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| **C:\DOCUME~1\hctuser\LOCALS~1\Temp\XPgrpwise\IMAGE_3.jpeg****Company No: 7495168** | **Herefordshire Rural Hub****Helping Rural Businesses Thrive****November 2019 Newsletter** |
| **Herefordshire Rural Hub CIC**Agriculture HouseBeech Business ParkTillington RoadHereford, HR4 9QJTel: **01432 268 428****Co-ordinator** **Caron Johnson**hub@herefordshireruralhub.co.uk**Administrator****Frances Keogh**admin@herefordshireruralhub.co.uk **Event bookings** Tel: **01432 353 465**bookings@herefordshireruralhub.co.uk**Hub Directors** Liz Lloyd (Chair) Chris England  Christine Hope  Cathy Meredith Dan Robertson Kate Speke**Hub Hot Group** *The Directors and …..* Jenny Beard  Ben Corbett Paul Crumpton Catherine Every Charlotte Gibb Clare Greener  Caron Johnson Rachel Jones Frances Keogh  Andy Offer Julian Partridge Nick Read**Disclaimer***The Herefordshire Rural Hub* *accepts no liability for* *any direct, indirect or consequential loss* *arising from any action* *taken in reliance on the information contained* *in this newsletter.* |  | A picture containing clipart  Description automatically generatedA brief introduction about a local rural organisation, which sometimes goes under the radar……**IAgSA – The Institute of Agricultural Secretaries and Administrators**IAgSA is a professional organisation and was incorporated in 1967.Our members offer a wide range of services to farming and rural businesses in the UK, and we have a great **Herefordshire** Branch, which is thriving 😊**Who can be a member?**Farm administrators, bookkeepers, rural business administrators, farm secretaries, accountants, land agents, estate administrators and others; including family members who are now ‘doing the paperwork’ by default!**Membership Levels -** There are various levels of membership e.g. ***Full membership*** - aimed at fully qualified and/or experienced in farm business administration and bookkeeping etc through to ***Subscriber*** which gives you subscription to the monthly bulletin - ideal if you simply want to keep up to date with news in the bookkeeping and farming sectors!**How do members benefit?*** Receive a monthly bulletin, which is industry-recognised & rich in legislation and technical info!
* IAgSA liaises and works with industry stakeholders, the government and others on farming issues that affect our members and their clients.
* Training and networking, which is important in this changing and at times, isolated industry.

Come along and see us at the Rural Business Advice Day on 20th November. We will have a stand and are happy to chat about all things ‘bookkeeping’ in the rural office – from MTD to filing!**IAgSA Herefordshire Branch Contact details**;**Chairman:** Hannah Bryan – 07773 935469**Secretary:** Lesley Morden **Email:** iagsa.herefordshire@btinternet.com**Treasurer:** Frances Keogh**IAgSA** (national) **website:** [https://iagsa.co.uk](https://iagsa.co.uk/) **Thank you to our “Go To Businesses” who can be found on our website at** [www.herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/go-to-businesses/](http://www.herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/go-to-businesses/)**Berrys --- DJM Consulting --- Moule & Co** **Hope to Achieve --- 7Y Training --- CXCS** **Davis Meade Property Consultants** **Lanyon Bowdler Solicitors****Mortimer Rose Wealth Management*****If you would like to be a “Go to Business” go to:-*** [**http://www.herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/apply-become-go-business/**](http://www.herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/apply-become-go-business/)or contact Frances for more information – Email **admin@herefordshireruralhub.co.uk**  |
