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### Herefordshire Rural Hub website.

**Check it out at:- [www.herefordshireruralhub.co.uk](http://www.herefordshireruralhub.co.uk)**

*If you have your own website please add a link to our website, and also share it via social media. Thank you.*

You can also follow us on [twitter@Hfds\\_RuralHub](https://twitter.com/Hfds_RuralHub) and on **Facebook** - search *Herefordshire Rural Hub*

Copy deadline for the next newsletter is:-  
**15<sup>th</sup> September 2017**



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### Update on our "2020 Vision for Herefordshire's Family Farms" project

We now have several family farms on board this exciting new scheme, leaving space for a few more, could it be you?

This is a 3-year program which aims to help farming families achieve long term viability in these challenging times.

A bespoke plan will be put together for each farm, to include free mentoring and business support.

If you are interested in being one of the chosen farms, or would just like further information, please contact the Project Facilitator, Sarah Starkey, on 07974 438517 or email [farming2020@herefordshireruralhub.co.uk](mailto:farming2020@herefordshireruralhub.co.uk)

Date for your diary

### Herefordshire Rural Business Advice Day

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2017, 12noon till 7pm**

**At the Three Counties Hotel, Belmont Road, Hereford**

<http://www.herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/whats-on/herefordshire-rural-business-advice-day-2017/>

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### Are you unsure about details of rules or regulations? Need help with understanding record keeping?

FREE advice is available from the Green Futures team:- **Environment Agency, Farming Advice Service, Natural England, CLA, NFU**  
Getting advice and assistance from those that know the details of the rules will help ensure your business stays compliant. You may be cautious about asking for help from a regulatory body such as the Environment Agency, but they are always willing to advise and help you. Herefordshire Rural Hub can help signpost which organisation can help you. Don't hold back from asking for help. It's free and could save your Basic Payment.

- **Farming Advice Service** Email: [advice@farmingadvice.org.uk](mailto:advice@farmingadvice.org.uk) website: [www.farmingadvice.org.uk](http://www.farmingadvice.org.uk)  
The Rural Services Helpline **03000 200 301** provides a single number for all **Farming Advice Service, Rural Payments Agency** or **Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA)** enquiries. It is open from Monday to Friday, 8.30am till 5pm.
- **Natural England** 0300 060 1115 [enquiries@naturalengland.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@naturalengland.org.uk)
- **Environment Agency** Sharon Chisholm (Tues, Weds, Thurs) Tel: 02030 251692  
Email: [sharon.chisholm@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:sharon.chisholm@environment-agency.gov.uk)
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- **Animal Health & Trading Standards** (Herefordshire) Tim Barber Tel: 01432 383145 Fax: 01432 383169

### Could you or someone you know benefit from support:-

- **Farming Community Network** 03000 111 999 website: <http://www.fcn.org.uk/>
- **Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution (RABI)** 0808 2819490 website: <http://www.rabi.org.uk/>
- **Borderlands Rural Chaplaincy** 07958 591 646 website: [www.borderchaplain.org](http://www.borderchaplain.org)
- **You Are Not Alone (YANA)** 0300 323 0400 website: [www.yanahelp.org/](http://www.yanahelp.org/)
- **Farming Help** 0845 367 9990 website: [www.farminghelp.org.uk/](http://www.farminghelp.org.uk/)
- **Addington Fund** 01926 620 135 website: [www.addingtonfund.org.uk/](http://www.addingtonfund.org.uk/)
- **Herefordshire Samaritans** website: [www.samaritans.org/branches/herefordshire-samaritans](http://www.samaritans.org/branches/herefordshire-samaritans)

### The address for farmers to return their Sheep & Goat Movement Licences to ARAMS has changed

**From:** Animal Reporting & Movement Service, Southwestern, Po Box 6299, Milton Keynes MK10 1 ZQ

**To:** Animal Reporting & Movement Service, Capita Customer Solutions. Po Box 1470, Northampton NN1 9GB

There is currently a re-direction service for licences posted to Milton Keynes.

