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Your Society needs you!



Welcome to the spring edition of the Society newsletter, I hope that by the time you are reading this the agricultural members are busy with the spring workload, be that lambing, calving, spring drilling or potato setting. It is always an exciting time in the countryside when everything suddenly bursts into life after winter. Let's hope for a perfect growing season, bumper yields, healthy livestock and full support and co-operation from Andrea Leadsom and her merry band. I know, I am a born optimist, that's why I am a farmer!

Hopefully all members are now fully aware of the proposed new strategy of the Society, if not please get in touch as we obviously do not have your correct contact details. It is my intention and that of the Board that we ensure we create a Society that is well placed to serve the region's agricultural community and put the foundations in place on which the next generation can build. I

am greatly encouraged by the enthusiasm shown by the Cultiv8 group for the Society's future role, as it will be their task to bring it to fruition. The Board, Council, Cultiv8 and most importantly the senior management team tasked with delivery will need your help. If you feel that you have a skill set that could assist with any aspect of the new strategy, now or sometime further down the line please do not hesitate to get in touch with either Jeremy or myself. This is too big a task to undertake without a great deal of assistance.

As we move into summer I look forward to meeting you at the many events the Society hosts or is associated with. I welcome the chance to hear your thoughts and ideas as to how we shape our Society so that it has a pivotal role in the promotion of agriculture and rural life in post Brexit Britain.

Thomas Beazley
Chairman

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Cover picture: Winners of the Smithfield College challenge

I am writing this on a warm spring day in mid-March and looking forward to the extremely busy summer season for both the Society and SGS.

Work has been undertaken over the winter to completely refurbish the Peterborough and Cambridge Suites to make them modern and up-to-date and more attractive to event organisers. You will notice a complete redecoration, new carpets, new lighting and hidden away in the Cambridge Suite is a new boiler.

The external cladding will be fitted following the opening of the two suites and we are expecting the Peterborough Suite to be christened at the AGM and Council on 23rd March.

Cultiv8

There are details of Cultiv8 activities elsewhere in the *Society News* but I did attend a recent meeting where Air Vice-Marshal Gary Waterfall gave a 40 minute presentation

on his life in the RAF and how his leadership skills were developed. Certainly everyone in the room learnt from Gary and I am sure that the 40 or more Cultiv8 members who attended would all have taken away some positive messages from the evening.

Young Farmers Rallies

The Society continues to support the Young Farmers in the area and we will again have a presence at the Cambridgeshire, Northamptonshire and Bedfordshire Young Farmers Rallies and we look forward to seeing a number of our members at these events.

Sponsorship

I am also delighted that the Central England Co-operative Limited has agreed to sponsor the Kids Country Food and Farming Day this year on 30th June. We already have over 6,600 children booked in for the day which promises to be our biggest and best yet.

We are very grateful for

the Central England Co-operative Limited for their sponsorship and the PR that they are currently undertaking.

We are also delighted that Lycetts have continued to sponsor the Festival of Hunting and there will be a drinks reception at the end of the day. Members are of course invited to the day and will be invited to the drinks reception which starts around 5 o'clock in the evening.

Showground Services

SGS has been very successful in attracting new business and this promises to be an extremely busy summer on the Showground. We look forward to seeing our members at a number of events over the next few months.

Jeremy Staples
CEO

In addition to the big events recorded in *Society News*, we also support other activities that are relevant to our objectives. In November we welcomed the ADAS Yield Enhancement Network group, followed by Cambridgeshire County Council farms team for a tenants workshop and new tenancy applicants workshop.

Once again we had a presence at LAMMA both in the Northampton suite and in Hall 7 to meet members and promote our activities.

We have also been building our network of connections by attending the CLA, NFU and RASC conferences, the Cambridgeshire food and drink event in Parliament, the Long Sutton and District Agricultural Society AGM and assisted Bedfordshire Young Farmers with a training event.

Daisy-Ocean Frame was welcomed to the Society team in February to manage the member database and our communications through traditional and some more novel methods!

There are lots more activities in the diary for 2017 and we look forward to raising the profile of the Society at every opportunity.