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| C:\Users\Fran\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\Content.Word\hfds_logo_2017_sponsored-01.jpg **Have you got this date in your diary??**  **Wednesday 20th November, 12noon till 6pm**It is the **10th** **Herefordshire Rural Business Advice Day** **Three Counties Hotel, Belmont Rd, Hereford HR2 7BP** Presentations, 1-to-1 Advice, Drop-ins, Lots of stands**Please see the attached flyer or click** [**HERE**](https://herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/whats-on/herefordshire-rural-business-advice-day-2019/) **for full details**  |
| **New rules on water use and abstraction – don’t lose your previously exempt abstraction rights**Water abstraction rules have changed and most previously exempt activities cannot continue without an abstraction licence in place. Time is running short to secure a licence for previously exempt abstractions, which is why you need to apply now, in good time **before the 31 December 2019 deadline**. Full details [**HERE**](https://herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/new-rules-on-water-use-and-abstraction-dont-lose-your-previously-exempt-abstraction-rights/)  |
| **Mud on the road – a reminder from the NFU****Make sure you are doing the right thing – for more information click** [**HERE**](https://herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/mud-on-the-road-nfu-briefing/)**“Mud on road” signs available to purchase****For more details click** [**HERE**](https://herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/nfu-herefordshire-harvest-campaign-mud-on-the-road-signs-available/) |
| **The end of Windows 7 – can you afford not to change?**Windows 7 is one of Microsoft's best-loved computing operating systems.  Like all operating systems before it, Windows 7 will very soon reach the end of its lifecycle, as Microsoft will end support on **14th January 2020.** **Find out more** [**HERE**](https://herefordshireruralhub.co.uk/the-end-of-windows-7-can-you-afford-not-to-change/)  |
| AHDB Bridgnorth Monitor Farm – final meeting“Cultivating a positive future for Shropshire farmers and agronomists”**6th November, starting at 10am** (lunch included)**Norton Village Hall, Norton, Bridgnorth, Shropshire TF11 9EQ**Looking at the last three years with Adrian Joynt, focusing on bringing all of the programme’s findings together to make an altogether stronger farm business. [**Rob Fox**](http://link.ahdb.org.uk/c/4/?T=NDUxNzg1OTU%3AcDEtYjE5MjgyLTRhZmI2NGI2M2Q3NTRkYThiZGFlZmYxOGEzZGYxNzQ4%3AaHViQGhlcmVmb3Jkc2hpcmVydXJhbGh1Yi5jby51aw%3AY29udGFjdC1kYzEyMTg4NDIzZDdlNjExODBjMDAwNTA1NmI4NjRiZi1jMjYxNTMwZTZlZjU0NDJjYjYyMjcyMzk0ZWY3ZDJhOQ%3AZmFsc2U%3AMg%3A%3AaHR0cHM6Ly9haGRiLm9yZy51ay9mYXJtLWV4Y2VsbGVuY2Uvc3F1YWJoYWxsP19jbGRlZT1hSFZpUUdobGNtVm1iM0prYzJocGNtVnlkWEpoYkdoMVlpNWpieTUxYXclM2QlM2QmcmVjaXBpZW50aWQ9Y29udGFjdC1kYzEyMTg4NDIzZDdlNjExODBjMDAwNTA1NmI4NjRiZi1jMjYxNTMwZTZlZjU0NDJjYjYyMjcyMzk0ZWY3ZDJhOSZlc2lkPWQ5YzQ2OTg5LWJhZTUtZTkxMS04MGVhLTAwNTA1NmI4NjRiZg&K=tgEfi1F6jhVj26RH8kumlA) **(Squab Hall Farm, Warwickshire) and** [**Martin Williams**](http://link.ahdb.org.uk/c/4/?T=NDUxNzg1OTU%3AcDEtYjE5MjgyLTRhZmI2NGI2M2Q3NTRkYThiZGFlZmYxOGEzZGYxNzQ4%3AaHViQGhlcmVmb3Jkc2hpcmVydXJhbGh1Yi5jby51aw%3AY29udGFjdC1kYzEyMTg4NDIzZDdlNjExODBjMDAwNTA1NmI4NjRiZi1jMjYxNTMwZTZlZjU0NDJjYjYyMjcyMzk0ZWY3ZDJhOQ%3AZmFsc2U%3AMw%3A%3AaHR0cHM6Ly9haGRiLm9yZy51ay9mYXJtLWV4Y2VsbGVuY2UvaGVyZWZvcmQyMDE3P19jbGRlZT1hSFZpUUdobGNtVm1iM0prYzJocGNtVnlkWEpoYkdoMVlpNWpieTUxYXclM2QlM2QmcmVjaXBpZW50aWQ9Y29udGFjdC1kYzEyMTg4NDIzZDdlNjExODBjMDAwNTA1NmI4NjRiZi1jMjYxNTMwZTZlZjU0NDJjYjYyMjcyMzk0ZWY3ZDJhOSZlc2lkPWQ5YzQ2OTg5LWJhZTUtZTkxMS04MGVhLTAwNTA1NmI4NjRiZg&K=vYX8a3PwB10AaGVb02sltA) **(MW Farming, Herefordshire) will provide commentary and physical/financial comparisons to their own businesses.** Even if you haven’t ever attended a Monitor Farm meeting the content will be relevant.**Topics to include:** * Can precision farming help your farm performance and profitability? At what cost
* How can farmers realistically build and maintain soil health?