Farmers can register on the ARAMS system at [www.arams.co.uk](http://www.arams.co.uk). This way they can view their online flock record to ensure all relevant movements are showing on the system. This should ensure that in the event of an inspection, all movements on the system will be up to date, present and correct.

### Slurry and silage pollution incident reduction - communications for dairy farmers

Loss of slurry and silage effluent from dairy farms is the most common cause of significant farm pollution incidents in this area. Fish kills, damage to other river life and impacts on water supplies can often result. In an effort to reduce the number of serious pollution incidents of this nature, the Environment Agency is offering the following advice to dairy farmers.

<http://www.herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/slurry-silage-pollution-incident-reduction-communications-dairy-farmers/>

### Red Tractor changes from October 2017

At the end of 2016 Red Tractor reviewed their farm standards and went out to consultation. Following feedback, the new standards have been agreed & members will be assessed against these standards as of 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017.

For details go to the website: <http://assurance.redtractor.org.uk/>

### Key dates for Cross Compliance in September

**1<sup>st</sup> Sept** - You can cut or trim hedges and trees from this date. (GAEC 7a and 7c)

**1<sup>st</sup> Sept** - Start of closed period for applying organic manure with a high readily available nitrogen content (for example, slurry, poultry manures or liquid digested sewage sludge) to grassland on shallow or sandy soils. (SMR 1)

**1<sup>st</sup> Sept** - Start of closed period for applying manufactured nitrogen fertilisers to tillage land. (SMR 1)

**15<sup>th</sup> Sept** - Start of closed period for applying manufactured nitrogen fertilisers to grassland. (SMR 1)

**16<sup>th</sup> Sept** - Start of closed period for applying organic manure with a high readily available nitrogen content (for example, slurry, poultry manures or liquid digested sewage sludge) to tillage land on shallow or sandy soils which have been sown with crops on or before 15 September. (SMR 1)

### For some top tips on management of hedgerows visit [www.hedgeline.org.uk](http://www.hedgeline.org.uk)

**Hedgeline** is the partnership that brings everyone interested in hedgerows together, to share knowledge and ideas, to encourage and inspire, and to work with farmers and other land managers to conserve and enhance our hedgerow heritage.

## Have you got your Sprayer Tested?

All non-exempt pesticide application equipment in use, including slug pellet and granular applicators should have been tested by November 2016.

For details go to: <http://www.herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/sprayertestinga5web.pdf>

The UK's only recognised testing scheme is the National Sprayer Testing Scheme [www.nsts.org.uk](http://www.nsts.org.uk)

The Voluntary Initiative promotes responsible pesticide use [www.voluntaryinitiative.org.uk](http://www.voluntaryinitiative.org.uk)

## Herefordshire Ploughing Matches

Sunday, 27th August, 2017 **Leominster & District Agricultural Improvement Society**

Wooferton Court, Wooferton SY8 4AL. Side of A49 main road. For further details contact Anne Williams on 01568 615365.

Saturday, 9th September, 2017 **Llanwarne & District Agricultural Society**

Hollington Farm, Holme Lacy, Hereford, Herefordshire, HR2 6LX. For further details contact Nigel Morris on 01989 768320. Includes a National Vintage Area Final.

Saturday, 16th September, 2017 **Weobley & District Agricultural Improvement Society**

For further details contact Julia Whittall on 01981 500250.

Saturday, 23rd September, 2017 **Stoke Bliss & District Agricultural Improvement Society**

For further details contact Ann Basford on 01885 410380

Sunday, 24th September, 2017 **Eskleyside Agricultural Society**

For further details contact: Wyndham Powell on 01873 860665.

Sunday, 1st October, 2017 **Ledbury Ploughing Society**

Marley Hall, Staplow, Ledbury, Herefordshire HR8 1NR. For further details contact Alistair Young on 01531 634301.