East of England Farming Conference

Turn to page 12 for reports on Smithfield and the farming conference

East of England Arena and Events Centre

Read about the rebrand and refurbishment

Dates for your diary

Keep up to date with the events for the year ahead

The Festival of Hunting

2017 will celebrate the 129th Peterborough Royal Foxhound Show

“Looking forward to the extremely busy summer season for both the Society and SGS.”



Cultiv8 events

Leadership with Gary Waterfall

Cultiv8 were privileged to receive a talk from Air Vice-Marshall Gary Waterfall, Chief of Staff in the RAF for their early March meeting.

Gary presented a truly inspiring talk to the group, detailing his career in the RAF talking about the varying leadership styles that he had encountered, how he leads his team now, and the impact of what we do as a leader that can influence the team we have around us.

William Haire finished the evening, telling us his vision for the future of the Society and how Cultiv8 can get involved. The future is promising!

Cultiv8 Ball

The first ever Cultiv8 Ball took place on the 18th of

February, with the theme of Best of British.

The Atrium was adorned with Union Flags, and a 'decorate your own table' competition added to the brightness of the room thanks to everything from candelabra's to balloons. Many thanks to Charles and Sally Horrell for judging.

The competition continued throughout the evening, with a particularly intense game of Heads or Tails. It is impressive how a room of 150 people can get so caught up in a game consisting of flipping coins!

The food was another highlight of the evening with a main course of roast rib of beef followed by a delicious chocolate pudding and cream. For those who could squeeze a little extra in, there was also a fabulous cheese table.

The Cultiv8 Committee would like to thank RAGT, Gleadells and Strutt & Parker for sponsoring the welcome drinks, Arthey Associates and Pode Hole Farm for sponsoring the Cheese Table, Hey Ho & Co for sponsoring decorate the table, the Prize, and the Stand In Band for the evening entertainment.

Cultiv8 Overall

We are now just over a year since our first Cultiv8 meeting and a brilliant year it has been! We have had a fantastic array of talks and demonstrations, sent 2 of our members to the RASC conference in Singapore and hosted our first ever Ball.

Keep the 3rd Thursday of the month free, as where possible this is when we will host our meetings.

Cultiv8 is not a 'next-

generation' group. Cultiv8 is angled towards those working and impacting the industry now. Our members are already part of the generation that are bringing about change, and the East of England Agricultural Society strives to support them!

Membership to Cultiv8 is just £30 and included in that you will receive all the benefits of an East of England Member.

Contact Ruth Trolove
Cultiv8@eastofengland.org.uk
or 01733 363509

"The future is promising!"

Moulton College comes on board

The Marshal Papworth committee is pleased to announce that the 2017 short course will be held at Moulton College in Northampton, widely recognised as one of the top colleges in the country.

The tailored 10 week full time short course will advance students to help their communities to develop a sustainable future in a practical way. The



students will achieve a BTEC Certificate in Agriculture.

There will also be a schedule of enrichment and cultural visits which support the programme.

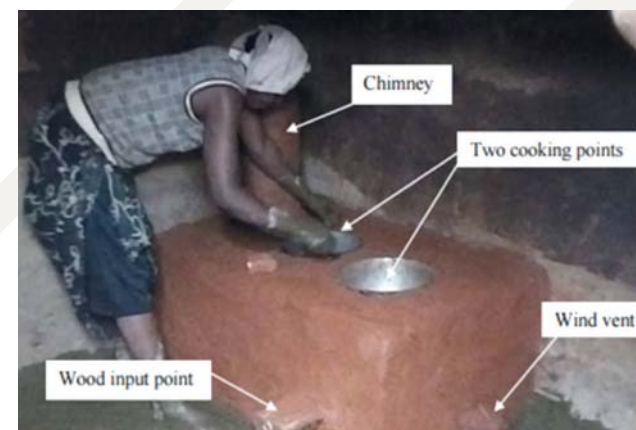


Energy Saving Stoves Project

Solomon Ojambo, who earned a scholarship studying an MSc in Conservation and Land Management at Bangor University in 2014, has returned home to Uganda and created a solution to the fuelwood crisis that impacts his local community.

