**WILTSHIRE YFC**

**RALLY 2023**

Theme ‘AT THE RACES’

Pre Rally competition Dates:

**Friday 6th January 2023 – Brainstrust competition** – 7.00pm at Purton & Cricklade Club Hut, Purton Stoke, Swindon SN5 4JG All team members need to be in attendance at 7.00pm ready for the draw.

**Sunday 29th January 2023 – Speaking Day** from 2.00pm at Seend Community Hall, Rusty Lane, Seend, SN12 6NS. Junior Public Speaking, Junior Reading, Junior member of the Year, Senior Member of the Year, Situations Vacant, Rally Sign, Call my bluff, Jump Rope, Social media advert & Street Dancing

**Sunday 22nd January 2023 – Stockjudging Day** – Beef, Breeding Ewe, Fat Lamb, Pigs & Dairy book in from 9.00am at Allington Bar Farm, Chippenham, Wiltshire SN14 6LJ

**Saturday 4th February 2023 - Hedgelaying** –in Pewsey 9am

Clay shooting – tbc

Senior & Junior Calf Handling judging – after 5th April.

**Saturday 1st April 2023 - Farm Skills & Horsejudging** (& possibly Blue seal sheep shearing training) at Aquetong Farm, Cresswell Lane, Lea, Malmesbury, Wiltshire SN16 9PE

 plus Tug of War eliminators if required due to number of entries

**COUNTY RALLY**

 **Saturday 29th April 2023**

**at Aquetong Farm, Cresswell Lane, Lea, Malmesbury, Wiltshire SN16 9PE**

PLEASE READ ALL CAREFULLY

1. Clubs may enter more than one competitor per competition, only the highest score will go towards the shield. Maximum of three entries per club per competition, unless stated. All ‘book in’ competitions are only one entry per club. One entry per member per competition

2. Competitors must be a member of a Young Farmers’ Club, with a CURRENT membership card from County Office. This must be shown at the start of the competition. Card must have recent photograph and signature on it.

3. All entries to be the competitors’ own unaided work. Including the displaying of the item ready for judging. Only competing members will be allowed in the Static Area for set up plus one Junior Leader per Club (NO PARENTS will be allowed in the static area unless to drop off items for the member to exhibit – they must leave straight after drop off)

4. Entry forms for pre-rally competitions to be returned by Clubs by the date stated on the form.

5. Rally day competitions – Intention to Enter forms (without names) to be returned to County Office before 1st April 2019. Final alterations must be notified two weeks before Rally.

6. Entry forms, with names of competitors to be in the Rally Office before 10.30am on Rally Day.

7. Competitors will be required to take part in both parts of a two part competition.

8. All competitors to report to the Competition Steward 15 minutes prior to the official start time.

9. Any competitor or substitute reporting late will be disqualified unless an agreement has been made with the Steward, with the approval of the Judge, before starting time.

10. In the interests of hygiene all cookery items MUST be covered with clingfilm.

11. NO EXHIBIT or part is to be removed from its point of display before 4.30pm. Any club or member not complying with this rule will lose ALL MARKS in that competition.

12. Judges do not like to disqualify entries, but the following will be in place.

ENTRY example theme per rules workmanship display taste? Total comments

NO. 10 25 etc etc 100

For example – if rules read max size 30cms x 30cms and the item is over this, or it states 6 items to be displayed and only 4 are there, then 0 points should be given for following the ‘per rules’ section (25% of total marks for the competition) on the score sheet, but the rest of the item can be judged and scored. If however the competition is a National Competition (NC) and the rules have not been followed, then disqualification will apply = 10 points, as would be so if item had gone through to National Final. All competitions are out of 100 (unless stated for National Competitions). The minimum score for attending and competing is 25 points. With disqualification being 10 points

13. All Static competitions must be ready for judging at 11.00am. unless stated in competition rules.

14. NO EXHIBIT OR ENTRY MAY HAVE ANY DISTINGUISHING CLUB OR MEMBERS NAMES OR EMBLEMS SHOWING BEFORE OR DURING JUDGING UNLESS STATED IN THE RULES.

 NO CLUB SHIRTS TO BE WORN WHILST COMPETING!

15. The decision of the Judge is final.

16. All National Competitions (NC) will follow the rules & marking system (where possible) laid down by NFYFC and can be found on the competitions page of the National website www.nfyfc.org.uk

17. Competitions marked NC (National Competition), the winner of the County competition will be asked to represent Wiltshire at the Area or National Final.

Members are asked to note that anyone winning through to a National competition will incur any fines directly for none attendance at the final. Once National have been notified who the winning entries are from each County or Area, they deal directly with the winning team or competitor and NOT County, so it is your responsibility to give a minimum of two weeks notice if unable to attend. It would also be nice if you could notify County of you pulling out because the next place team may be keen to compete in a National final in your place and the longer the notice the better prepared they can be.

18. Confirmation of complaints procedure. Complaints must be taken to Rally Chairman, County Chairman and Chief Steward within 24hrs of discrepancies, unless on Rally Day then as soon as possible after the competition has been judged. Members are reminded NOT to aggressively confront judges, but a civil discussion with them is usually possible. Speak to competition steward first if you have a grievance. Judges usually try to give constructive criticism to assist members in learning where to improve for future events – they are NOT personal criticisms.

