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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR KENT FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS CLUBS

WELCOME & MONTH'S REVIEW

Hi All

What a month! With a **WICKED AGM** in Blackpool! Three brilliant nights, Some very entertaining moments, and company. With everyone enjoying themselves! Whoop! Whoop! **The Kent YFC T-shirts were spot on!**. We were able to spot each other and we had some good slogans! Also we got **great publicity** getting photos in the **Farmers weekly** and **Farmers Guardian**. Well done to **Ashford YFC** for winning the **Farmers Weekly Golden Tickets**. A big thank you, to **Phil Quinn**, for organising the coach,, ensuring we all made it up there and back safely. What a weekend! Not many people knew but **Hayley Jull from Acryes YFC** won south east area Member of the Year and competed at National. Now there were only **seven finalists out of 22,000 members** and although unfortunately Hayley did not win, she did exceptionally well, so congratulations to her!

Straight after Blackpool was **Living Land** at the show ground I helped Maidstone YFC set up the evening before and gather it was quite a day! Well done to everyone who helped out!

Next on the County Calendar was the **County Social** which comprised of a scavenger hunt. Quite an evening, with around 6 teams and 40 people taking part. Great fun was had looking for clues around Wye, Apart from the shower of rain, everyone enjoyed themselves!

I attended **Cow Pie Country Show** which is organised and run by Surrey YFC, which was a great day out. With there fun and county competitions and trade stands it's quite a show!

North Downs YFC held a disco which was poorly attended but was still a good evening. I think that we all need to **support each others events more**, however we **as clubs need to promote our events better**. I would suggest delegating a club to a member and give them a hand full of flyers and send them out to the clubs a month and again a week before the event to really plug and infuse people to come along.

Next was **rugby sevens!** Now if I'm honest I was particularly looking forward to this as I don't play Rugby, and don't know the rules. Also had worries that being rather slender and not being overly well built that I might get snapped. **However!**

The Ashford V's Canterbury Rugby Sevens (Ashford 0 – Cant 32) It was great Fun apart form an incident where an Ashford Player broke an arm within 30 seconds which did put a small downer on the game, however overall it was fantastic fun and highly enjoyable. The Ref was very patient and Folkestone Rugby Club were fantastic. Canterbury did think before the game that we were going to get pummelled but it turned out to be a good win of 32-0. To Canterbury Well done to Ashford and Canterbury for getting Teams together hopefully next year we will have more teams competing as it is **brilliant fun**.

Thank you to all of you who came to exec we discussed and have implemented some vital bits which should enhance the running of County. However we are still missing a few clubs so please ensure your reps attend as it will keep your club up with what's going on.

LOOKING Forward!

Volleyball and games evening, on Friday the 5th. Should be a really good evening. Points at stake!. Please ensure you bring your membership Cards along!

Sub Committees busy time of year with Kent Show, Junior Ball, So looking forward to seeing you there.

Ash YFC have been dormant for a couple of years now and are having a reunion of all Ex Ash YFC members and hoping to re-launch on the back of this. So if you are an Ex Ash YFC member or if you just like to party please come along and support.

Look forward to seeing as many of you as possible in the next month
Over and out
Stuart Jakeman

EVENTS... and LOOKING 4WD.....

Another Month flown by and May saw more successful YFC events; with **LIVING LAND** again being popular. This year lots of PRESS contacts were made & we had Photographers from the (glossy) Kent Life Magazine in our area and TV crew from KOS (Kent Media) group too! Together with lots of VIP guests.

New Line Learning (Oldborough) & Westlands members....



THANK YOU to all those clubs who transported animals and members to support this educational event; on a school day we realise this can be difficult to organise but is very appreciated by **KCAS** who support us well; so it is our way of returning the favour. Their thank-you letter says **“they could not manage this event without our support”** and they really do mean that. Once again Stephen (Fred) & Verity Bullock with Maidstone YFC and a team of volunteers helped out before, on the day & afterwards to make our “area” happen.

WELL DONE & THANK-YOU to EVERYONE.....

On different theme, whilst many members at Heathfield Show (very successfully I might add) on the same day we had a **RUGBY** match between **Ashford & Canterbury teams**— good practice for further rounds (result in Sports & Comps section so as I don't spoil it for those reps!) but photo below — and lots more due on facebook! (and some just right for a “caption competition”!!!) **A BIG THANK-YOU** to our venue **Folkestone Rugby Club** for looking after us all so well & letting us use all their facilities including Referee, refurbished (smart) club house/bar etc. A very hospitable social venue which is available for hire



*** Stop press! ***

Following a recent meeting with Stuart, Myself and ex-members **ASH YFC** are re-launching! Please spread the word!
Event details to follow!

