

# **SOCIETY MATTERS**

### NEWARK & NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

## WELCOME TO OUR SOCIETY NEWSLETTER



## FULL SHOW FOR 2022!

#### A MESSAGE FROM SHOW CHAIRMAN, ROGER JACKSON

Once again, it's time to welcome you all to the Newark Vintage Tractor and Heritage Show at Newark Showground on the 5th & 6th November, following on from the great success of last year's show after COVID.

We are pleased to say that we have just over 1100 entries this year including tractors, stationary engines, commercial and military vehicles and Land Rovers. So hopefully something for many enthusiasts to come and see and bring their family along.

I must give a big thank you to the Show Team and the members of the Committee for their hard work in helping to put together what again looks like being a very successful event.

### **AUTUMN EDITION**







# VARIETY, THE SPICE OF SHOWGROUND LIFE!

In spite of the unexpected cancellation of a few substantial events early in 2022, a strong summer has seen Newark Showground host a wide range of pursuit, hobbyist and special interest events, for which this venue has built an enviable reputation over the years.

A record number of weddings, several corporate festivals, team-building events and a new Christian conference welcoming 8,000 campers offer further evidence that confidence is returning close to pre-Covid levels, although we are also making plans to mitigate against the effects of recent economic and political developments on business confidence in 2023.

Newark Showground's exciting 2022 summer calendar included five music festivals, from a Country Music weekend to a Rock festival, and while large audiences attended those, a small collective of remote-control model truck enthusiasts quietly built a scale model town over 2,750sqm to indulge their passion for a few days! Weeks later, thousands flocked to see hundreds of fullsized lorries at Truckfest.



The Great British Rabbit Show, Cactus World Live, Great British Koi Show, JDM Japanese car rally and Kit Car Show were all new additions this summer, alongside several boxing matches, dozens of dog shows, equestrian events and regular Young Driver Training days all confirming that the venue's versatility and central location have massive appeal for local, regional and national event organisers.

TV also acknowledged the Showground's strong tradition for antiques collectors' events, with both Bargain Hunt and Dickinson's Real Deal recording shows here.

Encouragingly, bookings for conferences, meetings, dinners and balls are also seeing a return to previous levels and regular club, society and charity nights are once again squeezing back into the busy calendar. Finally, one of our two Christmas parties has already sold out early as we go to press!





### COUNTRY LAND AND BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

#### The CLA's Rural Powerhouse campaign

The CLA exists to champion, protect and enhance the rural economy. We represent the interests of around 28,000 farmers, landowners and rural businesses across England and Wales.

For several years, we have been running our Rural Powerhouse campaign (www.cla.org.uk/campaigns/ruralpowerhouse/) that is highlighting the importance of boosting prosperity in rural communities.

The rural economy is 18% less productive than the national average. By closing this productivity gap, we could add £43bn to the national GDP. Through the CLA's campaign we are seeking:

- A fully connected countryside
- Profitable and sustainable farming
- A planning system designed for rural communities
- Investment in skills and innovation
- A simpler tax regime

In April, an All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on the Rural Powerhouse published a new report on how to level up the rural economy. It follows one of the most comprehensive inquiries ever to be conducted by a parliamentary body into the health of the rural economy.

The APPG took evidence from over 50 industry bodies, charities, campaign groups, companies, academics, and business leaders. The report concluded that no government in recent memory has had a programme to unlock the economic and social potential of the countryside.

Findings from the report highlighted a broken planning system which has failed those who live and work in rural areas.

Defra, the government department that leads on rural affairs, also lacks the policy levers necessary to make a significant change to the rural economy.

A lack of skills provision is causing rapid 'brain drain' in rural areas, and urgent action is required to address labour shortages and supermarkets' price-setting powers. In addition to this, the government is also backing away from commitments to provide everyone with full-fibre and 4G, plus the current tax system is disincentivising business investment and diversification.

The APPG report is intended to serve as an economic blueprint for the countryside.

Recognising the impact of the pandemic on the nation's finances and the ongoing cost of living crisis, most of the recommendations are low-cost, requiring only a change in policy – and, in many cases, a change in how the government thinks about the countryside.

Rural Britain is not a museum. It is an important part of the national economy that deserves the chance to succeed.

For further information on the CLA visit www.cla.org.uk

Cath Crowther, Country Land and Business Association (CLA) Regional Director.

### APPLY NOW FOR THE SUSTAINABLE FARMING INCENTIVE

The Sustainable Farming Incentive (SFI) is now open for applications via the Rural Payments service.