**MALMESBURY CUP ENTRY FORM**

Please text or email your predicted top six competitions, from forthcoming pre-rally and rally day competitions. The scores from your predicted competitions will be added up, and the Club with the highest placings for those six competitions will win the Malmesbury cup.

Forms must be completed and received in county office before any of the listed competitions take place. Last entry time for completed forms will be 10.30am on the day of your chosen competition.

MALMESBURY CUP ENTRY FORM

Club Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Chosen Competitions

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**RALLY DAY**

**Saturday 29th April 2023**

**at Aquetong Farm, Cresswell Lane, Lea, Malmesbury, Wiltshire SN16 9PE**

**bkpo the Taylor Family**

**JUNIOR**

**STATIC COMPETITIONS**

1. Cookery- (max 2/club) make & display a cream tea with a min 2 homemade items (clearly labelled and recipe cards) Display area 60x60 cms
2. Cookery- (max. 3 entries per Club) make & display 6 Chocolate Brownies from the following recipe. Max display area 30 x 30 cms

 **Ingredients**

* 4oz/100g dark chocolate
* 4oz/100g butter
* 1tsp vanilla extract
* 2 beaten eggs
* 4oz/100g plain flour
* 1/2 tsp baking powder
* 6oz/160g caster sugar
* 2 tbsp cocoa powder
* pinch of salt
* 1 or 2 tbsp of milk if the mixture is too firm.

**Method**

1. Preheat the oven to 180C/350F/Gas Mark 4.  Line a square baking dish with baking paper. The dish be between 20 - 25cm.

2. Melt the chocolate and butter together in a heatproof bowl in the microwave.

3. As the chocolate and butter is being zapped in the microwave, measure out the flour, baking powder and cocoa powder into another bowl.  Sift the flour if you want to, but it's not necessary.

4. Add the vanilla extract and sugar to the chocolate melted goodness and mix well.

5. Add the beaten eggs and keep mixing to combine it all.  Don't worry - they won't scramble.

6. Gradually add in the flour, baking powder and cocoa powder so that the whole mixture is well combined.

7. Bake in oven for 20 mins.  The secret is to take them out when the top is firm to touch but still wobbles when you shake it.

1. Cookery- (max 3/club) make & display 6 mini Pavlovas.

 include recipe card. Display area 30x30 cms

1. Cookery- (max 3 per Club) make and display 3 sausage Rolls

 display with recipe card. Display area 30 x 30cms

1. Photography - (max 3/club) 4 x max A5 photographs (taken by yourself!) depicting the Farming Year. To be mounted on a display board/ picture frame max size A2. And to include captions and/or Title. For possible use to make a County Calendar for 2024.
2. Craft – (max 3 per club) – make and display a Riding Hat Silk. To be displayed on a riding hat! Display area size of hat only.
3. Craft – (3/club) - make and display a wooden saddle rack (freestanding). For one saddle.
4. Craft – (3/club) (13 & under) decorate a plain leather brow band for a horse. Max display area 20cms x 30cms.
5. Craft – (3/club) Make and display a papermache Farm Animal Display area 30 x 30cms. can be painted. No accessories unless made in papermache. Can be on a piece of board.
6. Craft – (3/club) Make and display An animal made out of vegetables. To be displayed on a piece of board. Please provide a list of all vegetables used. Max display area 30cms x 40cms.
7. Craft – (3/club) Make and display a bird box to include 3 photos of you making it. Max display area 30 x 30cms
8. Carpet Farm 90cms x 60cms (1/club) – shop bought farm toys can be used. No scale limit.

**JUNIOR ACTIVITIES**

1. Junior Floral Art: max 3 entries per Club 16 & Under

**Exhibit** Title: “**Caught in the Net”** A Front Facing exhibit to the theme Caught in the net.

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Exhibit is to be viewed from the front. Competitors own backboard and base boards are allowed and must be provided by the competitor if required and must adhere to the size limitations. The reverse of these backboards MUST compliment the theme and be neat and tidy.

The exhibit will be displayed on a table with a white table covering.

**DISPLAY**

A work table will be provided close to the display area – approx half a trestle table to be allocated per competitor.

Each exhibit will be displayed to their best advantage with the space allocation.

All exhibits must be the unaided work of the competitors and must be assembled in the hall.

During the period of the competition, competitors must not communicate directly or indirectly with any person other than Judges or Stewards, under penalty of instant disqualification. No other person, other than the competitors, will be allowed in the competing area.

Competitors may use a battery operated glue gun or any other form of adhesive. There will no mains power supply available

Any exhibit exceeding the maximum measurements will be disqualified. The measurement will be from the outside edges of the back board or base board (i.e. the thickness of the backboard will be included in the size restrictions). Any accessories or drapes used on the outside of the back board or base board will be included in the overall measurement of the exhibit and should be within the size restrictions. The external side of the back board will be taken into account for the attractiveness of the exhibit marks and so should be covered to compliment the overall exhibit.