Having seen first-hand how

renewable energy is used in the UK, Solomon teamed up with a national energy saving company, to teach and train the Gundu village community how to produce energy-saving stoves. Homes are now able to save up to 70 percent of the fire wood that has traditionally been used each day.



A Marshal Papworth-donated football kit

Youth Development

We work tirelessly to boost youth involvement in villages through skills development projects, and those who have been involved have already been hired by neighbouring villages and paid well.

We also encourage sports competitions among primary schools, where we get the

opportunity to talk to the young children and encourage them to plant trees and properly manage their farmlands.

Gundu community now boasts of being one of the most resilient villages in the Elgon sub-region in terms of food security and labour availability.

"We work tirelessly to boost youth involvement in villages"



Breakfast Week – All Plated Up:

The Kids Country team went on the road in January to celebrate our second Breakfast Week. Our message was simple – to show children how British agriculture produces the breakfast on their plates. During the week, we visited 3 local schools and reached over 400 children with our hands-on learning experiences.

The visits consisted of four zones:

1. Pancake Zone - Children learned about the individual ingredients that go into pancakes, and their journey from field to supermarket. The children then made their own pancakes, and ate them topped with delicious British jams and local honey produced by our own Showground bees
2. Metre Square – Children learned about what goes into, and comes out of, a

square metre of a farmer's field, including how many seeds, hours of sunshine, buckets of water, and wriggly worms go into producing the cereal we enjoy for breakfast. They also learned about crop rotation and other important agricultural techniques

3. Pigs and Oats – Children got to grips with the journey of bacon, from pig to sandwich, and also how oats get from the field to a bowl of porridge. There were games and jigsaws as well as bacon sandwiches and porridge for each child to try
4. Tractor in the Playground – A tractor was taken to each school, and local farmers then talked to the children about the role that the tractor

plays on the farm and in producing our breakfast

The week was a big undertaking for the team, but thanks to an army of enthusiastic volunteers, including corporate support from My Fresh and Central England Cooperative, it was a real pleasure to do.



Alconbury school - Jo Baker explaining the journey of pancake ingredients (farm to fork)



Willow Maze volunteers

Our A-Mazing Maze!

The Willow Maze at the Kids Country Education Area received some TLC this February when it underwent the next stage of its transformation into a usable maze. An army of volunteers worked across four days to train the long willow into hedges, tunnels and dens, and coppiced the remaining willow to ensure thick growth from the ground up.

Today the maze is looking short and bare but it's properly prepared for this year's growth. Some further maintenance next year



should thicken growth again and ensure the maze is finally ready for the children in 2018/2019.

The next stage will be putting activities within it, to make it educational as well as fun.

The maze complements the

Dragonfly Pond, wildflower meadow, dry stone wall, bee observatory and thatched barn that are already part of the Education Area.

A big thank you to all the team involved.

Food & Farming Update:

The planning is well underway for this year's event and we already have 6,600 children booked in! There are exciting new exhibitors on board, including the British Scurry Driving Team and a falconry display. We are always looking for more exhibitors, so if you have something exciting around food and farming that you think children will benefit from, please get in touch slauridsen@eastofengland.org.uk

“Our message was simple – to show children how British agriculture produces the breakfast on their plates.”

Peterborough Dinner

A fabulous evening was had by all at the 2016 Peterborough Dinner on the 17th November. It was once again brilliant to see so many members and local businesses in attendance.

The Peterborough Dinner is not only an event to catch up with friends, clients and colleagues but to celebrate the achievements of our members and industry colleagues with the presentation of the Farm Business Awards, Tony Whitsed Award and Long Service Awards.

