

**MUDIAD CLYBIAU FFERWYR IEUAINC MALDWYN**  
**MONTGOMERY FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS**

Minutes of the Activities committee held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2011 at  
7.30pm at Coleg Powys, Newtown.

**PRESENT:**

Elena Vaughan, Eimir Davies (Bro Ddyfi), Sioned Owens, Glyn Parry (Dyffryn Tanat), Sian Kettle, Lucy Jones (Llanfyllin), Sarah Evans, Sian Thomas (Tregynon) Stephen Francis, Cathy Jones, Gareth Jones, Gerallt Evans.

**A/15/11/12 APOLOGIES:**

Four Crosses YFC, Derwenna Davies

**A/16/11/12 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

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**A/18/11/12 TO ELECT VICE CHAIRMAN**

After the AGM, Ifan Bebb kindly refused the roll of Vice Chairman:  
Steve Francis proposed Lucy Jones as Vice Chairman and was seconded by Cathy Jones.

**Co-opted Members**

Angharad Richards, Steve Francis, and Cathy Jones, have accepted to stand.

**Autumn Dance**

The autumn dance was held in Llanidloes and there was a £455 loss from the event. It was thought that there were people doing the pub crawl, but they never attended dance at the end. Suggestions were made that people could be charged for doing the pub crawl, then get in to the dance for free. It was agreed that changes would have to be made before next dance due to the large loss.

**County quiz**

The quiz night had very good feedback from everyone. Every one enjoyed it and it was felt the bar works well. Although there was a good attendance at the quiz, a loss was made of £58.48. Suggestions were made that the £5 a team price was too cheap and £10 a team would still be a fair price.

**A/19/11/12 Christmas Dance**

The Christmas Dance had been decided in a previous meeting to be on 27<sup>th</sup> December in Crystals Newtown. In the last meeting it was decided that the theme would be Olympics/sports but it was decided that this was too similar to the "pub golf" theme last year. A suggestion was made that the theme could be "Christmas jumpers" and all agreed this was a good idea.

**Entry Prices-** Same as "back to YFC dance". **Stewards-** Sioned Owens, Glyn Parry, Angharad Richards, Lucy Jones and Gerallt Evans.

**A/20/11/12 CORRESPONDENCE**

- E-mail from the 'Leaving Care Team', Powys. The principle was agreed and it was decided to ask each club to donate something for the appeal, and they could bring donations to public speaking competition.
- A letter was read out from Dolfor YFC expressing their opinions on their disqualification of their club from some of the competitions in the field day, due to non member's participation and also expressed their concern that a steward allowed non members to participate in the competitions without a member's card.
- A statement was read out from county officials regarding the issues raised in the letter from Dolfor about the field day. The county officials will be proposing a new booking in system in the next executive meeting, which will hopefully stop these problems from reoccurring.

**A/21/11/12 Field day**

The main response from the field day was that the venue layout worked well, but there wasn't a huge amount of people present. It was thought that this was due to the fact most members there were competing in all competitions. A suggestion was made that the field day be held on a Saturday as it was felt people might not feel like attending on a Sunday due to being out the night before.

Another matter arising was that clubs were not booking in on time for competitions, and judges and stewards were waiting around.

It was suggested that a new rule was brought in that members would need to book in to a competition at the given time, even if they couldn't attend the competition its self till later on, then if nothing is heard form a club with fifteen minutes of a competition then they will be disqualified.

Judges and stewards from the efficiency with safety competition have expressed their concern regarding the fact that only three clubs competed and some did not seem to have knowledge of the competition.

It was agreed that for next year a training session be set up for members wishing to compete in the efficiency with safety competition.

It was thought a letter of apology be written to the judges and stewards of the efficiency with safety competition and let them know that the issue is being looked into.

A further point was made that the county field day, once again, clashed with the Wales AGM, and it was suggested that this would be another reason to move the date of the field day.