* What does a profitable arable rotation look like?
* Reducing the variability of farm fixed cost
* What is the silver bullet to a low cost of production?

[**BOOK HERE**](https://herefordshireruralhub-my.sharepoint.com/personal/hub_herefordshireruralhub_co_uk/Documents/HUB%20Files/Newsletters%20current/November%202019%20newsletter/comms.ahdb.org.uk/lz/EventMgr_ShowEvent1.aspx?eID=15033&_cldee=aHViQGhlcmVmb3Jkc2hpcmVydXJhbGh1Yi5jby51aw%3d%3d&recipientid=contact-dc12188423d7e61180c0005056b864bf-c261530e6ef5442cb62272394ef7d2a9&esid=d9c46989-bae5-e911-80ea-005056b864bf)Or contact Richard Meredith AHDB Knowledge Exchange Manager - West & WalesEmail: **richard.meredith@ahdb.org.uk** Tel: **07717 493015** |
| **A close up of a logo  Description automatically generated****A free social media workshop for farming and rural businesses****in Herefordshire and Gloucestershire****“Introduction to using social media to promote your business”***Ideal if you have little or no experience of Facebook or Twitter***Thursday November 7th 2019 9.30am - 12.30pm****at Guiting Manor Farm, Winchcombe Road, Guiting Power, Glos, GL54 5UX****At this workshop you will learn:-*** The benefits of using social media.
* What are the different social media platforms and what would work best for you? Facebook, Twitter, Instagram.
* How do you set up an account?  Demonstration of how to set-up a Facebook account and a Facebook Page for your business.
* Creating interesting content – ideas and time-saving tips.

**Limited places and booking essential**To book your place please contact the Rural Hub: **bookings@herefordshireruralhub.co.uk** or telephone **01432 353465** |
| **Free workshop for farming and rural businesses in Herefordshire & Gloucestershire****“Digital Business development understanding the principles of developing****good business practice online”****A close up of a logo  Description automatically generatedThursday, November 14th 2019 7pm - 9pmat Agriculture House, Beech Business Park, Tillington Road, Hereford HR4 9QJ****Email:*** How do you set up a business email
* Setting it up in Outlook or equivalent
* Creating a professional image, setting up email templates and signatures
* Creating folders for emails and saving to local drives

**Cloud Storage:*** The difference between Google Drive, One Drive, Dropbox, iCloud etc.,
* GDPR considerations when using online storage
* Backing up your system -  using a portable hard drive to create a backup on both Mac and Windows

**Booking essential -** contact the Rural Hub: **bookings@herefordshireruralhub.co.uk** telephone: **01432 353465** |
| AHDB Hereford Monitor Farm meeting - “Farming today. How are you coping?”Thursday 21st November 2019 1pm – 4.30pm (food included) at Bishops Frome Village Hall, Bishops Frome, WR6 5AZWhile difficult circumstances such as weather, market volatility, peer pressure and parental expectations are often beyond our influence, much of our stress is actually within our own control [Martin Williams and Russell Price](https://ahdb.org.uk/farm-excellence/hereford2017?_cldee=aHViQGhlcmVmb3Jkc2hpcmVydXJhbGh1Yi5jby51aw%3d%3d&recipientid=contact-dc12188423d7e61180c0005056b864bf-ab91f46352cc41d0b86a2e8d7b25d4b4&esid=6ebe059b-c8e9-e911-80ea-005056b864bf) will be joined by Professor Alan White from Leeds University, to help understand how you can take control of your stress and ensure that you are not adding to it unwittingly. The event is free to attend, but please register so we can plan catering accordingly. [**BOOK HERE**](file://C:\Users\Ange%20and%20Colin\Downloads\comms.ahdb.org.uk\lz\EventMgr_ShowEvent1.aspx?eID=15023&_cldee=aHViQGhlcmVmb3Jkc2hpcmVydXJhbGh1Yi5jby51aw==&recipientid=contact-dc12188423d7e61180c0005056b864bf-ab91f46352cc41d0b86a2e8d7b25d4b4&esid=6ebe059b-c8e9-e911-80ea-005056b864bf)Or contact Richard Meredith AHDB Knowledge Exchange Manager - West & WalesEmail: **richard.meredith@ahdb.org.uk** Tel: **07717 493015**BASIS & NRoSO points have been applied for. |
