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Funded courses for this winter:

LATEST NROSO EVENT - TIMING, TARGETS AND WATER *10 CPD POINTS & FUNDED*

8th December 2009 or 16th February 2010 at The Crown Lodge Hotel, Outwell.
Morning sessions 8.30am - 12.30pm or afternoon sessions 1pm - 5pm. Lunch will be provided.

Timing: will include: growth stages, mode of action, droplet size, nozzles, coverage, penetration retention, logistics and efficiency
Targets: other targets using pesticides except the normal crop sprayer i.e. knapsack around the yard, rodenticides, grain store, dipping, fogging, etc. **Water:** monitoring pesticides in water, causes, removal, solutions. **Topical update**



SAFEGUARDING GRASSWEED PRODUCTS FOR FUTURE USE with Liz Tomkinson and Andrew Rhodes of Dow Agrosiences

16th December 2009, 9.30am - 12.30pm or 1.30pm - 4.30pm at The Crown Lodge Hotel, Outwell

Several products are being found in water at levels that exceed the acceptable limit. One of these active ingredients is propyzamide - the active in Kerb flo, an important product when growing oilseed rape. We will look at what is being done to properly steward the product from the manufacturer point of view, as well as what can be done on farm, in order to reduce this from happening. Broadway Star is a new herbicide for use in winter wheat to control bromes, ryegrass, wild oats and broad leaved weeds. We will look at anti-resistance strategies and how important it is to steward new active ingredients with respect to grassweed control.

LANTRA AWARDS LEVEL 2 - HEALTH & SAFETY IN AGRICULTURE, 15th January or 9th February 2010, in Outwell.

A one day course for employees. At the end of the session trainees will sit an exam to gain the Lantra Level 2 qualification. Covering: Responsibilities, accidents & machinery; The workplace, electricity & maintenance work; Working with or near others; Staying healthy; Other work activities; Livestock, first aid & accident reporting

IOSH MANAGING SAFELY, 26th-29th January & 4th February 2010 at The Crown Lodge Hotel, Outwell

Managing Safely is a course for employers, managers and supervisors in any sector and any organisation. It's designed to provide delegates with the information they need to know to help them handle health and safety in their workplace. The aim of the course is to "ensure that safety requirements are appreciated by employers and people employed as managers and enable them to review their own systems for safety, introducing new controls or implementing changes as appropriate to make their workplace safer". The flexible new high impact programme covers all the main health and safety issues, and includes a session tackling the environment. We plan to hold it over 5 days to give candidates more of a hand holding experience through the course, exam & project.

LEGAL UPDATE DAY with Greenwoods Solicitors LLP 28th January 2010 at Timbers, Lynn Rd, Fincham.

Renewable Energy: Wind Energy and Anaerobic Digestion Opportunities Andrew Watkin and Nick Barber from the Carter Jonas Energy Team explore the issues surrounding wind energy development projects and anaerobic digestion schemes - what they are, what makes a good site/opportunity and the potential financial returns? How do you get started in renewable energy? Cheryl McCready, Senior Solicitor at Greenwoods Solicitors LLP talks you through the legal issues faced by landowners. Cheryl answers your questions surrounding joint venture schemes, options and lease agreements and the easements required to make renewable energy work.

What's Going on in Rural Parts? - A Legal Update Graham Cooper, Associate Director and Head of Property Litigation and Cheryl McCready, Senior Solicitor at Greenwoods Solicitors LLP provide a general legal update on issues relating to Agricultural Tenancies and other areas of interest, such as the latest on common land and village greens, public access to land and drains and ditches.

From Cows to Combine Harvesters - A Safety Update Robert Starr, Associate at Greenwoods Solicitors LLP provides an update of current issues and developments in Health and Safety legislation affecting the agricultural industry, including the Health and Safety Offences Act 2008, sentencing proposals, hot topics and recent cases.

Farms: Efficient Models for Ownership and upon Relationship Breakdown Stephanie Walmsley, Partner at Family Law Consultancy LLP, offers advice on the following areas: What is Matrimonial Property? The distinction on property acquired pre, during and post marriage, and property acquired through gift, inheritance or succession. How the family courts deal with farms and landed estates, and the effect of divorce on succession. Valuation of agricultural land and farming assets in family law Farming business structures and their implications in family law; sole proprietor, partnership, limited company, share or contract enterprises. Formal and informal tenancy arrangements. Keeping the family business intact. Pre-Nuptial Agreements - do they work?

What You Need to Know - An Essential Employment Law Update John Macaulay, Head of Employment & Employment Benefits at Greenwoods Solicitors LLP, will take you through the key employment law developments of 2009 and will look ahead at what lies in store for employers in 2010.