Exhibits must remain in position throughout the day of the competition. Any entry removed before the Presentation of Awards will be disqualified.

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**TIMING**

Allowance of **one hour** **to include final checks and measurement of the exhibit**. Before leaving the competing area, competitors will be given a further 5 minutes to clear and tidy the work site.

Competitors may unpack their equipment and plant material/flowers onto the work table before the one hour practical session commences.

If floral foam is to be used, this may be pre-soaked prior to the competition. New pieces of floral foam **MUST** be used on the day of the competition.

Competitors are able to construct and tape their foam (oasis) in position on a board/container/exhibit prior to the one hour practical session if required.

Competitors are able to set up their display bay before the one hour practical session commences.

**MARKS Idea 20**

**Colour 20**

**Composition 30**

**Technical 30**

**TOTAL MARKS 100**

**NOTES:**

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		2. Backgrounds, bases, containers, drapes, exhibit titles and mechanics may always be included in an exhibit, unless otherwise stated.
		3. More than one placement may always be included, unless otherwise stated.
		4. In all exhibits (except still life) natural plant material must predominate.
	2. NATURAL PLANT MATERIAL
		1. Natural plant material is any vegetable matter
		2. It includes fresh, dried, garden, wild, or made-up plant material.
		3. It is acceptable to enhance plant material by the application of oil, milk, wax or other similar products.
	3. An ACCESSORY
		1. Anything other than natural plant material in an exhibit, such as, feathers, shapes (spheres, cones) , shells, stones, wax candles
		2. Natural plant material which has been tooled or crafted to resemble non-plant forms, e.g. birds nest, corn dolly, wooden figurine.
		3. Accessories may be decorated in any way but greater credit should be given for the use of natural plant material where appropriate.
		4. The following are not accessories and may also be used unless prohibited by the show schedule: backgrounds, bases, containers holding plant material, drapes, exhibit titles and mechanics. These may be decorated in any way but greater credit should be given for use of natural plant material where appropriate.
	4. **REASONS FOR DISQUALIFICATION**
		1. Failure to comply with any specific requirements of a class as stated in a show schedule, i.e. the measurements or the components. (Just remember – it is better to aim to be 1xm or 1 inch smaller than the size allowed as the size sated is the MAXIMUM size).
		2. Inclusion of artificial plant material (unless specifically allowed by a show schedule)
		3. Inclusion of fresh plant material that does not have roots or the cut ends of stems in water or water-retaining material. Exceptions: Air Plants, Cacti, Fruits, Grass Turf, Lichen, Moss, Succulents, Vegetables and long lasting plant material which will remain turgid for the duration of a show. (Definition of turgid – the state of firmness of plant tissue resulting from adequate moisture, causing the plant cells to be fully expanded).

**NOT ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE DISQUALIFICATION:** the term used when an exhibit does not comply with the requirements of the schedule – see NAFAS reasons for disqualification above. The judge will write ‘Not according to schedule’ and the reason.

1. First Aid – book in one team of 2 members per club - theme to be confirmed
2. ID (3) – Horse Breeds – Photos of 20 will be given on the day to identify (20 mins)

 

1. Snr/Int/Jnr Cookery – see senior rules
2. Cook & Eat it (3) – English Breakfast – 2 members 1 male & 1 female (dressed up) to cook, display and then eat a breakfast. two gas rings only to be brought and used. Competitors to bring all of their cooking utensils and stoves and ingredients which may be ready chopped and weighed (if required) and displayed for the judges to inspect and ask questions on, before eating it. Ingredient/Recipe card also to be displayed for the judges. 5 mins for judges to inspect ingredients. 30 minutes to cook & eat it on approval of the judges.
3. Hair Plaiting (3) – 1 junior member to do a hair plait design on a fellow member 20 mins
4. Air Rifle Shooting – 2 teams of 2/club . One male and one female/team 10 shots each, 10 metre distance. Remember to book in on the day.
5. Handwriting (3) – members to copy a given script.

 Members to use the pens and paper supplied. No notes to be brought along. 20 minutes.

1. Dress a leader as a Jockey. 3 members to dress one leader or senior member. Teams to bring all materials required for task. No premade outfits – anything but clothing items to be used. 30mins (will take place in the main ring at the same time as the decorate a vehicle)
2. YFC’s got talent (1 entry per club) book in – min & max 6 members to perform an Act in front of the judges, max 5 minutes. All items require must be brought along by the members who should be dressed accordingly. No live animals or knives permitted
3. **Ewe dagging & wool wrapping for Sheep shearer (one per club)**

One member to dag a sheep using hand shears in preparation for electric shearing by senior member.and then wrap the wool up. Member to provide own hand shears

1. **Archery** – book in (1 entry of 2 members per club)
2. **Member to make a Floral crown –** on an Alice band. Member to bring all equipment and materials required.
3. **Tractor Reversing** – book in – max 2 members/Club 13yrs or over on Rally day
4. **RABI** – Book in (1 team/club) 1 male & 1 female per club to complete the following tasks 1. pyramid cup stack – timed

 2. 20 cup shuffle

 3. ping pong balls into cups

1. Cross Country run 13 & u
2. Cross country run 16 & u
3. Ring Events one team of 6 – Egg throwing; obstacle race?

Club Display – each club to set up a display to promote their club – all clubs to have a pitch next to the main ring where they can park one cattle box (or similar) and use it as their base for the day with their display in front of it for passing public to view.

