GWENT FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMER’S CLUBS

Minutes of the Executive & Competitions Committee Meeting held on Monday 14TH SEPTEMBER 2020 at 8pm via Zoom

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| CHAIRMAN:  SECRETARY:    **Abergavenny:**  **Bedwas:**    **Crucorney:**  **Raglan:**  **Usk:**    **Wentwood:**  **Co-opted:**  **Apologies:** | Abbie Williams – Executive & Katie Matthews - Competitions  Jemma Rodgers  Eleri Williams, cerys williams, jack bodily  Ellie Williams,caroline perkins, Lucy Turner  Thomas berry  Rhiannon Williams  Amy Tamplin, Alun Morgan, Kitty Bodily  Amy Phillips, Dominic Hampson Smith, Tim Williams, Ali Morgan |
| **13/CO/20** | **Apologies**  Were given -above |
| **14/CO/20** | **Matters Arising**  None |
| **15/CO/20**  **16/CO/20**  **17/CO/20**  **18/CO/20**  **19/CO/20**  **20/CO/20**  **21/CO/20** | **Correspondence**  Information re the book club sent out  Cheques from local councils still coming in. Another £300 received recently.  **LEVY**  Need to set county LEVY for the year.  Bills from NFYFC have now come in 181 x £25.80 & £7.86.  Discussion if we keep the same or increase/decrease  Bedwas- Would like it lowered, they subsidise the membership significantly  Abergavenny – Do not subsidise. Charge full price. Keep the same  Usk – Happy to keep the same. Subsidise Juniors a lot but in a good financial situation.  Wentwood – Happy to keep the same or decrease if that’s what the vote is.  Crucorney – No one attended  Raglan – Happy to keep the same. In a good financial position. Subsidises by about £7 per head. Thinks If we decrease now it will be to much of a big jump when things return to normal to increase again.  Mark – The LEVY works at the moment so lets keep it the same.  Decision taken to stick with the current LEVY cost of £42 per member for the year 2020/2021  Clubs advised if they are in any financial difficulty to ask for help.  Alun M – Very sensible to keep the LEVY the same for the forthcoming year.  **Competitions**  Bale Art – 10th October. All entries in by 6pm. Vidoes and photos to be sent to county to be forwarded to the judge  Katie read through the bale art rules and looking for peoples input  Abbie – due to COVID people will need to be in smaller groups. Potentially more than one entry per club?  Abergavenny – maybe top table design the idea and others build  Tom B – Some clubs have more members than others so could enter more. Need to keep it fair to the smaller clubs.  It was decided that clubs can allow as many statues as they wish in the club and encourage everyone to get involved. The winner from each club will then be entered into the county competition.  The more statues the more publicity.  Stockjudging  Was put forward to have the competition at the market on one of the 1st two Saturdays in October.  After lots of discussion it was agreed to not hold the competition in person and stick to a virtual competition due to clubs being in localised lockdowns and making it fair for all.  Jemma to speak to Wales and find out how they run the virtual stockjudging at the royal Welsh.  Abergavenny – have a good understanding of how the RWS worked – to advise county.  Carcass competition – to be held virtually on the same day as the stockjudging.  MOY  To be held on November 1st. Junior and Senior  Forms to be sent into county by the 25th October  This will be held via Zoom  **Public Speaking**  Due to the restrictions still in place this is likely to have to be held virtually  A discussion was had weather to hold juniors or seniors – repeats from last years competitions  Or if we change the seniors to a more fun competition.  Maybe Just a minute etc  Amy T – Suggested holding the competitions via Zoom  Aber – will be hard with the training of teams and people practising  Maybe we need to hold more fun individual comps this year incase  County will have a think of competitions and ways to do things. A date of the 22nd November has been put in the diary for these.  Wales YFC Eisteddfod dates and rules and Winter fair rules will hopefully be released shortly and we can participate in these.  **Membership forms**  Due to COVID we would like to try and reduce the amount of paper being touched. A new online form will be designed for you to fill in online and send to secretaries  Can secretaries send them to Jemma so they are aware of who has paid etc.  Jemma wont accept any from members without clubs knowledge.  **DBS**  If you haven’t done so please complete your DBS. Information has been sent out on the weekly newsletter  **COVID Training**  NFYFC are sending through a presentation for ALyssia or Jemma to give to all clubs. Please have this training before you organise any club gatherings. This has been arranged for a week Monday.  **Any other business**  Zoom – suggestion was put forward for Gwent to get their own Zoom account. Jemma to look into.  Abbie asked how all clubs were feeling about the reopening  Aber – Happy to meet up and reopen.  Bedwas – wanted to see what counties plans were before they started to think about re opening  Wentwood – happy to start up again with outdoor meetings. Already looking at some socials.  SOCIALS being discussed are car bingo, car treasurer hunt. Farm walks, virtual talks.  Glamorgan doing some of these and a junior social every month  Hopefully more people will be home during winter with time to get involved.  Decided Clubs to start socials and Gwent to support for now until numbers are allowed to increase.  Wales YFC safeguarding Policy  Being updated and popped onto the website – this will be a working doc and updated 3 times a year  Standing orders have been amend is everyone happy with this? Yes  Wales YFC AGM – abbie, katie are voters with 1 spot still vacant if anyone can attend please let Abbie know.  Sub committee AGMs -abbie to speak to relevant people  Newsletter – to be in PDF on website and the text on FB  Amy Phillips on the exec committee twice but only once with a vote. It was decided to leave as be and Amy remains to have a vote.  As there was no further business the meeting closed 9:30pm  Signed ……………………........................... Date ………………………… |