| **Herefordshire Samaritans Christmas Fair****Wednesday 6th November 2019, 10am – 3pm****At Lyde Arundel, Hereford, HR4 7SN** Stalls, Refreshments.Raffle to be drawn on the day Entrance £5All proceeds go to support Herefordshire Samaritans | **Future Farm Technology Expo****6th – 7th November** <https://www.fftexpo.com/>**Three Counties Farming Conference****14th November** [**https://www.farmingconference.co.uk/**](https://www.farmingconference.co.uk/)**English Winter Fair****16th – 17th November** <https://www.staffscountyshowground.co.uk/english-winter-fair/>  **Welsh Winter Fair****25th – 26th November**  <http://www.rwas.wales/winter-fair/>  |
| **A close up of a piece of paper  Description automatically generated“Managing your Stewardship Scheme”****Friday 29th November 2019 12.30pm – 3pm** with lunch on arrival**At Sherrington Manor Farm Broxwood, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 9JR** *(by kind permission D, A & A Thomas)***If you have applied for Countryside Stewardship you may be wondering what happens next….****If you’re in Mid-Tier, or still waiting to hear, we want to help make managing the scheme easier!****Join us on a farm walk to discuss:** - Managing low input grassland - Livestock record keeping requirements - Establishing & managing winter bird food mixes - Establishing & managing pollen nectar mixes - Managing buffer strips - Capital Works - Claim process - Evidence requirements.**Please book your place through Herefordshire Rural Hub**Email: **bookings@herefordshireruralhub.co.uk** or telephone **01432 353465****When booking, please give your SBI Number and either your AGREEMENT or APPLICATION Number****There is second stewardship management event planned for the New Year which will include traditional orchard management for anyone who also has those options in their scheme – details to follow**  |
| **Holme Lacy Campus** **Equine Department** **Dressage Competitions 2019 – 2020****Sunday 17th November 2019.** *Entries close: 11th November***Sunday 15th March 2020.** *Entries close: 9th March***Full schedule and entry form** [**HERE**](https://www.hlcollege.ac.uk/news-pages-sub/595f6e2ce30ef/Equestrian-Dept-Dressage-Competitions-201920-Schedule) **Enquirie**s Tel: **01432 870017** |
| **=****The Wye & Usk Foundation – Here to Help****Here’s an update on the projects we have running in Herefordshire!*** **Natural Flood Management:** Our advisers are still working with landowners in target catchments to help deliver NFM interventions. There is grant available to support delivery of recommendations and so far this has funded grassland aeration, subsoiling, cover cropping, attenuation ponds, hedge planting and leaky dams for the farmers that have already got involved! The target catchments are the Dulas, Bodenham, Pentaloe, Tedstone, Cheaton, Ridgemore, Yazor and Red/Twyford Brook. If you farm in one of the target catchments and would like to find out more please call one of our advisers or visit: [**https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/info/200196/roads/345/flooding/6**](https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/info/200196/roads/345/flooding/6)
* **Pesticides:** Severn Trent Water are funding their **STEPS Grant Scheme** in the Wye for the first time this year. It is restricted to the **Drinking Water Safe Guarding Zone** which follows the main rivers so if you farm on the main stem of the Wye, Lugg or Frome and would like to improve a pesticide handling area or biobed/biofilter please contact Mike or Abi on the details below. STEPS is a competitive scheme and the application window opens in November. The scheme can also support biodiversity options like buffer strips, winter bird food and pollen mixes.
* **Water Quality:** The levels of phosphate in the rivers and streams is still higher than it should be and we are working hard to support local farmers to reduce losses from agricultural sources – which still contributes 50% of the P in our rivers. We are able to provide free confidential farm advice for any yard or land management challenges you may be facing. We can provide soil structure assessments, OM testing, yard advice, stewardship advice… the list goes on!