Junior Tug of War

**A** **Junior GENSB** **team** shall consist of between 7 and 10 pulling members, male or female, who must be between the ages of 12 years & 17 years of age and under on 1st September 2022. **This means competitors MUST have attained their 12th birthday on 1st September 2012 and may be 18 on the day of the competition.**

**Coaches and Trainers** – Only one Coach is permitted with each team during pulling. Only one Trainer or “Water-Carrier” is permitted with each team. During pulling the Trainer shall take up position well clear of both teams and is not permitted to address any remark to them during actual pulling. Neither the Coach nor Trainer need comply with other rules of eligibility.

**WEIGHING-IN PROCEDURE AND WEIGHT LIMITS**

The members of the Junior GENSB team will be weighed as one with the initial weight limit of:

**Junior GENSB - 560kg**

**An additional 10kg will be added to the weight allowance for each female in the team up to a**

**maximum of 600kg**

The competitors will be stamped or marked on a limb in a position easily seen by the Judge, but not easily erased by the rope or competitors clothing.

**At weigh-in all team members must have their boots available for inspection by the judges.**

**RALLY DAY**

**SENIOR STATIC COMPETITIONS**

1. Cookery-( max 1 per Club) 1 team of 2 to make & display at Picnic Hamper suitable for a day at the races. To include at least 3 homemade items with recipe card

Display area 60 x 90 cms x any height

1. Cookery - (max 3/club) make & display 2 x 3 varieties of canapes

 Recipe card with allergen sheet to be displayed. Display area 30x30 cms

1. Cookery - (max 3/club) make & display 14 profiteroles

 to include recipe card. Display area 30x30 cms

1. Cookery- (max 3/club) make & display 3 Scotch Eggs. include recipe card. Display area 30x30 cms
2. Photography - (max 3/club) 4 x max A5 photographs (taken by yourself!) depicting the Farming Year (to include min 2 members in each photo). To be mounted on a display board/ picture frame max size A2. And to include captions and/or Title. For possible use to make a County Calendar for 2024.
3. Scrapbook - Club to make and display a scrapbook of their activities over the last 12 months (since Rally 2022)
4. Deckchair - Make and display a deckchair. Display 3 Photos during the making of it.
5. Make and display a novelty Toilet roll holder. Max display area 30 x 30cms.(max 3/club)
6. Make and display a Fascinator suitable to wear to Ladies Day. Max display area 60 cm x 60 cm x any height. (max 2/club)
7. Make and display a bin from a Blue barrel (200litre size) – to be used on Rally day after judging. (max 3/club)
8. Make and display a freestanding Horse Sculpture from recycled wellies (1/club)
9. Bath horse – attach 4 wheels to an upside down bathtub and decorate it as a horse. To be used for horse race in the ring later in the day with 3 members dressed as jockeys – 1 riding & 2 pushing
10. Make an outfit relating to the theme "Day at the Races"

The various items of the outfit will be required to be worn & modelled on the day of the finals. The garment can be made and modelled by the competitor or made for and modelled by a fellow member.

There is no price limit, however, the judges will be taking into consideration the value for money of the garment(s). On the day of the competition the competitor will have to show costings by producing receipts.

The competitor will also need to produce a paragraph explaining the outfit, fabric used and how it is has been made for the compere on the day.

For modelling purposes the competitor may include accessories.

The garment(s) will be displayed hung for the purposes of judging the workmanship/quality.

During the day the competitor (or other member) will be required to model the garment for the judges and then take part in a fashion show for the judges to mark the overall appearance.

All garment(s) must have been made within the 12 months prior to rally day.

**SCALE OF MARKS 150**

Workmanship/Quality 50

Sizing and fit on model 40

Modelling (means overall effect on the catwalk) 20

Value for money 20

Relevance to theme/description 20

1. Metalwork – National Competition Competitors will be required to produce an item of ‘Metalwork’ predominately metal and recycled items.

Size not to exceed 1 metre cubed; maximum weight limit of 15 kilograms; finished with exterior paint.

The competitor should pay particular attention to the standard of finish of their exhibit.

Materials used should be predominantly recycled to minimise cost and environmental impact.

Competitors must accept responsibility for transporting their exhibits to the final as per the instructions which will be issued and to make arrangements for collection of the exhibits after 5 pm. All exhibits must be removed on the day of the competition.

Prior to the competition, before commencement of any work on the item, members should be aware of potential health and safety risks and use all appropriate Personal Safety Equipment. The safety of people viewing and touching the finished item should also be considered, eg: avoid sharp edges.

All exhibits must be the unaided work of the competitors. Competitors must make themselves available throughout the judging to answer the Judgesquestions and explain the processes behind the production of the item.

A story board containing pictures should accompany the exhibit.