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October **HFYFC Ploughing Match** For further details contact: [countyadmin@hfyfc.org.uk](mailto:countyadmin@hfyfc.org.uk)

Thursday, 5th October, 2017 **Trumpet & District Agricultural Society**

For further details contact June Green on 01531 670608

Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2017 **Wormside Agricultural Improvement Society**

at **The Vallets Farm, Wormbridge, Hereford HR2 9BA** *(By kind permission of Mr & Mrs R Lucken and Mr & Mrs E Clive)*

**Ploughing & Agricultural Competitions, Handicraft, Domestic & Horticultural Show**

Schedules available from: Mrs Sheila Williams 01981 251432 and Miss Karen Pugh 01981 570396

## HFYFC Events

2nd September – NFYFC Farm Skills Weekend & Young Stockman and Stockjudge of the Year

3rd September – NFYFC Farm Skills Weekend

3rd September – Eardisley YFC Tractor Run

9th September – Kington Show and Dance

16th September – Chairman's Events – Keep your eyes peeled for more information!

23rd September – NFYFC Cookery Finals @ Malvern Autumn Show

24th September – NFYFC Floral Art Finals @ Malvern Autumn Show

1st October – Ploughing Match

**County Office Opening Hours & Contact details:** Monday – 1:30pm – 9:30pm Wednesday and Thursday – 10am – 6pm

Tel: **01432 274187** Email: [countyadmin@hfyfc.org.uk](mailto:countyadmin@hfyfc.org.uk) Website: [www.hfyfc.org.uk](http://www.hfyfc.org.uk)

## Kington Show – A great day out for all the family

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September, 9am – 6pm, at Ovals Farm, Kington, Hereford, HR5 3LN**

**Come along and see**

Horses, sheep, cattle, dog show, shearing, trotting races, kangaroo kid, horticultural tent, young farmers, trade stands, laser clay shooting, and much more.

**Adults £12.50, 10-17yrs £5.00, Under 10s free**      **Dogs on leads welcome**

**Free return bus from Mill St. Kington to the showground throughout the day**

**For more information: [www.kingtonshow.co.uk](http://www.kingtonshow.co.uk) Tel 01544 340598**

## **UK Dairy Day**

**Wednesday 13 September 2017, 8am - 5.30pm**

at The International Centre, Telford, Shropshire, TF3 4JH

UK Dairy Day is a dedicated annual event for the dairy industry. This year's theme is 'sharing knowledge'. It features over 300 trade stands. A 'sharing knowledge' zone will feature seminars throughout the day covering relevant topics related to the cow, team and farm. There are demonstrations on foot trimming, knife sharpening, dairy cow anatomy and other cow related subjects. The event also features a cattle show for dairy breeds, and this year will host The National Ayrshire Show and The National Holstein Show. Free entry. For full details visit the website:- [www.ukdairyday.co.uk](http://www.ukdairyday.co.uk)

## **Shropshire Wildlife Trust - River Maintenance Demonstration**

**14<sup>th</sup> September, 10.30am – 1pm**

**At Wem Flood bank, Ditches Farm, Ellesmere Road, Wem**

Environment Agency Staff are holding a farm demonstration to explain the practicalities of how to maintain a river channel for conveyance whilst protecting the environment.

To register your interest, please contact **Pete Lambert** Email: [petel@shropshirewildlifetrust.org.uk](mailto:petel@shropshirewildlifetrust.org.uk) Tel: **07506 120022**  
<https://www.shropshirewildlifetrust.org.uk/events/2017/08/07/river-maintenance-demonstration>

## **Development opportunities on agricultural land, without the need for a planning application!**

**Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> September. Arrive from 5pm for a 5:15pm start. Finish at 7pm**

**At Thorne Widgery, 2 Wyevale Business Park, Wyevale Way, Kings Acre, Hereford, HR4 7BS**

Join Frank Smith & Co Solicitors, Thorne Widgery, DK Planning & Development, and Folk2Folk for a Q&A session to discuss the various aspects involved in converting agricultural buildings to residential, including planning, legal, tax and finance. Refreshments and a light finger buffet to follow.

Full details on the hub website at:-

<http://www.herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/whats-on/development-opportunities-on-agricultural-land/>

## **BIAC (The British Institute of Agricultural Consultants) Rural Planning Conference 2017**

**'Rural planning is transforming the countryside - fake news or reality?'**

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2017, at The Williams Conference Centre, Wantage OX12 0DQ

Please visit [www.biac.co.uk/events](http://www.biac.co.uk/events) for full details and to book your place.