**A/22/11/12 Report from Wales Activity and International Committee.**

As reps from the committee, Glyn and Sioned apologised that they had not attended the meeting due not knowing when or where it was.

**A/23/11/12 County Dinner**

The county dinner has been booked for Dyffryn Banw Community centre on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2011.

**Speaker.**

Sioned Owens suggested Glyn Owens (Sioneds uncle, she will ask him) and Delmi Harris

**Disco.**

It was decided to ask Andrew Davies, Pinny, again.

**Port**

Sioned has already purchased 14 bottles of port.

**Ticket price**

Steve and Cathy said they had originally estimated that tickets would be £15, however it was decided to raise the price to £20 to avoid making a large loss on the event.

**Decoration**

Sioned has offered to make bunting with club logos on for the dinner, which could also be used for other events.

**A/24/11/12 FINAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR PUBLIC SPEAKING AND MEMBER OF THE YEAR.**

It was decided that all competitions would go forward to the overall trophy.

Stewards appointed for each competition:

Member of the year

Senior	Last year's senior member
Junior	Last year's junior member

**Public Speaking**

Welsh	Stewards
Junior reading	Rhiannon Vaughan (DT)
Junior speaking	Lowri Roberts (DT)
Intermediate after dinner speaking	Emyr Jones (Llanfyllin)
Senior- Brainstrust	Maggie Jones (Llanfyllin)
English	
Junior reading	Sian Davies (D.T)
Junior speaking	Steve Francis (Tregynon)
Intermediate Brainstrust	Angharad Richards (D.T)
Senior Debating	Cathy Jones (Llanfyllin)
Welsh written pub quiz	Linda Jones (Llanfyllin)
English written pub quiz	Derwenna Davies (Llanfyllin)

### **Catering**

Lucy Jones (vice chair) will take care of judge and stewards food, and Dyffryn Tanat and Llanfyllin members take care of competitor's food.

A/25/11/12 To make final arrangements for the 2012 pantomime competition.

**Adjudicators-** still to be confirmed

**M.C's-** Committee happy for this to stay as county officials and members of the year.

**Stage managers-** Richard Evans, Emyr Jones, Paul Phillips.

**Chief Stewards-** Same as last year

**Door stewards-** It was decided to choose door stewards after the draw

**Guests.** It was decided that County officials, life members and event hosts ONLY to be given the opportunity to pre book tickets for other performances.

### **Ticket Allocation-**

It was agreed that each club had 60 tickets for their performance night and 16 for the finals night and two additional producers tickets for the final.

The following rule was agreed upon by the Executive Committee on Thursday 29th

April 2010:

If a member **or** team fails to attend a Public Speaking competition that they have entered at County level, where involved in a competition where another person/club is

reliant on their presence, without giving apologies before a strict deadline, the entire

club that they represent will be penalised by removing their right to obtain Complimentary tickets for the final night of the Drama Festival.

**A written apology of absence must be received by the County Office:**

**before 5pm Monday 6th December.**

This information has been distributed to all clubs on competition rules and entry forms.

### **The following were agreed**

For the finals night members of the public would only be able to purchase 4 tickets each from the box office, and 12 every other night.

Two or three clubs to perform each night, depending on numbers entered.

To have the same order of Welsh and English as last year.

It was also suggested to stop the Pantos running on late, start at 7pm instead of 7.30pm.

### **Sale of tickets**

28<sup>th</sup> January

**Producers session**

5<sup>th</sup> February

A/26/11/12 Any other business

A) Draw of the choir performances for County Eisteddfod

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| 1 <sup>ST</sup> . | Dyffryn Banw  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> . | Bro Ddyfi     |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> . | Dyffryn Tanat |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> . | Llidiartywaen |

B) Helen Morgan is setting up a committee to organise a large event to provide long term income for county, and is looking for members from activities to stand on the committee.

Names put forward-

- Glyn Parry
- Sioned Owens
- Stephen Francis
- Cathy Jones

As there was no other business the meeting was declared closed at 9.15pm

**Signed:**..... **Dated:**.....