Farm Business Awards

Class 1

Open class

Winner- CR & CA Jacobs (Moor Farm)
Reserve- Duncan Farrington (Bottom Farm)

Country side Management

Winner- CR & CA Jacobs (Moor Farm)
Special Enterprise- Duncan Farrington (Bottom Farm)

Class 2

Open class

Winner- Peter Moyes (Thornby Farms)
Reserve- Nicholas Watts (Vine House Farm)

Country side Management

Winner Peter Bennett (Babraham Farms)

Special enterprise- Lucy Watts- Bird Seed
Special Merit award- Ed Banks- RTK farming

Class 3

Open class

Winner- Andrew Crossley (Thurlow Estate)
Reserve- William Gribbon (Heygate Farms)

Country side Management

Winner Heygate Farms (Swaffham)
Special enterprise- RTK farming

Young Farmer Class

Winner- Tom Mead (Lynchets Farm)

Reserve- Robert Dean (Crowhall Farm)

Countryside Management Champion

Winner- CR & CA Jacobs (Moor Farm)

Reserve- William Gribbon (Heygate Farms)

Supreme Championship

Winner- Andrew Crossley (Thurlow Estate Farms Ltd)

Reserve- Peter Moyes (Thornby Farms)

Tony Whitsed Award

Presented to the steward or individual that has

continuously contributed to the success of Society events through their hard work and dedication.

Dave Lee- We thank Dave for his service to the Society over the years, Dave has been helping Steward the gates at various shows for a number of years, and is also a key part of the team when it comes to leaflet drops in the local area.

Long Service Award

Presented to Mr Dennis Sewell for 44 years' service as an Agricultural Worker at Shacklewell Lodge Farm

Many thanks to all who attended, the 2017 Dinner will be on the 16th November and we hope to see you there.



Bedfordshire Dinner

On Thursday 9th of February the East of England Agricultural Society co-ordinated the annual Bedfordshire Dinner. It was held at the Bedford Corn Exchange to accommodate the 350 Members whom attended. As always, the event was thoroughly enjoyed by all, thanks to the guest speaker Mr David Gunson and the locally sourced four course meal. The produce supplied exceeded expectations so we would like to give thanks to Woburn Country Foods for the beef, MyFresh Prepared for the vegetables and potatoes, EJ Stocker & Son for the Brussel sprouts, Ouse Valley Dairy for the milk, cream and cheeses and Capers Catering for all their services.

Long Service Awards

The Long Service Award recognises the hard work and dedication of staff that have worked within an agricultural business for 25 or more years. This includes agricultural workers, estate workers, forestry workers and gamekeepers, who have been working either for the same employer for 25+ years or have been on the same holdings with different employers for 25+ years.

The award is open only to members of the East of England Agricultural Society but they can nominate employees should the employee not be a member. Awards will be presented at the Peterborough Dinner on the 16th of November 2017 or if required, at a more private event.

To request a nomination form or for more information please contact Ruth Trollove at RTrollove@EastofEngland.org.uk or 01733 234451. Forms are available on the Society website on the Schedule and Entry forms page.



Cheque presentation



JS, WH and Duncan Burton presenting a cheque to RABI from the sale of lambs in the RABI class at the East of England Smithfield Festival.

Steve Harris Award

On Tuesday 21st February, Steve Harris attended the Council for the Awards of the Royal Agricultural Societies reception at the House of Lords where he formally received his scroll signifying elevation to Fellow of Royal Agricultural Societies.

Steve is a retired HSBC Corporate Agribusiness Manager, and past Chairman of East of England Agricultural Society. He initiated a review of the Agricultural Society's Charitable Objectives and the associated commercial

subsidiary activities and now concentrates mainly on food industry educational outreach. Also a past Trustee of the Royal Agricultural Society of the Commonwealth he participated in two Commonwealth Agricultural Conferences. Steve remains on the Marshal Papworth Scholarship Fund Committee which has supported over 120 African students MSc degree courses at UK universities and 30 students attending an annual practical 10 week course.



Steve Harris receives his FRAGS scroll from English Panel chair Rosie Carne.

“It was once again brilliant to see so many members and local businesses in attendance.”



Cambridgeshire Food and Drink event

Our Chief Executive and Agriculture Development Manager recently visited the Houses of Parliament to take part in a Cambridgeshire Food and Drink event organised by local MP Shailesh Vara. A number of local food producers were present with crisps, bread, beer, cider and meat products. All represented were supported by our Society and the NFU.

Our focus on the day was raising awareness of the Society, our vision for the future and local crops. Central to this was a sugar beet, which not only proved to be a great conversation starter but most of the people we spoke with had never seen a sugar beet and weren't aware that we even had a domestic supply of sugar.

