Beds YFC Weekly Update During COVID-19: 13th May 2020

Hello All,

I hope you are all safe and well on what would have been the build up to rally week. It's great to see all the virtual activities you've got planned – I've spotted 3 quizzes and a bingo night happening!

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Please make sure that Club Officers continue to consider the members' safety and wellbeing. A number of large digital meetings have been targeted by hackers. Full details on providing a safe digital environment can be found on the NFYFC website > YFC at home > stay connected.

News from NFYFC

Seasonal labour

HOPS has launched a new App called Picker, which is aimed at helping farmers recruit temporary labour and to support UK workers to find these jobs – especially during the Covid-19 pandemic. Interested farmers and applicants can <u>register on the site now</u>.

The Government has also launched a <u>Pick for Britain website</u>, which is a joint public sector and industry initiative to bring together those who are looking for work on UK farms over the harvest period with recruiters who have roles to fill. The website signposts people to the jobs available and provides information about this type of work. HOPS, which is owned by NFYFC, is one of the labour providers listed on the site and links to their UK recruitment scheme are available. Enquiries about the hub can be sent by email and there is also a <u>Find A Job</u> site.

Something to keep you busy

The University of Birmingham is doing an online questionnaire study looking at adolescent wellbeing and physical activity during the Coronavirus. They are looking for as many people aged between 13 and 19 to take part as possible. It will take about 30 minutes to complete the questionnaire.

You can find more information about the study on this link: https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/wellbeinginadolescentscoronavirus-InformationSheet/

To complete the survey, please follow this link: https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/wellbeinginadolescentsduringthecoronavirus/

If you are younger than 16, a parent/guardian will also need to provide consent for you to take part. You can find the link to this here: https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/wellbeinginadolescentsduringthecoronavirus-parentalconsent/

Any questions please get in touch with Laura Wright by email: LJW997@student.bham.ac.uk

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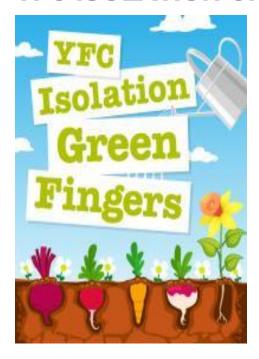
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YFC ISOLATION CHALLENGES



Open to all the membership – past, present and future YFC members Challenge opens: Challenge closes:

8th May 14th May

Challenge final:

Five of the best entries will go through to the Challenge Final Day on 6 June. The overall winner will be decided by a public vote on Facebook and Instagram.

How to take part:

YFC members are invited to share their gardening or floral achievements during lockdown. This could be by creating a spring vase of flowers, sharing your vegetable patch or showing off a carefully nurtured flowerbed.

Take a photo of your floral display or gardening accomplishments and share it on social media.

Photographs should be shared on social media
 (Instagram/Facebook/Twitter) alongside the
 hashtag #YFCatHome - please remember to tag @NFYFC in your post
 so we can see your picture!

NFYFC's tags are **@NFYFC** (Instagram and Twitter) and National Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs (Facebook).

ARTWORK CHALLENGE

Artistic work in any medium

Open to all the membership

Theme:

Isolation

Challenge opens:

15 May

Challenge closes:

21 May

Challenge final:

Five of the best entries will go through to the Challenge Final Day on Saturday 6 June. The winner will be decided by a public vote on Facebook and Instagram.

How to take part:

Members are invited to a share a piece of artwork they have created during their time in isolation.

The theme can be interpreted in many ways and NFYFC encourages members to showcase their talents using their own choice of canvas and materials (painting/pencil drawing/collage/ printing etc...) all artwork welcome!

Photographs of your masterpieces should be shared on social media
 (Instagram/Facebook/Twitter) alongside the hashtag #YFCathome - please remember to
 tag @NFYFC in your post so we can see your masterpiece!

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