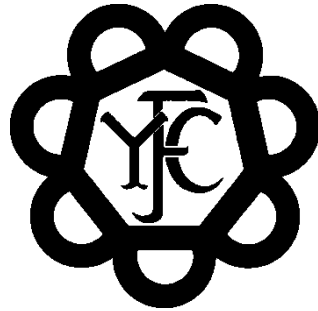


# HEREFORDSHIRE FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS



## WELDING 2023-24

on

**TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

at

Holme Lacy College Campus, 6 Bridge Road, Holme Lacy,  
Hereford, HR2 6LS

by kind permission of

**The Principal**

## COMPETITION RULES

# End of Year Trophies

Name of Trophy	Contributing Competitions/Awarded to
Hereford Times Efficiency Shield	The overall results will count towards the Efficiency Shield – this is the overall competitions trophy for the year
Intermediate Competitions Cup (CL Coxon Cup)	Class 1A only will count towards the CL Coxon Cup

## **IMPORTANT GUIDELINES**

Please read the below carefully and follow instructions clearly to avoid any mistakes or confusion.

- a) Closing date for entries to be received at the County Office is:

**9PM ON MONDAY 8<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2024. LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

We realise that some of the names on your form may change after this date. Providing the changes are notified to the competition steward this will cause no problem.

- b) All competing members must have a **VALID CURRENT MEMBERSHIP**.
- c) Two sets of schedules are enclosed for each Club. A booklet set is for the Club Secretary's reference and the A4 stapled set is for dismantling and passing on rules to the competing members, you may need to copy extra.
- d) One entry form is enclosed per Club. This is for completion and to be returned to the County Office by the deadline, you can make a copy for your records in the back of the booklet copy where the entry form is included or please ask for a spare form to fill in. You can also complete an online copy from email or the website. All rules and entry forms are emailed to Club Chairmen and Secretaries in advance and posted out if not collected from the Office by a Club Representative.
- e) Any trophies relating to this competition held by any Club member must be returned to the County Office by the above deadline date, along with the entry form.
- f) Please make sure all competitors are aware of the competition rules and times.
- g) **HELPING MEMBERS WITH ADDITIONAL PHYSICAL or LEARNING REQUIREMENTS.** HFYFC seeks the inclusion of the full membership in its endeavours. Should a member require assistance to compete at a County Final due to any additional physical or learning requirements, every effort shall be made to ensure inclusion of any member with dignity, respect and confidentiality. HFYFC requests prior knowledge of assistance required in order to maximize the benefit to the individual.

## HFYFC GENERAL RULES

### **These General Rules are to be adhered to for all HFYFC Competitions**

1. The competitions listed herein are open to members of Herefordshire Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs (HFYFC) holding a valid, current YFC membership. (Valid is classed as being fully processed and authorised and of the current year, a copy of the card can be a printed copy or electronic version shown on a device.)
2. Failure to produce a fully processed and authorised valid membership will mean that the member will be unable to compete in the competition.
3. Age ranges for competitions are as follows:
  - Senior – Open to members 28 years of age or under on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023
  - Intermediate – Open to members 21 years of age or under on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023
  - Junior – Open to members 16 years of age or under on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023, and 10 years of age or over on the day of the competition.
4. Health and Safety requirements must be adhered to at all times
5. Competitors must act in accordance with HFYFC policies, where applicable.
6. No alcohol is to be consumed by competitors before or during the competitions. Any member judged to be under the influence of alcohol, or any other substance will not be permitted to continue with the competition and may be disqualified. Alcohol will also not be used or displayed in any competition (unless specified in the competition rules). Empty bottles can be used for display purposes only.
7. The use of mobile phones by competitors during competitions is prohibited.
8. A white coat must be worn where specified.
9. No competitor can enter the same competition in different age ranges.
10. All work must have been made by members in the last 12 months.
11. All work must be that of the competitor who has booked in, if the entry is being booked in by somebody else then the person booking it in must have a copy of the competitor's card.
12. The entry to a competition cannot have been entered into a previous HFYFC competition.
13. Club or County names must not be displayed on any part of entries or displays (unless otherwise stated in the specific competition rules) – *please be careful when using photographs including club tops.*
14. Where more than one entry per club is allowed in a competition, where applicable, only the points of the highest scoring entry will count towards the cups and trophies and overall results.
15. Competitors must arrive on time and report to the competition steward **before** the start time of the competition to book in with necessary equipment to complete the competition.
16. In the event of a conflict between the competition rules and the general rules, the competition rules will govern.
17. All staged items or exhibits must remain the responsibility of the competitor. Neither HFYFC nor the site host accepts any liability for loss, damage or theft of any item.
18. No staged items or exhibits can be removed before prize giving, at penalty of disqualification.
19. The Chief Steward and the Competitions Chairmen reserve the right to cancel or amend any competition rule at any time.
20. In all competitions the decision of the Chief Steward and the Competitions Chairmen will be final.
21. Unacceptable behaviour or questionable material by competitors or supporters which brings YFC into disrepute; or which may be deemed to adversely affect other competitors/performers will be penalised. This includes maintaining a respectful attitude towards all judges, stewards, officers and any other event helpers.