## **Herefordshire "Get Online Week" - 2<sup>nd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> October**

Details at <https://www.getonlineweek.com/get-online-week>

## **Herefordshire CPRE Autumn Conference "BREXIT – opportunities and risks for the countryside"**

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2017 11.00 to 16.45 Registration opens at 10.30 am**

The Kindle Centre, ASDA Supermarket, Belmont Road, Hereford HR2 7JE

The Conference follows the Herefordshire CPRE Annual General Meeting 9.30 -10.45am

Full details on the hub website at:-

<http://www.herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/whats-on/herefordshire-cpre-autumn-conference/>

## **The Wye & Usk Foundation - How can we help?**

- **Free farm visits** across Herefordshire to advise on water & soil health, metaldehyde use, yard infrastructure or any other issues you would like to discuss confidentially.
- **Three free soil tests**, including organic matter levels.
- **Free erosion risk maps** of your farm.
- **Stewardship applications** can be made by our experienced advisers for Mid-Tier & Capital Grants. We are getting booked up fast though so make enquiries early!
- Grants towards cost of **Under-sowing Maize**

**For more information or to request a visit please contact one of the WUF advisers: Kate Adams (07766 330 959) Lucinda Lewis (07824 904 877); Mike Williams (07920 441 215); Tom Jolley (07545 253 155); Liz Price (07776 197 740)**

## Hereford & Worcester Chamber of Commerce

**Ross on Wye Networking Brunch** Tuesday 12 September 9.30 -11.30am Penyard House, Weston-under-Penyard, HR9 7YH

**Speaker:** Gina Bradbury, Vermilion Consulting

**Topic:** The art and science of organisational change. What I've learned about creating meaningful change.

**£17.50+VAT Members and £35.00+VAT Non-members**

**Hereford Networking Breakfast** Wednesday 20 September 7.30 - 9.30am Burghill Valley Golf, Tillington Road, Burghill, HR4 7RW

**Speaker:** Julia Meaden, Business Coach at Arrivista **Topic:** 'Marketing Mastery'

**£17.50+VAT Members and £35.00+VAT Non-members**

**Hereford HR Forum in association with Hewett Recruitment** Tuesday 26 September 9.30-11.30am

Hereford Business Solutions Centre - Building B, Units 1-4, Skylon Court, Rotherwas, Hereford, HR2 6JS

**FREE event for Chamber Members and clients of Hewett Recruitment**

**Contact:** Yasmin Bent Tel: 01905 673 600 Email: [yasminb@hwchamber.co.uk](mailto:yasminb@hwchamber.co.uk)

## What the British Red Cross Service can do to help you!

**The "Support at Home" service** - Our service helps hundreds of people every year following a stay in hospital. We can also help prevent unnecessary hospital admissions by providing extra support and care at home. Following an illness or injury, we smooth the process of settling back into a normal routine and enable people to regain their confidence and independence. Our volunteers provide companionship and help out with everyday tasks such as shopping, collecting prescriptions, and access to community services such as gardening, social groups, clubs, hairdressers and chiropody. Please note – this service does NOT include personal care tasks. Our short term service of up to six weeks is free, and could be the support needed to retain independence.

**Mobility Aids** - We lend wheelchairs and other independent living aids to people with a disability or illness.

**Contact Us** - British Red Cross, The Kindle Centre, Room M, ASDA Stores, Belmont Court, Hereford, HR2 7JE

Email: [SupportHereford@redcross.org.uk](mailto:SupportHereford@redcross.org.uk) Tel: 01432 373020

## The Friends of Hereford Three Choirs Festival are holding "A Gardener's Question Time" at The Shire Hall, Hereford, on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September.

Questions begin at 7.30pm, doors open at 6pm, allowing the audience to have a glass of wine & browse the horticultural stalls.

Elizabeth Banks CBE, former president of the Royal Horticultural Society, will chair the panel of four, which includes the head gardener at Hergest Croft, Stephen Lloyd, Tamsin Westhorpe from Stocktonbury Gardens, the Hereford Cathedral gardener, Dr Anthony Evans.