**SCALE OF MARKS**

Use of recycled materials 20

Quality of workmanship 20

Originality 20

Suitability for purpose 20

Overall sculpture and finish 20

TOTAL 100

1. Cube Exhibit - One entry per club

An Exhibit to depict the theme ‘ Grand National’ . Can be interpreted in any way you see fit.

The Club Team is required to exhibit 5 crafts. 1 craft from each of the headings below:

• Craft 1 - Floral Art (Any item using cut flowers and accessories in a suitable container)

• Craft 2 – Cookery/Baking (This craft will be tasted so must be covered with cling film).

• Craft 3 – Textile Handicraft (must include British Wool) (eg. Knitwear, Tailored, Crochet)

• Craft 4 – Natural Handicraft (eg wood, metal, clay, glass, stone or shell for example)

• Craft 5 – Art (eg. photography, a graphic or a picture in any medium)

The five (5) crafts need to be clearly marked 1-5 together with the heading for the craft. EG. 1- Floral Art, 2 – Cookery, 3- Sewn Handicraft, 4- Natural Handicraft, 5- Art Handicraft.

Each whole Exhibit to have a MAXIMUM WIDTH of 1 metre at any given point and a MAXIMUM DEPTH of 1 metre and MAXIMUM HEIGHT of 1 metre. Any exhibit exceeding the maximum measurements will be disqualified. The measurement will be from the outside edges of the external walls of the exhibit. (I.e. Make your exhibit slightly smaller than the maximum dimensions). Any accessories or drapes used on the outside of the external walls of the cube will be included in the overall measurement of the exhibit. The external walls will be taken into account for the attractiveness of the exhibit marks and so should be covered to compliment the exhibit. The exhibit must have 3 walls and will be displayed on trestle tables

SCALE OF MARKS (400)

Craft 1 (Floral Art) 50

Craft 2 (Cookery) 50

Craft 3 (Textile) 50

Craft 4 (Natural) 50

Craft 5 (Art) 50

Attractiveness of exhibit (including external walls) 50

Originality and ingenuity 50

Relevant to theme 5

**SENIORS ACTIVITIES**

1. Intermediate Floral Art (max 2/club)– winning entries to Malvern in September

**21 & Under**

**Exhibit** Title: **“Steam Punk”** A Front Facing Exhibit to theme steam Punk.

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		4. The following are not accessories and may also be used unless prohibited by the show schedule: backgrounds, bases, containers holding plant material, drapes, exhibit titles and mechanics. These may be decorated in any way but greater credit should be given for use of natural plant material where appropriate.
	4. **REASONS FOR DISQUALIFICATION**
		1. Failure to comply with any specific requirements of a class as stated in a show schedule, i.e. the measurements or the components. (Just remember – it is better to aim to be 1cm or 1 inch smaller than the maximum size allowed .
		2. Inclusion of artificial plant material (unless specifically allowed by a show schedule)
		3. Inclusion of fresh plant material that does not have roots or the cut ends of stems in water or water-retaining material. Exceptions: Air Plants, Cacti, Fruits, Grass Turf, Lichen, Moss, Succulents, Vegetables and long lasting plant material which will remain turgid for the duration of a show. (Definition of turgid – the state of firmness of plant tissue resulting from adequate moisture, causing the plant cells to be fully expanded).

**NOT ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE DISQUALIFICATION:** the term used when an exhibit does not comply with the requirements of the schedule – see NAFAS reasons for disqualification above. The judge will write ‘Not according to schedule’ and the reason.

1. **Senior Floral Art** (max 2/club) winning entry to Malvern in September

28 & Under Subject: **28 & Under**

**Exhibit** Title**: “Upcycled Item Destined for the Bin”** An exhibit using an item destined for the Bin

The maximum display area for each competitor **MUST NOT exceed 76cm wide x 60cm deep x optional height** (i.e. no limitations to height). Exhibits to be composed of natural plant material, with or without accessories. NO FLORAL FOAM (OASIS) TO BE USED

Exhibit is to be viewed from the front. Competitors own backboard and base boards are allowed and must be provided by the competitor if required and must adhere to the size limitations. The reverse of these backboards MUST compliment the theme and be neat and tidy.

The exhibit will be displayed on a table with a white table covering.

**DISPLAY**

A work table will be provided close to the display area – approx half a trestle table to be allocated per competitor.

Each exhibit will be displayed to their best advantage with the space allocation.

All exhibits must be the unaided work of the competitors and must be assembled in the hall.

During the period of the competition, competitors must not communicate directly or indirectly with any person other than Judges or Stewards, under penalty of instant disqualification. No other person, other than the competitors, will be allowed in the competing area.

Competitors may use a battery operated glue gun or any other form of adhesive. There will no mains power supply available

Any exhibit exceeding the maximum measurements will be disqualified. The measurement will be from the outside edges of the back board or base board (i.e. the thickness of the backboard will be included in the size restrictions). Any accessories or drapes used on the outside of the back board or base board will be included in the overall measurement of the exhibit and should be within the size restrictions. The external side of the back board will be taken into account for the attractiveness of the exhibit marks and so should be covered to compliment the overall exhibit.

Exhibits must remain in position throughout the day of the competition. Any entry removed before the Presentation of Awards will be disqualified.