Through the SFI, farmers will be paid for looking after the natural environment in the course of their farming.

This initial offer will pay farmers for taking care of their soil or assessing the condition of moorland.

#### Get ready to apply

Applications are now open; there is no deadline so farmers can apply whenever it makes sense for them.

www.ruralpayments.service.gov.uk

## NEWARK VINTAGE TRACTOR & HERITAGE SHOW

#### PRESERVING THE PAST FOR THE FUTURE

#### 5th - 6th November Newark Showground

There's something for every generation from exploring one of the largest collections of vintage tractors, machinery, commercial vehicles and more

#### DON'T MISS:

- Celebrating tractor & machinery milestones
- Vintage parts, memorabilia & many more stalls
- Saturday auction
- Sunday SortOut
- Tractor pulling action
- Weekend camping

As a member of the Society, one of the benefits we offer is free entry to the Newark Vintage Tractor & Heritage Show so don't forget your members badge!

This year the show is being held on the 5th and 6th November, where we will be celebrating a number of key anniversary's in the tractor calendar:

- 70 years of the new Fordson Major E1A (1952-58)
- 75 years of the David Brown Cropmaster
- 50 years of the Massey Ferguson 1200
- 75 Years of Series II Field Marshall
- A Celebration of "Nicholson's of Newark" Machinery
- A Celebration of Ruston Engines from Lincoln

We are also delighted to announce we've got a record number of entries, so you can see over 1100 exhibits!

And don't forget, you will have access to the members area located in the Cedric Ford Pavilion. Where you will receive complimentary tea & coffee all day - open from 10am. Not only that, we have a fantastic weekend planned including; camping, food, entertainment and so much more. There is always a great atmosphere and so much to do, here are just a few of the activities to look forward to:

- A live Saturday auction of vintage tractors, vehicles, implements and spare parts – organised by Brown&Co.
- Sunday SortOut you never know what you might find, perhaps that missing piece! If you've got something to sell - book your slot now.
- More stands than ever, selling everything from vintage and memorabilia to sweet treats!
- NEW! Watch live demonstrations of Tractor pulling action a new feature not to be missed.
- The extremely popular 'Lincolnshire Remote Controlled Truckers.'

We look forward to seeing you at the show!

## MIDLANDS AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING APPRENTICESHIP AWARDS IS BACK - SPREAD THE WORD!



Midlands Machinery Show continuing to back the next generation of agricultural engineers

We are delighted to announce that the Midlands Agricultural Engineering Apprenticeship Awards is returning for its sixth year at the show – 16th and 17th November 2022.

The apprentice awards were originally launched by the Society, in a bid to support and inspire young apprentices, who now more than ever, deserve new and exciting opportunities to develop their abilities and confidence they need as they head into their future careers.

Supporting aspiring agricultural engineers is vital for the future of the industry and this year's show will be recognising up and coming talent within the sector. Each successful applicant will receive £250, the first of a two-year instalment totalling £500. Entries are open until 14th October 2022 to agricultural apprentices aged 17-25 who are living and working in the Midlands region.

Applications are now open, and we encourage Midlands based agricultural engineering apprentices to apply to have the opportunity to be selected. Applications are made by completing a downloadable application form from the Midlands Machinery Show website, which also outlines entry requirements. Once completed please email back to: harriet.canovan@newarkshowground.com by 14th October 2022.

So, help us spread the word if you know of any apprentices that fit the criteria that would benefit from receiving £500, get them to download the application form today!

We hope the awards will recognise the wealth of talent and highlight the career options within agricultural engineering!





#### WEDNESDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2022 - 09:30-14:45 THE PUMPING HOUSE, BRAKE LANE, OLLERTON, NEWARK NG22 9HQ

This event will include a two course lunch and talks from this year's inspirational speakers: Liv Garfield CBE Chief Executive of Severn Trent, Charlotte Garbutt, a farmer and former County Chair of Lincolnshire Young Farmers, and local lady and adventurer Fiona Thornewill MBE.

This event is being held in support of The Motor Neurone Disease Association (MND)

To book your place please contact Sarah Duxbury at Lincoinshire Agricultural Society: sduxbury@lincoinshireshowground.co.uk

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30TH SEPTEMBER

TICKET PRICE:

£28+VAT





16 & 17 November 2022





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# Driving efficiency within your business

The Midlands Machinery Show returns with a focus on new innovations to tackle the challenges farming businesses face today



See the latest equipment and technology that will help you increase yield and profitability



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Watch live machinery demonstrations including clean power technologies

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## HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE SOCIETY

We would like to express our great sorrow and sadness at the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, an inspiration to the nation for so long and always a keen supporter of agriculture and rural life. Our thoughts and prayers are with the King and the Royal Family. The staff of Newark & Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society offer our sincerest condolences.