<< GOOD LUCK WITH 2009 SHOW SEASON >>

**SEE YOU ALL @ NEXT EVENTS — PARTICULARLY RALLY DAY
COMPS @ ACRYSE'S FARMING FAYRE....**

See County Diary & other sections for info

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COUNTY DIARY & EVENTS ...

June

Friday 5th "Sand" Volleyball
11-13th South of England Show
Monday 15th Sub Committee Meeting 8pm Royal Oak, Charing
Sunday 21st Acryse Farming Fayre and County Rally 1pm
Saturday 27th Canterbury & Acryse Summer Party (pm)
Monday 22nd Club Leaders (pre Kent Show) meeting 6.30pm KCAS (upstairs meeting room)

July

Saturday 4th Junior Ball, KCAS, (large Astor Pavillion) 7pm
Sunday 5th SEA Comps (Safety efficiency/fence erecting/eco house)
7-10th Royal Show
11th Ash Reunion/Relaunch Party all welcome, Ash Rugby Club
Friday 17th Kent Show Bash
17-19th Kent Show
Monday 27th County Executive Meeting, 8pm, Royal Oak, Charing

SOCIAL EVENTS.....

Saturday 27th June- Canterbury & Acryse Party
Canterbury

Please contact Canterbury/ Acryse Clubs for more details

Saturday 4th July- Junior Ball

6.30 for 7o'clock sit down

DJ

KCAS Large Astor Pavillion

Carriages at 12o'clock

For tickets please call Natalie on 07879630335

Friday 17th July- Kent Show Bash

Venue & times tbc

WHAT'S ON?

SPORTS & COMPETITIONS ...

As already mentioned by Stuart and Philippa, we had our Rugby round this month, with Canterbury winning with an immense 32-0 against Ashford. A good time had by all, thanks to Philippa for organising that for us.

We are still waiting for interest in the Hockey and Kwik Cricket. If you would like to enter either of these competitions please can you get in contact with us ASAP and we will organise it. If we have interest, we may be able to hold the cricket at the Sports event on the 5th June! This evening will also be holding the volley ball and rounders competitions so it should be a really good night! Don't forget your membership cards, and points will go towards the trophy so come on down!

With the Farming Fayre fast approaching on 21st June, there is even more opportunities to earn some points for your club. Loads of competitions on offer from static displays to clay pigeon shooting and blind sheep dog trials so should be a good day.

If you have any queries, intention to enters or require more information then don't hesitate to contact us. Looking forward to seeing you all at the upcoming events!

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MARKETING & PUBLICITY.....

It's all happening in M&P at the moment! The t-shirts for Blackpool seemed to go down well with everyone, even though the colour doesn't go with anything! (at least you stood out!) We're working on getting the Kent Cob and Kent Show booklet sorted and am slowly updating the Facebook 'friend' which is still getting lots of requests which is really positive. We're also looking into getting some 'tear-flags' to advertise Kent YFC at the Kent Show etc, which should look pretty smart! If anyone has any queries or suggestions send us an email at

jbm2512@yahoo.co.uk

Meopham YFC Pool Party

Meopham YFC are holding their Pool Party on Saturday 25th July at:

The Roost
Three Gates Road
Fawkham
Kent
DA3 8NZ

From 7pm

This years fancy dress theme is 'Musicals'
There is to be food, music, bar, overnight camping and of course the pool.

Tickets priced at £5 if in fancy dress
£6 if not.

These are available from Emma on 07843805957
or will be available from Meopham at the
Kent Show

Canterbury V's Ashford Rugby 7's



14 Brave Souls ventured out this Saturday Morning, having very limited Rugby knowledge.

Spirits of both clubs where high! Apart from a most unfortunate bad fall leading to an Ashford member having to go to Casualty within 30 Sec of the game starting. The game was tight and good fun, and both clubs gave the game there all.



Being 7 minute half's, and may I add they must be some of the longest 7 minutes you have ever witnessed.

Final Score: Canterbury 32 - Ashford 0

Canterbury & Acryse Summer Party

Saturday June 27th



The Canterbury and Acryse summer party which is being held at Clipgate, Barham.

It is open to everyone. Its bring your own food and drink and is RAVE themed so dressing up is compulsory otherwise you will feel silly being surrounded by fluorescent people.

Entry will be £5 per person.

People can camp if they bring a tent.