 All exhibits and competitor’s property will be at the risk of the competitor and NFYFC cannot accept liability for any loss or damage sustained – therefore, competitors are advised to use items of little established value.

**TIMING**

Allowance of **one hour** **to include final checks and measurement of the exhibit**. Before leaving the competing area, competitors will be given a further 5 minutes to clear and tidy the work site.

Competitors may unpack their equipment and plant material/flowers onto the work table before the one hour practical session commences.

If floral foam is to be used, this may be pre-soaked prior to the competition. New pieces of floral foam **MUST** be used on the day of the competition.

Competitors are able to construct and tape their foam (oasis) in position on a board/container/exhibit prior to the one hour practical session if required.

Competitors are able to set up their display bay before the one hour practical session commences.

**MARKS Idea 20**

**Colour 20**

**Composition 30**

**Technical 30**

**TOTAL MARKS 100**

1. **NOTES:**
	1. A “Competitions Manual” is available from NAFAS Enterprises Ltd. [www.nafas.org.uk](http://www.nafas.org.uk)
	2. **Competitors must wear white coats during the period of the competition. Club, County and Sponsor logos are permitted on either the front or the back of the coats.**
	3. ALL EXHIBITS WILL BE JUDGED STRICTLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NAFAS COMPETITIONS MANUAL 2015. A “Competitions Manual” is available from [www.nafas.org.uk](http://www.nafas.org.uk) to visit the NAFAS on-line shop.
2. **NAFAS Definitions** (The National Association of Flower Arranging Societies of Great Britain) From the NAFAS Competitions Manual (Third Edition 2015).
	1. An EXHIBIT:
		1. Is composed of natural plant material, with or without accessories, contained within a space as specified in a show schedule.
		2. Backgrounds, bases, containers, drapes, exhibit titles and mechanics may always be included in an exhibit, unless otherwise stated.
		3. More than one placement may always be included, unless otherwise stated.
		4. In all exhibits (except still life) natural plant material must predominate.
	2. NATURAL PLANT MATERIAL
		1. Natural plant material is any vegetable matter
		2. It includes fresh, dried, garden, wild, or made-up plant material.
		3. It is acceptable to enhance plant material by the application of oil, milk, wax or other similar products.
	3. An ACCESSORY
		1. Anything other than natural plant material in an exhibit, such as, feathers, shapes (spheres, cones) , shells, stones, wax candles
		2. Natural plant material which has been tooled or crafted to resemble non-plant forms, e.g. birds nest, wooden figurine.
		3. Accessories may be decorated in any way but greater credit should be given for the use of natural plant material .
		4. The following are not accessories and may also be used unless prohibited by the show schedule: backgrounds, bases, containers holding plant material, drapes, exhibit titles and mechanics. These may be decorated in any way but greater credit should be given for use of natural plant material where appropriate.
	4. **REASONS FOR DISQUALIFICATION**
		1. Failure to comply with any specific requirements of a class as stated in a show schedule, i.e. the measurements or the components. (Just remember – it is better to aim to be 1xm or 1 inch smaller than the size allowed as the size sated is the MAXIMUM size).
		2. Inclusion of artificial plant material (unless specifically allowed by a show schedule)
		3. Inclusion of fresh plant material that does not have roots or the cut ends of stems in water or water-retaining material. Exceptions: Air Plants, Cacti, Fruits, Grass Turf, Lichen, Moss, Succulents, Vegetables and long lasting plant material which will remain turgid for the duration of a show. (Definition of turgid – the state of firmness of plant tissue resulting from adequate moisture, causing the plant cells to be fully expanded).

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1. Snr/Int/Jnr Cookery National competition - final in Malvern in September

Teams to consist of three members, one must be 28 years of age or under, one must be 21 years of age or under and one must be 16 years of age or under, on 1 September 2019,

**PROCEDURE**

**Each team will be required to prepare and display an Executive Meal for a day at the races, with local produce.**

Teams must promote local produce within their displays.

The menu must include at least one sweet course and one savoury course. Each Course will be required to serve two people. A drink does not count as a course and will not be scored.

Teams must ensure each course involves a cooked element, prepared from raw ingredients, demonstrating cookery skills. (the combination of smoked salmon and cream cheese is not included).

**Teams will be required to:**

Work on two trestle tables. This includes an area to prepare and an area to cook with two (2) butane gas stoves (gas stoves provided by teams).

Cook and display their exhibit within the one-hour time limit.

Have recipe details available throughout the practical session for judge’s inspection.

During the competition, competitors must not communicate directly or indirectly with any person other than Judges or Stewards. **No other person, other than team allowed in competing area.**

Teams will not have access to an electricity. Teams may not use liquid nitrogen.

**EQUIPMENT**

Competing teams are required to provide:

All ingredients (these may be brought to the competition already weighed out and vegetables ready washed – **all other work must be executed on site in the practical session**).