* **Stewardship Schemes:** We had a busy summer assisting with Stewardship applications – this year we helped to apply for over £4million worth of field options and capital items which will provide for wildlife and deliver benefits to our rivers across the county.
* **Our Advisers:** Kate, Mike, Lucinda, Tom, Jonny & Abi are all working across Herefordshire. We have two advisers working in the Welsh Wye. We now have three advisers for the Wye Valley AONB and Herefordshire Wildlife Trust – Ben Nott, Rebecca Meredith and Claire Spicer.

**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); T**om Jolley** (07545 253 155); **Jonny Pugh** (07825 743 447)**Abi Croshaw** (07990 068941); **Ben Nott** (07970 177319); **Rebecca Meredith** (07539 902681); **Claire Spicer** (07741 856770) |
| **The Jack Hughes Fund - administered by Herefordshire Community Foundation**From September 1st 2019 the Jack Hughes Fund has been extended to staff aged over 40 years working on a **Herefordshire** farm. The amount of funding available still remains up to a maximum of £70% of the course but has been increased to an overall maximum of £200.**The programme is available for farmers and farm staff** **aged over 40** (limited to one family member/employee per farming business per year).It 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 farm related training courses (examples below)** * Safe use of pesticides – PA1, PA2, PA6
* Rodent control on farms
* Emergency first aid
* Food safety (Basic Food Hygiene)
* Chainsaw Maintenance & Cross Cutting (CS30)

**Other courses will be considered on application****The funding is easy to access, but please note that the project will not support training retrospectively & 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** [Phone](https://www.google.co.uk/search?biw=1037&bih=468&q=herefordshire+community+foundation+phone&stick=H4sIAAAAAAAAAOPgE-LRT9c3LDQztzQrKM_S0s9OttJPzs_JSU0uyczP08_Oyy_PSU1JT40vSMxLzSnWz0gsji_IyM9LtQKTALQjNoRBAAAA&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwj1hcGNqJzTAhVrL8AKHcp3Bk4Q6BMIejAS): 01432 272550 Website: [**www.herefordshirefoundation.org**](http://www.herefordshirefoundation.org/) |
| **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.*** Some examples of training that has been funded so far:- **B+E Trailer, Chainsaw Certification, Pesticide Applications, Shearing, Artificial Insemination, Tractor Driving**, **Forklift Truck Driving, Rodent Control** and many moreWhatever training you are applying for, **please ensure that you submit your application in good time before**  **your course is due to take place, as training cannot be funded retrospectively.** For further details and an application form, contact:- **Herefordshire Rural Hub CIC**,  Agriculture House, Beech Business Park, Tillington Road, Hereford, HR4 9QJ  Email: **admin@herefordshireruralhub.co.uk**  Tel: **01432 268 428** |
| **Herefordshire Federation of Young Farmers Clubs****Sat 16th & Sun 17th Nov** NFYFC English Winter Fair  Live & Carcase Stockjudging Finals  Plus Staffordshire EWF Stockjudging (Sun)**Thu 28th Nov** AGRI Talks to DEFRA Event, YFC Centre 7pm**Sun 1st Dec** Public Speaking Day Competitions - Venue TBC**Sun 8th Dec** HFYFC Christmas Fayre, Hereford Racecourse 11am-4pm**Fri 27th Dec** Play Night For more details visit [**www.hfyfc.org.uk**](http://www.hfyfc.org.uk) or the contact the County Office Tel: **01432 274187** Email:**countyadmin@hfyfc.org.uk****Fri 1st Nov** County AGM, Green Farm, Felton, 7 for 7.30pm**Tue 5th Nov** Orelton Bonfire Night**Wed 6th Nov** Hereford Bonfire Night**Fri 8th Nov** Junior Quiz, Stretton Sugwas 7pm**Mon 11th Nov** New County Officers Evening 7pm Public Speaking Entries due in by 9pm**Wed 13th Nov** West Midlands Area AGM, Worcester 7.30pm**Fri 15th Nov** AGRI Tenancy Training (NFYFC/SAVILLS) YFC Centre 3pm |