A number of local MP's and members of the House of Lords visited the stand as well as many researchers and assistants for others that couldn't make it on the day. A number of important contacts were made on the day which will be followed up in the coming weeks.

Shuttleworth Lecture

Following a successful reintroduction to the Society calendar last year, the Shuttleworth Lecture returned on the 20th March with guest speaker Professor Simon Pearson, Head of Agri-Food technology at the University of Lincoln.

Simon spoke of the role agricultural technology will take post Brexit, covering the potential new subsidy scheme, lessons to be learned from New Zealand and up and coming technology that is driving research and practical farming forward. The talk was followed by an engaging Q&A session, where Cultiv8 members certainly took centre stage with some enthusiastic and thought provoking questions.

We fully embraced modern technology and live streamed the lecture on the Cultiv8 Facebook page. You can now watch it at www.eastofengland.org.uk on the latest news page.

The Society would like to extend its thanks to Andrew Davies for chairing the lecture and Shuttleworth College for the venue.

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9th–13th August 2017

Equifest is celebrating its 10th birthday in 2017 and it's building up to be another very busy event, with 22 rings and over 800 showing classes. Equifest is truly a show for all horse enthusiasts with classes for the smallest of children on their tiny ponies to the majestic Ridden Heavy Horse classes. There are classes for the young and the young at heart - with one of the most competitive classes of the week being the Fancy Dress class with entire families and their ponies joining in the fun.



The Evening Performances are the highlight of each day - with the Championship classes giving the horses and riders a chance to take centre stage. The Evening Performances take place in the Indoor Arena to a packed and very enthusiastic audience. As well as serious Championship classes there are the more light hearted, but equally competitive Concours D'Elegance classes which give riders of all ages a chance to strut their stuff under the lights of the arena.

For jumping enthusiasts, there is a range of Show Jumping, Working Hunter and "Eventing" type classes on all days of the show, catering for the very novice to the more experienced. The "Horse & Hound" jumping class on Friday evening gives the family pet a chance to

compete as well in a speed relay class - with the horse and dog jumping over a series of fences - where anything could happen.

Equifest is billed as a holiday for horse enthusiasts - where having fun with friends, family and - of course the horse - is the main focus of the week.



“One of Society's best social events during the summer season”

Success for Sassy Lassy at 2016 East of England Smithfield Festival



Claiming the supreme beef championship was Jennifer Hyslop from Girvan, Ayrshire with Sassy Lassy, a 592kg Limousin sired heifer. She went on to sell at the Festival auction for a top price of £10,000.

Leading the way in the sheep was Andrew Bishop. He took the supreme commercial lamb championship with a pair of Beltex lambs, along with the champion lamb carcass.

The younger generation was present in force over both days. Day one saw 120 students from agricultural colleges across the UK compete for the prestigious College Challenge title. Following a very close competition, the trophy

went to Askham Bryan College in York.

The Young Stockperson of the Year final was a highlight on day two. After combining the points for stock handling and knowledge, the junior category was won by Liam Goddard. In the senior category, Hannah White and Hannah Baldwin finished level on points. To decide the winner, they swapped animals and went head-to-head in a tie breaker, with

Hannah Baldwin eventually claiming victory.

For a full set of results, visit www.eoesmithfield.co.uk.

The East of England Agricultural Society

parted ways with the Royal Smithfield Club in February 2017. The show continues on under the original **Winter Stock Festival** title with the new dates of the 1st and 2nd December 2017.

Farming conference

After the success of the previous two years, the 2017 East of England farming conference will return on the 2nd November. The theme for this year's conference will be 'opportunity'. The committee are enthusiastically planning the programme to ensure everyone whom attends is provided with solid guidance and information about the agri-food industry, regardless of what stage in their careers they are in. The theme aims to help our delegates to not only capitalise on opportunities that are present but also to create opportunities for themselves.

The day will follow the same structure of last year with three sessions separated with refreshment breaks and opportunities to network with sponsors, tradestands, speakers and other attendee's.

Society members will receive ticket discounts.