Two (2) butane gas stoves (currently available from approx. £15.00 from camping and outdoor retailers/Argos/Amazon). The stoves must be like the images below and be fuelled by butane cartridges:



**DISPLAYS**

competitors will be allowed a maximum display space of 90cm (width) X 60cm (depth) X height optional (i.e. no height limit) which to display the courses to their best advantage. Please note these are the EXTERNAL dimensions. If teams use back and/or side boards the whole of the board must be within the dimensions given. Any accessories or drapes used on the outside walls will be included in the overall size limit of the exhibit. **Displays which exceed the above dimensions will be disqualified.**

Teams must: Display a menu card and Display details of recipes.

There are no limitations on the contents of the display. Menu cards, recipes and display accessories (non food items) etc may be brought to the competition ready prepared.

All displays and competitor’s property will be at the risk of the competitor and NFYFC cannot accept liability for any loss or damage sustained – therefore, competitors are advised to use items of little established value.

**SCALE OF MARKS**

Practical cookery skills, including teamwork 50

Taste 50

Finished courses, suitability, choice of menu and variety 20

Overall display and interpretation of theme 20

Suitable clothing (white coats, headwear, shoes etc) 10

**TOTAL** **150**

**TIMING**

One hour to **include** preparation and tidying of the site. Competitors will be penalised at the rate of one mark per minute or part thereof over allotted time.

Display bays may be set up **before** the one-hour preparation and cooking time and teams may unpack their equipment and ingredients onto the worktable before the one-hour practical session. At the end of the one hour preparation and cooking time, teams should have tidied the site leaving a clear (wiped) work table with only the gas stoves on it – i.e. they should have packed away their equipment and wiped down the worktable. The gas stoves should be left on the worktable to cool before being packed away.

1. Fence Erecting

A team shall consist of three (3) members 28 years of age or under on 1st September 2022, and full members of a Club affiliated to the NFYFC.

**HEALTH & SAFETY – ESSENTIAL READING/ACTION FOR ALL COMPETITORS**

It is essential that all competitors read the Health and Safety Executive’s guidance paper concerning fencing and note is taken of the safe working practices and protective clothing equipment that is recommended. The Health and Safety Executive guidance paper ‘Fencing’ (AFAG104) can be downloaded from the NFYFC website.

**PROCEDURE**

* 1. As agreed at the Competitions Meeting on Monday, 25th July 2022 it was agreed that for each round of the competition the two end strainer posts would be put into the ground prior to the competition by the organisers.
	2. the team will be required to erect a 22m stock proof boundary fence using the materials provided (as illustrated in the diagram).
		1. Total height to top of fence 1.15m (45”).
		2. The intermediate posts shall be at equal spacing.
	3. From the start point; the fence shall be in a straight line for 12m before turning approximately 30º to the right and continuing for a further 10m.
	4. It shall be constructed of post and netting with 2 strands of high tensile steel wire above the netting.
		1. One strand of high tensile wire (ground wire) to be placed 50mm (2”) off the floor.
		2. The netting shall be set 50mm (2”) above the ground wire.
		3. There shall be 2 strands of high tensile plain wire above the netting, set at 50mm (2”) & 125mm (5”) above the top of the netting – ie, 50mm (2”) between the netting and lower wire, then 75mm (3”) between the 2 wires.
		4. Netting shall be secured to the end strainers using a recognised knot.
	5. At one end of the fence there will be a box strainer assembly using a horizontal strut and diagonal brace wire.
		1. The box strainer shall be made with 2 x 2.4m (8’) strainers and a 2.4m (8’) horizontal brace, with 2.5 HT plain wire.
		2. The horizontal brace shall be morticed into the strainers on both ends.
	6. At the other end, the fence will be secured with a strainer assembly.
		1. The assembly shall be made using an 2.4m (8’) strainer and 2.4m (8’) angled strut, with the strut secured using a horizontal thrust block.
		2. The thrust block shall be dug 200mm (8”) below ground level and be left open for judges inspection.
		3. 2 horizontal blocks on the bottom of the strainer.
		4. The strut is to be morticed into the strainer at 450mm (18”) to the top of the strut – ie, between the 4th and 5th wire on the net.
	7. Where the fence turns 30º; the turning post shall be a straining post without struts.
	8. A hand tied joint will be required in the netting and a hand tied joint in the top line wire; towards the centre of the fence (no joining aids will be permitted).
	9. A join in the netting must be made by hand where indicated on the diagram.
	10. The team are required to prepare a written risk assessment/method statement, which is to be handed to the Chief Steward on the day of the competition - prior to the competition start. *Failure to provide a written risk assessment/method statement or failure to comply with it; or working unsafely, will result in immediate disqualification.* **Please see NFYFC Fence Erecting Risk Assessment Template**

***Diagram is not to scale and is for illustrative purposes only All spacings to be determined by the competitors***



* 1. Only materials supplied by the organisers are to be used for Area and National Finals (see list of materials below).
	2. Only hand tools will be allowed and the teams themselves must provide these. No power tools or chainsaws are allowed.
		1. All tools and equipment used must be fit for purpose and be in good condition, well maintained and safely operated by members of the team at all times. Judges/stewards have the right to stop the use of tool/piece of equipment if, in their view, it is not safe to use or is being handled/used in an unsafe manner.
	3. Competitors are not allowed to shorten any of the vertical posts.
	4. The Judge reserves the right to inspect any strut following completion of the task.
	5. All teams are required to dismantle their fence after the Presentation of Awards (The thrust plate and any blocks/cross members must be out of the ground). – Teams are required to clear away all debris and any off-cuts of wire etc must **not** be put down the postholes. Receptacles will be provided for this purpose. Soil will be available to make the ground good. **Any team not complying with this ruling will be disqualified and receive a £75 fine**.
	6. **The Judge’s decision is final.**