### **PUMPKIN & BACON SOUP**

The soft, sweet flesh of the Crown Prince pumpkin is perfect for this silky soup, butternut or onion squash are good alternatives

Prep:10 mins Cook:1 hr and 10 mins Serves 4 Ingredients

- 1 tbsp vegetable oil
- 50g butter
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 150g maple-cured bacon, cut into small pieces
- ½ Crown Prince pumpkin or onion squash, peeled, deseeded and cut into medium chunks (you need about 500g pumpkin flesh)
- 11 chicken stock
- 100ml double cream
- 3 tbsp pumpkin seeds, toasted
- Maple syrup, for drizzling

#### Method

#### STEP 1

In a large, heavy-bottomed pan, heat the oil with 25g butter. Add the onion and a pinch of salt and cook on a low heat for 10 mins or until soft. Add 60g bacon and cook for a further 5 mins until the bacon releases its fat. Then increase the heat to medium, add the pumpkin and stock and season. Bring to the boil, then reduce the heat to a simmer, cover with a lid and cook for about 40 mins until the pumpkin is soft. Pour in the cream, bring to the boil again and remove from the heat. Set aside some of the liquid, then blend the remaining pumpkin until smooth and velvety, adding liquid back into the pan bit by bit as you go (add more liquid if you like it thinner). Strain through a fine sieve, check the seasoning and set aside.

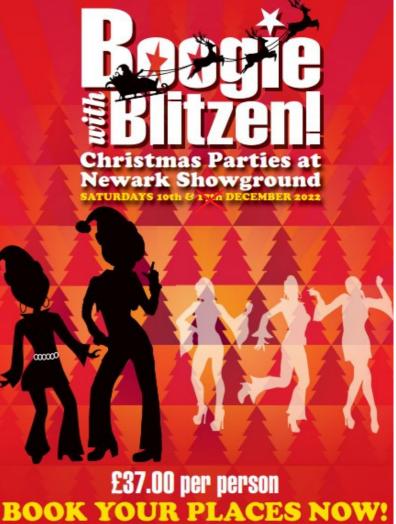
#### STEP 2

Melt the remaining butter in a pan over a high heat and fry the rest of the bacon with black pepper for 5 mins. Divide the bacon between four bowls, reheat the soup and pour over. To serve, sprinkle over the pumpkin seeds and drizzle with maple syrup.

### BOOK YOUR CHRISTMAS PARTY AT NEWARK SHOWGROUND:

10th DEC





Call: 01636 705796 Email: xmas@newarkshowground.com www.newarkshowground.com



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

6 OCT - 7 OCT

Newark International Antiques & Collectors Fair

9 OCT

The Newark Championship Pigeon Show

9 OCT

The Other Partizan 2022

23 OCT

'Normous Newark Autojumble

24 OCT Runway Monday

28 OCT

**NHS Blood Donation** 

29 OCT - 30 OCT Newark Festive Gift & Food Show

For more event information in October and November, go to: <u>https://www.newarkshowground.com/whats-on/</u>

# Become a member of the NNAS

Our members are vital to the lifeblood of our society and by becoming a member you'll be supporting our charitable objectives - to promote, celebrate and champion agriculture across the Midlands region.

Check out the benefits of becoming a member by visiting:

www.nottinghamshirecountyshow.com/membership

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## **STAFF NEWS**

#### Meet the new members at the Showground!



Mark Latham has joined the events team as the operations manager. Mark has been in the events and hospitality industry for over 25 and hopes to be able to bring his experience and enthusiasm to this wonderful showground. Outside the office Mark likes to spend time with his family and friends, although now and again you might find him on a golf course...hopefully not in the bunker!

Rob Fulton has joined the events team as the Site Operations and Facilities Manager. Rob is joining us after a full career in the Armed Forces, followed by 8 years as a Compliance Manager at a licenced aerodrome, where his experience in operational management and health and safety will help in the facilitation of events and the infrastructure projects of the showground.



We have 2 new members that have joined the grounds team! Lee and Adam, who both joined us over summer. They have already got stuck in getting all the events at the Showground ready!

Adam was away at the time of publication

#### **MEMBERS FEEDBACK SURVEY**

If you haven't already please will in our members survey, to help us improve our membership:

www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/72T67X2