Rally site, decorating the stage and the floral displays. Tom Bevan and Richard Summons were thanked for co-ordinating the Rally dance, leading to another successful event for the County. She also thanked Owain and Sian for their hard work in the lead up to Rally and on the day. She wished good luck to those going forward to represent the county at the Royal Welsh Show.

Apologies for absence

It was asked to note apologies in the attendance book.

1. Minutes of the last meeting held on 27th March 2019

The minutes of the last meeting were read and signed as a true record.

2. Matters Arising

- a) The Defibrillator Training was held and was a good evening despite low number of attendees.
- b) Congratulations to Llysyfran on winning the Knockout quiz final
- c) Outdoor Cinema was another successful and social event, raising £1600.00

3. Correspondence

- a) A letter of thanks was received from Wales YFC regarding hosting the Wales YFC Field Day.
- b) A request was received from Wales YFC for 3 YPV Stewards on the Monday evening. Iwan George offered to steward, and it was agreed to send to clubs for a further 2 names.
- c) A request was received from Wales YFC for 4 Stewards for the Singing Competition at the Royal Welsh on the Monday evening. Iwan George, Esther Davies, Terrie Savage and Carys Phillips offered to steward.
- d) Nomination Form for Wales YFC Chairman and Vice Chairman, and Vice Presidents was received. Iwan George proposed Katie Davies as Wales YFC Chairman, and seconded by Angharad Edwards, Llysyfran. There were no Vice Chairman nominations. Wales YFC Vice Presidents were discussed and requested to find out who our current representative is. It was mentioned that Miss Helen Hodges has been previously, and if she currently is, it was agreed to nominate Helen again.

4. To receive and adopt the following reports:

a. Rural Affairs Meeting

Miss Georgie Radmore reported the following points:

- Aled Thomas has been elected as Secretary for the committee and Georgie wished Aled and the committee all the best for the future
- A trip to Great Hares Head with Ali Lawrence was planned and awaiting confirmation of date.

Katie thanked Georgie for all of her hard work as Rural Affairs over the past few years.

b. County Board of Management Meeting

The Board of Management Chairman, Mrs Karen Jones, reported on the recent meeting highlighting the following points:

- New water boiler has been purchased
- New pull up banners have been purchased, and were on display at Rally day
- Caroline, our treasurer, reported on the current bank balances. She mentioned the successful Outdoor Cinema event, that raised £1,600.00.
- Rally Day Income and Expenditure was discussed, and an overall profit of approximately £10,000 was reported
- The cost to the Queen, Male Ambassador and Attendant was discussed. There is a lot of cost involved in preparing food and paying for flowers for Rally Day, and this shouldn't be expected of our members.
- Tom gave a brief report on Rally Dance, stating that presale tickets were down on last year, however, more tickets were sold on the gate. Paying for the toilets to be cleaned was worth it, leaving in a good state. We shouldn't be expecting volunteers to be doing all the work with the profit we are making on these events. Very happy with how the event went.
- Pembrokeshire YFC have been offered a free website by a company called United Studios in Newport. Owain and Karen had met with representatives from the company and were happy to go ahead. This was discussed, and all agreed.
- The County Show Reception hospitality list of guests was discussed and agreed to remove the Deputy Leader and Members of the Council Cabinet, along with the Director of Education and County Youth Officer.
- Katie mentioned that she had been in contact with Emma from the DPJ Foundation regarding providing Mental Health training for members and leaders. It was proposed to offer this to 2 members and a leader from each club. Tania proposed the money raised from the Outdoor Cinema event put towards this to cover the cost.
- Owain gave the County Organiser's annual report.
- The 100+ club draws and amounts for the coming year was discussed and approved.
- The Yearbook and Annual Report was discussed, and it was agreed to combine both, and go with the format of the Yearbook, including the Annual Report, to be produced in time for the County Show.
- Tom updated on the Queen's Ball, and said that the venue, disco and band have been booked, and it was agreed to send the toilets away as they are, without cleaning.
- Update in the CIO, and we are waiting to hear back from the Charity Commission.

c. County Show Working Party

Katie Davies reported on the County Show working party meeting held before the Executive meeting, and highlighted the following points:

- The marquee to be positioned more square on with the tarmac.
- Similar layout inside with, clubs asked to bring scrapbooks, club shirts, E R Phillips boards, fashion parade and clubs to provide an information board about their club.
- Challenge would continue with PAS, NFU & FUW. Holding a daily challenge was discussed too.
- The reception to continue to be held on Tuesday morning at 11am.
- Clubs need to ensure they have people to help take down on the Thursday afternoon, and no club items will be brought back to the office.

d. County Competitions Sub-Committee Meeting

The Competitions Sub-Committee Chairman, Mr Iwan George, reported on the recent meeting highlighting the following points:

- The 2019 County Field Day was reviewed, and thanks were extended to Mr & Mrs Robert Richards, Mount Farm for hosting us this year. The venue was excellent and provided the perfect setup for the day.
- The 2019 County Rally was discussed, with reports received from The Chief Rally Stewards, County Organiser and Events Co-ordinator, stating a very successful day with very positive comments from members and public along with ideas and suggestions for improving next year.
- It was mentioned that it was difficult to find a band for the rally dance. This saved us £400, and it was agreed not to have a band at the rally dance.
- The 2020 Rally day date and venue was discussed
- The 2019-2020 County Calendar was discussed
- It was agreed to start the Eisteddfod at 10am with no limit on entries
- A discussion was held with regards to the possibility of amalgamating the Mini Winter Fair and the Field Day. Members to take back to clubs to discuss and bring feedback to the next meeting.

e. Wales Council & Sub –Committee Meetings

a. Wales Council

- Mrs Kathryn Jones has been appointed Chairman of Finance & Management
- Wales YFC Chairman Dafydd Jones is planning a tractor run around Wales visiting every county, and he reported on the Skydive fundraiser
- There was a presentation from the Events and Marketing Subcommittee regarding the changes to the YPV
- The head lease for the YFC Centre has been signed, and it is hoped that the Royal Visitor to the Royal Welsh Show will unveil a plaque on the Monday.

b. International Sub-committee

- Pembrokeshire are hosting international visitors between 17th and 21st July and 25th-28th July.
- We need people to host our 2 visitors from Ireland. Anyone interested to speak to Angharad Edwards or the County Office.

c. Competitions Sub-committee

- It was agreed to fine counties for late return of trophies and dirty trophies also, and that individuals must pay for any damage.
- The public speaking day has been changed to Sunday 22nd March

f. NFYFC Council & Sub Committee Meeting

The following points were highlighted from the NFYFC Council meeting

- Membership figures were discussed and are down
- The 10-26 publication has been removed to save costs
- The deficit forecast for this year is £30,000
- A weekly email to club Chairman and Secretaries is planned
- YFC Week was highlighted and discussed
- A YFC awards evening was discussed
- The possibility of live streaming NFYFC council meetings was discussed
- The NFYFC International travel interview day is 30th November.

5. Any other meeting attended by YFC representative

There were no other meetings

6. County Youth Forum

The Youth Forum leader, Miss Sioned Phillips, reported the following points:

- Llawhaden YFC's Junior Summer Party was advertised
- They wished to have a photographer at next year's junior ball
- A Summer water party was discussed and are looking into a date and venue
- A Youth Forum Instagram board for County Show was discussed

7. County Calendar

An updated version of the County Calendar was distributed.

A lengthy discussion took place regarding amalgamating the Field Day and Winter Fair into one competition day. Llawhaden proposed to keep it to the same format of having two separate days, and this was seconded by Tiers Cross. Eglwysrwr proposed we try two separate days, seconded by Hermon. A vote was held and the result being the two days be run separate as they do now.

Another discussion took place regarding the Knockout Quiz and Indoor Sports competition. It was noted that it is good to keep the social element and get clubs to visit each other. It was decided to continue with the same format but be stricter with dates of when games to be played by. It was agreed for the host clubs to provide 3 dates and if the away club was unable to play on the dates provided, they would forfeit. If the home club cancels once a date has been arranged, the home club forfeits. The draw for the first round would be done at the next competitions meeting, along with the date to play by.

8. Any other business.

a) Train the trainer

There is a train the trainer event coming up in October, and members were encouraged to attend. It was agreed that the cost of 3 members to attend the course would be covered by county at a cost of £125.00 per person.

b) Sports

Well done to all that took part in the sports competitions recently. Thank you to Sara Williams and Anthony Dew for providing first aid.

c) Indoor Sports

The draw for the semi-final was Keyston v Fishguard or Llysyfran, to be played by 17th July.

d) Clay Pigeon Shoot

The RWAS Feature County are holding a Clay Pigeon Shoot as a fundraiser. Stuart Miles and Luke Watts are helping with the organisations and asking Pembrokeshire YFC for support with stewarding on the day. This was agreed

e) Queen, Male Ambassador & Attendant Event

There is an event being planned for 29th September. Please save the date and more details will be available soon

f) Llysyfran YFC advertised their Sheep Racing event on Friday 5th July, and their Family Funday on Saturday 6th July

g) Wales YFC Skydive

Katie announced that she is joining Wales YFC Chairman Dafydd on his charity skydive, and asked members for their support and sponsorship

9. To confirm date of next meeting

AGM Wednesday, 25th September 2019 at 7.30p.m. Venue to be confirmed

The meeting was closed at 9.51pm