## **Deductions**

### **22. Late entries**

- a. Any entry received by the County Office after the date and time specified on the rules for the competition, will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis, and the decision will come from the County Chairman and Competitions Chairman, on whether they can compete and if any deductions will apply to the club's score.
- b. The member partaking in the competition is still eligible to get a prize card and compete at the next round.
- c. The deduction will occur after the prize cards have been written out. The deduction will apply to any trophy handed out on the day, overall day scores and the end of year trophies.

### **23. Transferring of classes**

- a. If a club wishes to transfer a member into a class (which previously had no entry) after the entries have been received by the County Office on the date and time specified on the rules for the competition a 25% deduction will incur for the CLUBS score. The member partaking in the competition is still eligible to get a prize card and compete at the next round. The deduction will occur after the prize cards have been written out and will apply to any trophy handed out on the day and the end of year trophies.

### **24. For entries not according to schedule**

- a. 25% of marks awarded will be deducted for all entries that are not according to the schedule - This includes any exhibits oversized, missing items (recipe/photos etc). If there are multiple things wrong with the entry, there will only be one deduction of 25% applied.
- b. 25% is deducted from the total score given by the judge, but if they still place after a deduction is awarded the Competitor will still be eligible to gain a prize card with the deducted score and will still be eligible to qualify for the next rounds where applicable.

### **25. In competitions with time limits**

- a. In competitions with time limits, the following marks will be deducted if the competitor overruns - (unless otherwise stated in rules – i.e., stock judging):

<b>Competition Length</b>	<b>Penalty</b>
Up to 30 minutes	5% of total marks per minute or part thereof
31 to 60 minutes	5% of total marks per two minutes or part thereof
61 to 120 minutes	5% of total marks per five minutes or part thereof
121 minutes and over	5% of total marks per ten minutes or part thereof

- b. The Competitor will still be eligible to gain a prize card with the deducted score and will still be eligible to qualify for the next rounds where applicable.
  - c. 5% is deducted from the total score given by the judge.
26. Any disagreements from clubs/competitors about markings or deductions must be made on the day of competition to the Chief Steward or Competitions team, and will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.
27. In the event that a deduction is applied for any reason and the subsequent mark results in a decimal place, if the decimal place is 0.5 or above, it shall be rounded up to the next whole number. If the decimal place is 0.49 or below, it shall be rounded down to the next whole number.

## Class 1A: Intermediate Welding

Time: Booking in at 5pm, for welding to start at 5:30pm prompt.  
Entries: Open to ONE (1) member per club. Competitors to be 21 years of age or under on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023 and 10 years or over on the day of the competition.

Marks:

Mig Welding	50
Arc Welding	50
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

Rules:

1. Competitors will be provided with MIG WELDING EQUIPMENT and will be required to do various fillet and butt welded joints as directed by the judge.
2. Competitors will be provided with ARC WELDING EQUIPMENT and will be required to do various fillet and butt welded joints as directed by the judge.
3. Competitors **MUST** wear overalls or other protective clothing.
4. Maximum time allowed is 30 minutes – 10 minutes for preparation and 20 minutes for welding. Due to the number of welding bays available that can be fit in one process, competitors will be split into two groups with one group doing the process of MIG whilst the other does ARC, then swap over halfway through the time.
5. All competitors are responsible for clearing up their work area when they have finished the competition.
6. No names of clubs or counties are to appear on any exhibits.

Awards: The Simeon Cole Challenge Cup, The Rally Shield

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## Class 1B: Senior Welding

Time: Booking in at 5pm, for welding to start at 5:30pm prompt.  
Entries: Open to ONE (1) member per club. Competitors to be 28 years of age or under on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023 and 10 years or over on the day of the competition.

Marks:

Mig Welding	50
Arc Welding	50
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

Rules:

1. Competitors will be provided with MIG WELDING EQUIPMENT and will be required to do various fillet and butt welded joints as directed by the judge.
2. Competitors will be provided with ARC WELDING EQUIPMENT and will be required to do various fillet and butt welded joints as directed by the judge.
3. Competitors **MUST** wear overalls or other protective clothing.
4. Maximum time allowed is 30 minutes – 10 minutes for preparation and 20 minutes for welding. Due to the number of welding bays available that can be fit in one process, competitors will be split into two groups with one group doing the process of MIG whilst the other does ARC, then swap over halfway through the time.
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