KWS PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT FOCUS (KWS.pdf) 3rd February 2010 at KWS UK Ltd, Thriplow, Nr Royston, Herts

The KWS.pdf, is a six hectare site close to the KWS UK offices in Thriplow. As a single site for the experimentation and demonstration of the UK crop portfolio, we hope to provide visitors with an insight into the breeding and trialling process prior to a variety going onto farm. Uniquely, the field will be in operation for at least four years so that the four crop species may be grown in complete rotation to simulate typical field situations. In 2009/10, we have a total of 16 trials covering all crops. We have two sowing dates for oilseed rape as well as a seed treatment trial. For maize we will be drilling Bioenergy varieties and for sugar beet we will be drilling our main portfolio as well as some up-and-coming varieties. We will have large cereal demonstration blocks of wheat and barley as well as a yellow rust trial, a lodging demonstration and a trial testing new spraying technology. In addition to this, we are testing milling wheat varieties with various doses of Nitrogen to test their ability to develop high levels of protein from N applications. The aims of KWS.pdf are to: Understand the performance of existing and pipeline KWS varieties both in the field and as end products; Compare the performance of KWS material with other products available in or near to market; Understand how KWS varieties perform year-on-year in typical UK-farm rotations

IDENTIFY MARKET RISK AND SECURE THE GRAIN MARGINS: FUTURES AND OPTIONS

3rd 10th & 24th February 2010 at Timbers, Lynn Rd, Fincham. Offre & Demande Agricole (ODA), a French company newly located in Bartlow near Cambridge. We offer an independent training, information and advice service to arable farmers on price risk management. Our training programme starts with a 3 day course designed to give farmers and those who regularly purchase agricultural raw materials the tools they need to use the futures and options markets. The sessions include use of practical examples to help understand the concepts and begin to feel comfortable using the markets. **Objectives** Enjoy the world of futures and options, to understand the mechanisms; Set up a blanket and set a guaranteed price; Optimize coverage; Using Options and set a minimum price guaranteed; Put into practice with many years.



AN INTRODUCTION TO THE CRAFT OF BEEKEEPING, 3 sessions 25th February, 6th & 27th April 2010

'When you understand that 80% of the plants throughout the world need to be pollinated by insects, with 85% of those relying almost exclusively on the Honey Bee, some 176,000 species in all, then you begin to get the picture as to why the honey bee is so important to our food supply and environment.' This will run over 3 days with Terry & Lorraine Gibson. Day one will be an indoor theory session at The Crown Lodge Hotel, Outwell including lunch looking at - The Hive & its occupants; basic equipment; pest, diseases & other problems; the beekeepers year. The next 2 practical sessions will be approx 2 hours each & will be held at the tutors apiaries near Kings Lynn to give students the chance to experience dealing with live bees as well as learn more about this fascinating subject.

BASIS FOUNDATION AWARD IN AGRONOMY Feb 22nd, Mar 12th, Apr 9th, May 7th, Oct 28th & Nov 12th 2010 in Outwell

This course is a sound introduction to agronomy, integrated crop protection and crop nutrition. For some delegates with limited crop experience and knowledge it serves as a preliminary course for the BASIS Certificate in Crop Protection (Agriculture) Course. For others, who have a role which will not involve giving agronomy and crop protection advice, it is a standalone course providing them with a level of understanding and knowledge appropriate for their work. This is a diverse group including some farm staff, quality assurance officers, machinery manufacturer personnel and others. The BASIS Foundation qualification (certificated), awarded to those successful in the examination, would be of particular value to those for whom this may be an end point in agronomy training. It would also serve to encourage those considering progression to other courses such as the BASIS Certificate in Crop Protection and FACTS.

Why not join one of our highly successful FUNDED Agronomy Groups?

Both groups meet 5 times per year. Last year - 15 NRoSO/33 BASIS cpd for Combinables & 15 NRoSO/26 BASIS cpd for Potatoes

COMBINABLE CROPS

With Phil Strachan & Steve Baldock of Prime Agriculture

POTATO ENTERPRISE

With David Hudson of David Hudson Potato Services

To give you some ideas, here are some more courses we could fund for you – Tractor Driving, Ploughing, Tyres & Traction, Welding, Tractor Mounted Flail, Agronomy Updates, B+E Getting ready for your Trailer Test, Combine - settings & maintenance plus an in-field session, Food Hygiene, HACCP, Grain Drying, Marketing, Computer sessions 1-2-1 or in groups, Accounts Training, Office Skills, Management Skills – Negotiations, Presentation, Staff Appraisals, Health & Safety, Risk Assessment, Carbon Planning, BRC Auditing, Top/Soft Fruit events & visits, Pruning, Tree Surveys, **to name but a few!**