Tickets are £10 in advance or £11 on the door. Contact Lee Seal on [leeseal@doctors.org.uk](mailto:leeseal@doctors.org.uk) or 01432 830407

## Family Fun Day - Hedgehog Festival in Ross-on-Wye Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September from 11am, next to the Hope & Anchor Pub Birds of Prey, Plants, Crafts, Stories, Homes, Be a Hedgehog Hero

## St Michael's Hospice

### The Big Autumn Walk, Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October

All walks starting and finishing at Fownhope Recreation Ground, HR1 4PJ

Whether you enjoy a challenging woodland walk or prefer a gentle stroll along the peaceful River Wye, there is a Big Autumn Walk for you, your family and even your dog. Choose between 2K, 5K, 11K and 16K routes. The walks will all be fully signposted, and our team of marshals will be positioned along the path ready to help you on your way.

The Big Autumn walk is free to pre-register online (see website below). You then pay £5 on the day.

**Walks starting from 9am (16K), visit the website for starting times of other routes:-**

<http://www.st-michaels-hospice.org.uk/event/big-autumn-walk/>

## News from the Blues – West Mercia Police

**'Bytes & Pieces' from the world of Rural & Business matters, a 30 second insight into the latest scams, solutions and stuff!**

- **Stuck for something to do on Sunday 10th September??** - West Mercia Police is celebrating its 50th year and in Herefordshire that will be at Leominster Police station between 11am - 4pm and is a FREE event – it's a great day out, and there is lots going on. For full details go to:- <https://www.westmercia.police.uk/article/36605/Police-Open-Day>
- **Got a LinkedIn account??** - Beware of an email scam (VERY REALISTIC) - You may be asked to update your account details by clicking on a link...**DONT !**
- **BOSBURY** - White van, some signwriting on the side (NO OTHER DETAIL) last few days touting for tarmac jobs around 9 a.m. (can you add more detail?)
- **Own a 4x4?** - 3 separate incidents of them being set alight recently in Bridgnorth....nothing to suggest a connection to Herefordshire, but be aware.



## Woodland Creation Grant confirmed for 2018

Forestry Minister Thérèse Coffey confirmed that a £13 million fund to help landowners plant more trees to protect wildlife, boost the timber sector and reduce flood risk will soon open for applications. Farmers, foresters and land managers across the UK will be able to apply for up to £6,800 per hectare to plant, weed and protect trees when application forms for the next round of the Countryside Stewardship Woodland Creation Grant are made available in September.

## The Prince's Countryside Fund

The Herefordshire Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs (HFYFC) working in partnership with Herefordshire Rural Hub have secured funding to provide support for training in a **rurally based career** to the end of December 2019. The funding is easy to access. All you need to do is select which course you would like to go on and complete the application form. If your application is approved you will be able to reclaim **70%** of your training and test costs, up to a maximum of **£250**. **Applicants must be a current member of HFYFC or a past HFYFC member (up to 40 yrs old).**

The fund will support training that will; **improve your employability, increase or improve your skill set, improve your safety or allow you to undertake extra responsibility in your current job.**



For further details and an application form please contact:

**Herefordshire Rural Hub CIC,**

Agriculture House, Beech Business Park, Tillington Road, Hereford, HR4 9QJ

Email: [admin@herefordshireruralhub.co.uk](mailto:admin@herefordshireruralhub.co.uk) Tel: **01432 268 428**

## The Jack Hughes Fund - administered by Herefordshire Community Foundation

The Jack Hughes Fund will fund up to a maximum of 70% of the cost of training or costs up to a maximum of £150.