| **St Michael’s Hospice - Light up a Life****Remembering family, friends and colleagues and reflecting on the times we spent together.**Light up a Life gives you the chance to celebrate their lives – by lighting a candle, placing a dedication in St Michael’s ‘Books of Remembrance’ and, if you wish, attending one of the special events taking place throughout Herefordshire and the surrounding area. The full list of Light up a Life services can be found [**HERE**](https://www.st-michaels-hospice.org.uk/event-type/light-up-a-life/)  |
| **The Power of Social Media**By the time you read this article the Rural Hub will have hosted another helpful and supportive event free of charge for you, on how to get the most out of social media. Keep your eyes peeled for future events.By way of example, the tractor and trailer complete with apples in the picture, was stolen a couple of weeks ago from Wormelow and was seen last heading into mid Wales. We know this because of Social Media. This picture I posted on Facebook had a reach of 27,000 people !! That’s 27,000 sets of eyes looking out for stolen property potentially.The Police Crime Commissioner for West Mercia, John campion, has invested further into policing rural and business communities by having 2 Police Officers across Herefordshire dedicated to work alongside Paul Crumpton, the existing Rural & Business officer. Together, they will address key issues facing rural and business communities and also develop the **We Don’t Buy Crime** approach. This is an exciting development within a Problem Solving Hub to ensure that prevention is at the foremost of our approach but also expanding the opportunities to engage with communities so that Police activity can be focussed on local issues.By the time you read this, the two experienced Officers will be in post and probably dealing with Poachers !!Contact: **Paul Crumpton**, Rural & Business Crime Officer (Crime Prevention) HEREFORDSHIRE, West Mercia PoliceEmail: **Paul.crumpton@westmercia.pnn.police.uk** Tel: **07773 044781** |
| **The draft Wye Valley AONB Management Plan 2020-2025**has been published for a 10 week public consultation period **until 6th January 2020.**The Draft Plan and consultation details can be found [**HERE**](https://www.wyevalleyaonb.org.uk/caring-for-wye-valley-aonb/management-plans/2020-2025-consultation/) |
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| **Herefordshire & Ludlow College**Tel: 0800 032 1986 Email: **enquiries@hlcollege.ac.uk** Website: [**www.hlcollege.ac.uk**](http://www.hlcollege.ac.uk) |
| **All courses are held at Holme Lacy Campus, Holme Lacy, HR2 6LL** |
| **Course** | **Dates in 2019/20** |
| **CS30 Chainsaw Maintenance & Cross Cutting** *2 days + assessment* | 27th – 28th January  |
| **CS31 Felling & Processing Trees up to 380mm** *3 days + assessment* | 11th – 13th November 3rd – 5th February |
| **CS30/31 CM & CC, Felling up to 380mm** *5 days + assessment* | 25th – 29th November 24th – 28th February |
| **CS38 Accessing a tree using a rope and harness** *5 days + assessment* | 18th – 22nd November 9th – 13th March |
| **CS39 Aerial cutting of trees using free fall techniques** *3 days + assess* | 30th March – 3rd April |
| **Chainsaw Maintenance & Operations – occasional user** | 5th – 6th December 23rd – 24th January  |
| **PA1 Safe Use of Pesticides Foundation Module**  | 14th January |
| **PA6 Handheld Applicators** *1 day + assessment* | 15th January |
| **PA2 Ground Crop Sprayers** *1 day + assessment* | 16th January |
| **Tractor Driving 16+** | 29th February – 1st March |
| **Tractor Driving 13-16 year olds** | 20th – 21st February |
| **Courses arranged on demand**CS32 Felling & Processing Trees over 380mm **<>** Ground based chainsaw refresher <> Safe Use of Brushcutters & Strimmers PA Boom Sprayer Air Assisted <> PA6AW Handheld Applicators in or near Water <> ATV refresher FLT Operations (Rough Terrain Telehandler) <> Safe use of pedestrian mower <> Safe use of ride-on self-propelled mower Vertebrate Control (Rats & Mice) <> Safe Use of Aluminium Phosphide <> Safe Use of Manually Fed Wood Chipper |

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| **Wyvern Training Ltd****Email: enquiries@wyverntrainingservices.com Tel: 07468 465 303 Website:** [**www.wyvernts-ltd.co.uk**](http://www.wyvernts-ltd.co.uk) ***WTS are proud to be Bronze Sponsors of the Herefordshire Rural Business Advice Day on 20th November.*** ***If you are going to be there, please come and talk to us.*** |