Further information can be found at www.eoefarmingconference.co.uk or by contacting Daisy Frame on 01733 228513 or membership@eastofengland.org.uk.



East of England Arena and Events Centre Relaunch

As of 1st March 2017 we officially relaunched our venue as the East of England Arena & Events Centre. The rebranding more accurately reflects our position and the future direction of the business as a regional and national hub and events venue destination.

In line with this we are investing in the upgrade of our conference and event facilities. This is part of a rolling programme of capital investment to ensure we have the capacity, facilities and support services to meet the demand from event organisers wishing to bring their events to our venue.

We have also launched our brand new website www.YourEventSpace.co.uk

Looking ahead, our focus will be to bring more B2B events to the Arena as well as continue our programme of public and corporate events.

Dean Rees
(Business Development
Manager)



Dean Rees, Richard Tate
and Jason Lunn



This is my first newsletter as General Manager and it's pleasing to say at present the building work is going well and forward bookings for events are also looking positive. At present it looks like the Society AGM and Council Meeting will be our first event in the newly refurbished Peterborough Suite on the 23rd March.

We have just returned from a successful Confex,

the annual event for organisers of business events and conferences. Here we launched 'The East of England Arena and Events Centre', allowing us to promote our main hall, refitted suites and improved menus whilst demonstrating our high level of services and facilities that compete with anything found in London.

You may have noticed that the comedy events are

starting to take off here at the showground. We've had Bill Bailey, Billy Connolly and Jack Whitehall. We are still developing this area of business but they show a lot of potential that helps raise our regional profile. After Jack's success we look forward to Brian Cox in May.

LAMMA thrived once again thanks to Dean Wyers and his team who have been an essential part of this success,

alongside the efforts of the maintenance team.

Finally I'd like to welcome our new Business Development Manager, Dean Rees, who has spent the last 8 years in Dubai working on various events.

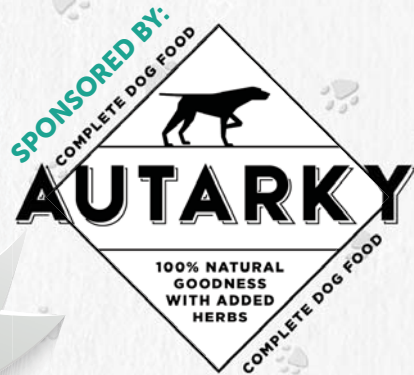
Thank you to all for keeping the momentum going and I look forward to our busiest year yet!

Jason Lunn
(SGS General Manager)

"The building work is going well and forward bookings for events are also looking positive."



A paw-sitively great day out!



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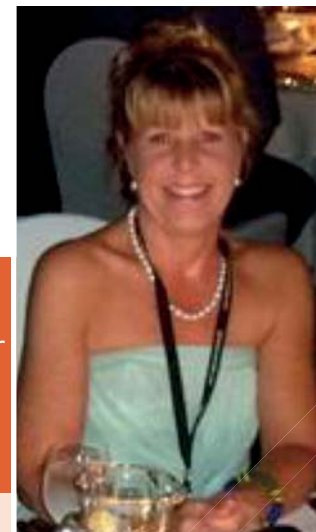
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Incorporating the East of England
Championship Dog Show



Staff News

This newsletter
we put staff member
Sandra Lauridsen in
the hot seat



Name, address, family:

Sandra Lauridsen lives with her husband and two Bichon Frise dogs, in a place called Langtoft near Market Deeping.

Job:

Sandra has been with the society for 10 years and has two main roles; the first is as the Education Manager in which she manages the Kids Country Education Programme. Her second role is to co-ordinate the Marshal Papworth scholarship.

Previous jobs:

Sandra's two previous jobs are as a Business development manager for property lawyers, where she worked for 10 years and prior to this, as a Personnel and trainee manager for (THF) Trust House Fourty.

Favourite part of the job:

"All of it but for kids country it is seeing the children's faces, co-ordinating all the different activities and working with a variety of people from different paths of life."

"My favourite part of Marshal Papworth is finally meeting the students and forming friendships with them during their studies here."