Funding will be limited to one family member/employee per annum

**The new 2017 programme will be available for farmers aged over 40** and will specifically provide funds to support those who require:

- retraining or upskilling as they are leaving the industry
- training to support a new farm diversification enterprise
- training or business support for succession planning

**Funding will also be available for the following courses:**

- Safe use of pesticides – PA1, PA2, PA6
- Rodent control on farms
- Emergency first aid
- Food safety (Basic Food Hygiene)
- Chainsaw Maintenance & Cross Cutting (CS30)

**The funding is easy to access, but please note that the project will not support training retrospectively and places will be limited. Applicants need to be resident in Herefordshire.**

For further details or an application form contact:- **Herefordshire Community Foundation**

The Fred Bulmer Centre, Wall Street, Hereford, HR4 9HP. Email: [administrator@herefordshirecf.org](mailto:administrator@herefordshirecf.org) Phone: 01432 272550

Details are on the hub website at under Grants & Funding at <http://www.herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/useful-links-information/>

## The RDPE Growth Programme administered by DEFRA has launched calls for applications for:-

### Capital Grants to support tourism projects and food & drink processing activities in the Marches LEP area

Two major strands include funding for food and drink businesses that process agricultural and horticultural products, and a rural tourism grant for small businesses and farmers who want to diversify. Grants will usually be in excess of £35,000

- £1m is available to develop visitor attractions, tourist information, and recreational and small scale infrastructure projects including holiday accommodation.
- £2.5m has been allocated to grow and enhance the food and drink sector by supporting micro, small and medium-sized food producers and processors looking to expand and create jobs.

*Grants funded by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD), part of the European Structural Investment Funds (ESIF).*

**Further information about making an application, forms and guidance, can be found online at:**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/rdpe-growth-programme>

**The Marches Growth Hub** Tel: **0345 6000 727** Email: [enquiries@marchesgrowthhub.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@marchesgrowthhub.co.uk)

can provide advice & support to businesses wishing to apply for this and other funding.

Visit their website at:- [www.marchesgrowthhub.co.uk](http://www.marchesgrowthhub.co.uk)

## Marches Building Investment Grant Scheme

For details go to the "Grants & Funding" section in "Useful Links" on the Herefordshire Rural Hub website at <http://www.herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/useful-links-information/>

Or visit the website: <https://www.gov.uk/european-growth-funding>

For updates on other funding opportunities in the County, please visit <http://www.marchesgrowthhub.co.uk/> or contact the dedicated business support hotline on 0345 6000727.



## Herefordshire LEADER programme 2015 – 2020

Contact the team on **01432 383023/39** or email [leader@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:leader@herefordshire.gov.uk)  
Full details are on the website at [www.herefordshire.gov.uk/leader](http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/leader)

### What will the LEADER Programme do?

The main objective is to create jobs and economic growth by supporting rural businesses.

The programme themes are:

- Support for micro and small enterprises, including farm diversification
- Support for rural tourism
- Support for increasing farm productivity
- Support for increasing forestry provision
- Provision of rural services
- Support for cultural and heritage activities

### Who can apply?

Project applications will be eligible from:

- Micro businesses (0-9 employees) and small businesses (10-49 employees)
- Qualifying micro and small farming and forestry businesses
- Social enterprises
- Voluntary organisations
- Community groups
- Parish councils based in rural Herefordshire

### How will I know if our project is eligible?

LEADER funding contributes to around 40% of total project costs. Cash match funding will be needed for around 60% of each project. This is a predominantly capital grant programme. Training, skills and running costs are not eligible for funding. Business addresses must be registered in the Herefordshire LEADER area.

Each project should read the Herefordshire LEADER Handbook please follow link to our webpage for further details of eligible and ineligible costs: [www.herefordshire.gov.uk/leader](http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/leader)

### What outputs could my project achieve?

An output is a measurable assessment of performance and success.

The main outputs for the program are: a) Jobs created & b) Businesses or holdings benefitting

**How much can we apply for?** Projects may be eligible for a grant of £2,500 up to a maximum of normally £35,000 to fund specific activities. Higher grants may be awarded to projects demonstrating exceptional output levels.