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| **Industrial Counterbalance Truck refresher** | 13th November |
| **ATV Sit-in refresher** | 13th November |
| **Rough Terrain Telescopic refresher** | 14th November |
| **360 degree Digger training (3 days)** | 18th – 20th November |
| **Emergency First Aid at Work** | 3rd December 17th December |
| **PA1 Safe Use of Pesticides** | 5th December |
| **PA6 Pesticides Hand held Applicators** | 6th December |
| **Rodent Control on farms** | 10th December |
| **PA4s Pesticides Slug Pellet Application** | 12th December |
| **Abrasive Wheels** | 16th December |
| **Chainsaw Cross Cutting & Maintenance (2 days)** | 16th – 17th December |
| **Chainsaw Cross Cutting & Maintenance refresher** | 18th December |
| **Manual Handling (half day)** | 18th December |
| Courses also planned – please call for detailsTractor Driving refresher (experienced drivers only) <> Driving on slopes <> Scaffold Tower <> MEWPs |

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| **7Y Training Services****7Y Training Centre, Wharton Farms, Wharton, Leominster, HR6 0NX** **Contact: Paula Strangwood** Email:**paula@7ytraining.co.uk**Tel: **07808 670110** |
| **Course** | **Dates** *(subject to change if numbers are low)* | **Venue** |
| **C&G Safe Use of Pesticides (PA1)** | 13th November | Leominster |
| 13th November | Harper Adams |
| **C&G Knapsack Sprayer (PA6)** | 19th November | Leominster |
| 15th November | Harper Adams |
| **C&G Ground Crop Sprayer (PA2)** | Call for costs & dates | Leominster |
| 14th November | Harper Adams |
| **C&G Slug Pellet PA4s** | 12th November | Hereford |
| 11th December | Harper Adams |
| **C&G Chainsaw Cross Cutting & Maintenance**  | Call for costs & dates | Leominster |
| **C&G CS30/CS31** | 18th – 22nd November | Harper Adams |
| **Brushcutters & Trimmers** | 4th November | Harper Adams |
| **ITSSAR Rough Terrain Telescopic Refresher** | 18th December | t.b.c |
| **First Aid at Work** | 27th – 29th January 2020 | Leominster |
| **Emergency First Aid at Work** | 9th December 9th January 2020  | Leominster |
| **First Aid at Work refresher** | 20th & 21st January 2020 | Leominster |
| **Level 2 Health & Safety in the Workplace (CSCS card)** | 2nd December | Leominster |
| ***Contact Paula*** *(details above)* ***to register your interest, and find out more about the following courses:-***ATV Sit-astride Quad Bikes <> ITSSAR MEWP Cherry Pickers <> 360 Elevator (below 5 tonnes) <> Working at HeightsManual Handling (am), Fire Awareness (pm) <> ITSSAR/Lantra Counterbalance & Rough Terrain Telescopic Confined spaces <> Driver Certificate of Professional Competence (CPC)  |

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| **Are you unsure about details of rules or regulations? Need help with understanding record keeping?*** **Farming Advice Service** Email: **advice@farmingadviceservice.org.uk** website: [www.farmingadviceservice.org.uk](http://www.farmingadviceservice.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 (AHPA)** enquiries. It is open from Monday to Friday, 8.30am till 5pm. * **Natural England** 0300 060 1115  **enquiries@naturalengland.org.uk**
* **Environment Agency** Sharon Chisholm (Mon, Tues, Weds) Tel: 02030 251692 Email: **sharon.chisholm@environment-agency.gov.uk**
* **N.F.U.** (Herefordshire) Clare GreenerTel:01432 807464Mob: 07771 626080 Email: **Clare.Greener@nfu.org.uk**
* **C.L.A.** (Midlands)Helen Dale Tel: 01785 337010 Email: **helen.dale@cla.org.uk**
* **Animal Health & Trading Standards** (Herefordshire) Tim Barber Tel: 01432 383145 Fax: 01432 383169
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| **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** 07966 927404 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)
* **Carerstrust 4 All** – **Hereford CarerLinks** 01432 663057 website: [www.carerstrust4all.org.uk](http://www.carerstrust4all.org.uk)
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