Highlight of your career:

"The success of food and farming day, stepping back and realising I had organised that."

"Going and staying with a

student in Ghana and being able to experience how they live their everyday lives."

Personal achievements:

"When I was younger I won a competition to go to Venice. I was selected as one of the best make-up consultants in London."

"Another achievement is working as an English teacher in Japan."

"It may sound silly but a personal achievement was definitely driving a tractor for the first time."

Passion and hobbies:

"I love gardening and being outside, especially when the weather is beautiful. I love to travel and visit new places. I'm also very passionate about anything creative, such as making my own upholstery. I'm also a valued committee member of my local women's institute."

Things you hate doing:

"Cleaning my car and emptying the dustbins. Who doesn't hate those jobs!"

If you won the lottery, what's the first thing you would buy?

"A small holding."

Guilty pleasure:

"Chocolate, always."

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Dates for your Diary

April:

20th – Cultiv8 Rural crime talk
22nd – Marshal Papworth students arrive

May:

3rd – Happy chick day
18th – Cultiv8 visit to Johnsons of Oldhurst
24th – FBA Farm walk

June:

7th – Harvesting of 'grow your own potatoes'
16th – Wine & Cheese
29th – Taste of Africa
30th – Kids country – food and farming day

July:

7th – 9th Just Dogs Live & Championship Dog Show
19th – Festival of Hunting

August:

9-13th – Equifest

October:

8th – Autumn food & country fair

November:

2nd – East of England Farming Conference
16th – Peterborough Dinner

December:

1st & 2nd – Winter Stock Festival

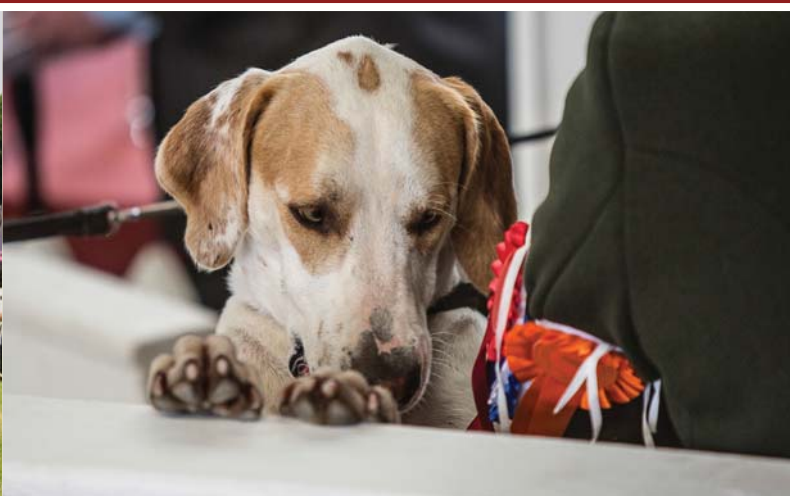
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Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you at the events.

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THE PETERBOROUGH Festival of Hunting

Wednesday 19th July 2017



THE FESTIVAL OF HUNTING IS THE ANNUAL SHOWCASE FOR THE WORLD OF HUNTING BOASTING THE GREATEST GATHERING OF HOUNDS IN THE COUNTRY

2017 will celebrate the 129th Peterborough Royal Foxhound Show as well as the popular Inter Hunt relays where opposing teams of riders race each other over a mirror image set of jumps.

There will be a variety of equine showing classes including In Hand and Ridden, as well as qualifiers for the Horse of the Year Show. Other classes include Ridden Hunters, Working Hunters, Working Hunter Ponies and Coloured Horses and Ponies.

These qualifiers are fiercely competed for and bring the best horses and competitors from all over the country. Also competing at the Festival will be the Harriers, Beagles, Basset Hounds, Draghounds, Bloodhounds and Terriers.

As always, the Show is a day not to be missed with a wide range of fantastic shopping and informative displays ensuring there is something for everyone.



A Celebration of Hunting

East of England Showground, Peterborough, PE2 6XE

**Advance tickets: Adults £12.50 – Gate price £15.00
Society Members FREE & Children under 12 FREE**



Advance ticket booking and information

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