**For the full list of useful website links/contacts/information on the Herefordshire Rural Hub website visit the "Useful Links" page on the Herefordshire Rural Hub Website**  
<http://www.herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/useful-links-information/>

## Wyvern Training Ltd

Email: [enquiries@wyverntrainingservices.com](mailto:enquiries@wyverntrainingservices.com) Tel: 07468 465 303

<u>Course</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Venue</u>
Lantra Industrial Masted Counterbalance Lift Truck refresher	25 <sup>th</sup> September	Hereford
First Aid at Work refresher + assessment 2 days	27 <sup>th</sup> - 28 <sup>th</sup> September	Storrige
PA1 Safe Use of Pesticides 1 day + separate assessment	27 <sup>th</sup> September	T.B.C
PA6 Knapsack/Handheld applicators	28 <sup>th</sup> September	T.B.C

### Courses planned for October / November

Rodent control on farms <> Mole control – trapping <> Emergency First Aid at Work (1 day) <> Industrial Masted refresher  
ATV Sit- astride refresher & novice <> Rough Terrain Telescopic refresher <> Chainsaw Cross Cutting and Maintenance

### Other courses in development for Autumn/Winter include:-

Chainsaws – Basic felling techniques (up to 200mm) <> Chainsaws – Felling & processing medium trees (up to 380mm)  
Powered Pole Pruners <> Level 2 Food Safety <> Brushcutters & strimmers <> PA2 Crop Sprayers <> Sit-in ATVs  
PA3 Air Blast sprayers <> Basic Tractor Driving

**Please get in touch to discuss these or any other training requirements**

## Herefordshire & Ludlow College

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Course	Dates
Chainsaw Maintenance & Cross Cutting CS30 <i>2 days + assessment</i>	14 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> September    23 <sup>rd</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> October 7 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> December
Felling & processing trees up to 380mm CS31 <i>3 days + assessment</i>	25 <sup>th</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> September    27 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup> November
Maintenance, Cross cutting & felling trees up to 380mm CS30/31 <i>5 days + assessment</i>	13 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> November
Accessing a tree using Rope & Harness CS38 <i>5 days + assessment</i>	30 <sup>th</sup> October – 3 <sup>rd</sup> November
Chainsaw Maint & Operations – occasional users	6 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> November
Safe Use of Brushcutters & Strimmers	12 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup> October
PA2 Ground Crop Sprayers, incorp PA1 Safe Use of Pesticides <i>2 days + assessment</i>	17 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> October    21 <sup>st</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup> November
PA6 Handheld Applicators, incorp PA1 Safe Use of Pesticides <i>2 days + assessment</i>	12 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup> September    17 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> October 21 <sup>st</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup> November
Maintain & Operate your Chainsaw – hobby user	14 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> October
ATV handling – experienced operators <i>1 day + assessment</i>	25 <sup>th</sup> October
Tractor Driving 16yrs and over	14 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> October
Tractor Driving 13-16yrs	24 <sup>th</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> October

All courses take place at Holme Lacy Campus, HR2 6LL

### Sastak 7Y

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Course	Dates	Venue
City & Guilds Safe Use of Pesticides PA1	12 <sup>th</sup> September    24 <sup>th</sup> October	Wharton Court, Leominster
City & Guilds Boom Sprayer PA2	13 <sup>th</sup> September	Wharton Court, Leominster
City & Guilds Hand-Held Applicator PA6	14 <sup>th</sup> September	Wharton Court, Leominster
Lantra Chainsaw Maintenance & Cross Cut ( <i>2 days</i> )	20 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> September 10 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Wharton Court, Leominster
L1 Fire Awareness <i>morning</i> / L2 Fire Safety <i>full day</i>	10 <sup>th</sup> October	Wharton Court, Leominster
First Aid at Work ( <i>3 days</i> )	18 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Wharton Court, Leominster
City & Guilds NPTC Level 2 Chainsaw & Felling	4 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Harper Adams, Shropshire

Please contact Paula to register your interest for the following courses

CS30-31 Chainsaw & Fell Small Trees <> B+E Trailer Training <> ITSSAR or IPAF MEWP – Cherry Pickers etc

Winter dates available for full or refresher courses in:-

Plant Equipment – Dumper, Mini Digger, Excavator <> Lifting Equipment such as Telescopic, Fork lift trucks  
ITSSAR or IPAF MEWP – Cherry picker and scissors <> Health & Safety courses e.g. First Aid, AED, Manual Handling and Fire  
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