NOVEMBER	Continual Professional Development (CPD) Points for	NRoSO	BASIS
10	Practical Cattle Lameness Workshop – see overleaf for full details		
12	Pruning Shrubs & Trees - with Peter Fields, Bradenham Halls Head Gardener		
12 & 13	First Aid at Work - Requalification		
17 - 19	First Aid at Work - *NEW* Initial 3 day course		
24 & 25	Chainsaw – Maintenance & Crosscutting - Lantra Integrated Assessment		
DECEMBER			
1	6-hr – Emergency First Aid at Work *NEW*		2cpd
8	Timing, Targets and Water - Voluntary Initiative/NRoSO course full details overleaf	Applied for	Applied for
10 & 11	First Aid at Work - Requalification		
14 - 16	First Aid at Work - *NEW* Initial 3 day course		
16	Safeguarding Grassweed Products for Future Use - see overleaf for full details	Applied for	Applied for
17	PA4 – Granule Application	12cpd	12cpd
17	Cylinder Safety - Oxy-Acetylene Propane & Ethylene– Full day course with Alan Machin		
JANUARY			
6	PA1 - foundation module	12cpd	12cpd
12	PA6 – Knapsack Sprayer	12cpd	12cpd
14	MIG Welding – full day course with Alan Machin		
15	Lantra H&S Level 2 in Agriculture – 1 day course with multi-choice exam	22cpd	tbn
19 - AM	Manual Handling – ½ day morning session		
19 - PM	Working at Height and using Ladders – ½ day afternoon session		
21	Food Hygiene for Arable Farms - to satisfy supermarket assurance schemes		
21	PA2 – Ground Crop Hydraulic Nozzle Sprayer	12cpd	12cpd
21 & 22	Towing Trailers/Horse Boxes - to add +E to DVLA licences gained after 1997		
21 & 22	Chainsaw – Maintenance & Crosscutting - Lantra Integrated Assessment		
22	6-hr – Emergency First Aid at Work *NEW*		2cpd
26-29 Jan & 4 Feb	IOSH Managing Safely - see overleaf for full details	Applied for	Applied for
26	PA4 – Granule Application	12cpd	12cpd
27	Abrasive Wheel - am & pm sessions available, safety & use in accordance with PUWER Regs '98		
28	Legal Update Day with Greenwoods Solicitors LLP - see overleaf for full details		
28	Chainsaw Refresher – 1 day refresher to comply with current H&S regulations		
FEBRUARY			
5	Fire Marshall – am & pm sessions available covering theory plus a practical fire extinguisher session.		
8	PA1 - foundation module	12cpd	12cpd
8 & 9	Chainsaw – Maintenance & Crosscutting - Lantra Integrated Assessment		
9	Lantra H&S Level 2 in Agriculture – 1 day course with multi-choice exam	22cpd	tbn
10	Abrasive Wheel - am & pm sessions available, safety & use in accordance with PUWER Regs '98		
10	PA2 – Ground Crop Hydraulic Nozzle Sprayer	12cpd	12cpd
12	6-hr – Emergency First Aid at Work *NEW*		2cpd
16 - AM	Working at Height and using Ladders – ½ day morning session		
16 - PM	Manual Handling – ½ day afternoon session		
16	Timing, Targets and Water - Voluntary Initiative/NRoSO course full details overleaf	Applied for	Applied for
17	Pest Control – Rats & Mice – Lantra Awards Integrated Training & Assessment (ITA)	6cpd	12cpd
18	MIG Welding – full day course with Alan Machin		
22 Feb onwards	BASIS Foundation Award in Agronomy - *NEW* see overleaf for full details	Applied for	Applied for
25	An Introduction to the Craft of Beekeeping - see overleaf for full details	Applied for	Applied for
25	Pest Control – Rabbits & Moles - Lantra Awards ITA covering the safe use of traps and Aluminium Phosphides	6cpd	12cpd



In future, for professional LGV and PCV drivers just holding a driving licence will not be sufficient for someone who wishes to drive these vehicles for a living. The Driver Certificate of Professional Competence (Driver CPC) came into force across all European Union member states on 10th Sept 2009. All drivers will need to complete a minimum of 35 hours of periodic training within every five year period for as long as you wish to continue driving professionally. This can be one 7 hour day per year, or 5 days in year 5. The training will require attendance at courses but will not require drivers to take or pass further examinations.

Courses we can offer you this winter are – LGV Essentials, Load Stability & Security, Lorry Loading incorporating a forklift or HIAB refresher, Emergency First Aid at Work, Fire Awareness & Prevention incorporating fire marshall training & Manual Handling. We have tried to take a practical view on this & aim to give you two certificates for the price of one. Most companies train in first aid, manual handling, forklift & fire safety we aim to offer those courses through driver cpc so that the time spent doing them counts towards your 35 hrs.

To help with your budgets why not get a plan in place with us to do 1 course a year for the next 5 years?