**EQUIPMENT TO BE PROVIDED**

4 x Strainers: 2.4m, 150mm – 150mm diameter round posts (8ft, 6” – 7”)

1 x Angled Strut: From 2.4m x 100-125mm diameter round post (8ft, 4 – 5”)

1 x Horizontal Strut: From 2.4m x 100-125mm diameter round post (8ft, 4 – 5”)

2 x Intermediate posts 1.65m x 75mm - 100mm diameter round posts (5ft 6”, 3”– 4”)

Thrust Plate and Cross Members From 1.8m x 150mm x 75mm (6ft x 6”x 3” square)

25m x High Tensile stock netting HT8/80/15 Usually 8/80/22, but 15 will be used due to lack of 22 supply this year, even though 22 is recommended for this type of fence in British Standard 1722-2:2020.

75m x High Tensile plain wire 2.5mm gauge

150mm (6”) Nails are to be used

Staples

**TIMING**

* 1. 2hours 30 minuteswill be allowed for the NFYFC final.
	2. **Time penalties** – teams will be encouraged to complete the task but will lose one (1) point for every minute or part thereof over the allocated time. At the NFYFC final teams will be asked to stop 30 minutes after the allocated time. i.e. at 3 hours.
	3. **To note: that the tidying of tools and equipment away will be included in the time to complete task**.

**SCALE OF MARKS**

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| Box strainer assembly | 50 |
| High tensile fencing-strainer assembly | 50 |
| Turning post | 20 |
| Intermediate post line and height  | 20 |
| Fixing and tensioning of netting | 40 |
| Fixing and tensioning of plain wire | 30 |
| Join in netting | 30 |
| Overall neatness of finished job (Including surrounding area) | 40 |
| Written risk assessment | 20 |
| **TOTAL** | **300** |

1. ID Race courses – you will be given a list of 20 racecourses. You will have to name which County they are in (there will be a list of Counties too) (20 mins)
2. RABI – Book in (1 team/club) 1 male & 1 female per club to complete the following tasks

1. pyramid cup stack – timed

 2. 20 cup shuffle

 3. ping pong balls into cups

1. Cocktail making (2)– 1 male 1 female, in fancy dress, 30 mins to concoct, name and make 2 cocktails with recipe card for the judges to see. Competitors to provide ALL ingredients and equipment required to complete this task and display them for the judges.
2. Hands free Make up – 2 members – one to put lipstick, blusher, eyebrow pencil and eyeshadow on the other. The member putting the make up on has to be sat behind the member the make up is being put onto. Member being made up cannot assist apart from moving their head and speaking.

Make up, applicators and mirror if required to be brought along by the competitors. (max 3/club)

1. Senior Mini digger Challenge – hook a duck! (1/club BOOK in)
2. Archery (1 male & 1 female/club BOOK in) 3 arrows each. Both scores added together for club score.
3. Bath Tub race (1 entry per club)– 3 members in fancy dress (1 to ride, 2 to push)
4. YFC’s got Talent (1 entry per club) book in – min 2 & max 6 members (aged 17 & over) to perform their act in front of the judges, max 5 minutes. All items require must be brought along by the members who should be dressed accordingly. No live animals, flames or knives permitted
5. Fake or Fortune – 2 entries per club (over 18) to taste and work out which of the samples are real or cheap alternatives.
6. Landrover and Cattle box reversing challenge (1m & 1female/club – book in)
7. Sheep Shearing . National Competition 1 entry per club

one member 26 or under . The minimum qualification for competitors is a British Wool “Blue Seal”. Copies of qualifications to be inspected on the day of the competition prior to shearing.

**PROCEDURE**

Refer to the latest British Isles Shearing Competition Association (BISCA) rules which are available from NFYFC.

Competitors must wear suitable clothing and footwear. Junior member to wrap the wool.

1. Auctioneering – 2 members/team. Team to purchase 2 items from a charity shop up to the value of £10 in total (receipts brought along as proof) and then auction them off 1 item each whilst the other acts as the demonstrator. All profits made to go to County funds. (maybe draw lots for which items you will be selling??) The first member to make an introduction and then open the auction sale, outlining the procedure and relevant conditions of the sale e.g. the payment process, order of the auction, buyer’s commission rate.
2. Cross Country Run (max 3/club)
3. Senior Ring events – obstacle course, bale rolling; welly wanging, 1 team/club
4. Club Display – each club to set up a display to promote their club – all clubs to have a pitch next to the main ring where they can park one cattle box (or similar) and use it as their base for the day with their display in front of it for passing public to view.

Tug of War final see nfyfc website for full rules

The 8 members of the Ladies or Men’s teams will be weighed as one and will not exceed:

**Men - 680 kg Ladies - 560 kg**