NATIONAL FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS

Competitions Programme 2015-16

Status FINAL
March 2015
Double Area Eliminator

NFYFC Weathervane

26 & Under
RULES

Competition Aim

To encourage the members to showcase their creativity, artistic and design skills

Learning outcomes

Planning, research, design, creativity, imagination and presentation.

1. **DATE AND VENUE**
   1.1. After the Area Finals, the National Final will be held at Competitions Day at the County Showground, Stafford on Saturday 2nd July 2016.

2. **REPRESENTATION**
   2.1. Counties may enter one exhibit per 600 members or part thereof.

   2.2. Areas will be represented in the final by **TWO (Double Area Eliminator)** teams per 3,000 members or part thereof.

3. **ELIGIBILITY**
   3.1. Competitors to be 26 years of age or under on 1 September 2015 and a full member of a Club affiliated to the NFYFC.

   3.2. Competitors are required *in person* to produce on the day of each round of the competition (County/Area/Regional and National) their current and signed Membership Card, with suitable photograph, or a fine of **£20** will be imposed for non-production.

4. **PROCEDURE**
   4.1. Competitors will be required to produce a weathervane to be made out of re-cycled metal, suitable for purpose, to the theme "Tomorrows World".

   4.2. Materials used should be predominantly **recycled** to minimise cost and environmental impact.

   4.3. The Competitor should pay particular attention to the standard of finish of their exhibit. It should be suitable to be mounted outside (i.e. weatherproof). At the NFYFC Final exhibits will be displayed on a solid floor and competitors should display their weathervanes mounted on a freestanding base to demonstrate full working order.

   4.4. The maximum size of the weathervane including the base and mountings must not exceed 1m x 1m x 1m and a total weight of 15kg.

   4.5. Prior to the competition, before commencement of any work on the weathervane, members should be aware of potential health and safety risks and use all appropriate Personal Safety Equipment. The Safety of people viewing and touching the finished weathervane should also be considered, Eg: avoid sharp edges.

4.6. **All exhibits must be the unaided work of the competitors. Competitors must make themselves available throughout the judging to answer the Judges questions and explain the processes and story behind the production of the weathervane.**

4.7. Competitors must accept responsibility for transporting their exhibits to the final as per the instructions which will be issued and to make arrangements for collection of the exhibits **after 4.30pm.** All exhibits must be removed on the day of the competition. **The winning weathervane will be kept by NFYFC for further promotion, if NFYFC are unable to use the weathervane it will be returned to the competitor.**

4.8. A label (example below) should be securely attached to the reverse side of the exhibit (not on view).

Name: _____

County: _____

Membership Number: _____

5. **SCALE OF MARKS**

Use of recycled materials	20
Quality of workmanship	20
Originality	20
Suitability for purpose	20
Overall sculpture and finish	20
Total	**100**

6. **AWARDS**

6.1. NFYFC Craft Trophy and NFYFC Prize Card to winner.

6.2. NFYFC Prize Cards to competitors placed 2nd and 3rd.

6.3. NFYFC Certificate of Achievement will be awarded to competitors placed 1st – 10th

7. ***NOTES:***

7.1. **IMPORTANT**: Competitors are reminded to read carefully the General Rules relating to National Competitions if they are taking part in this Competition. These are available from NFYFC or your County Office.

7.2. This competition **WILL** carry points towards the NFU Trophy.

7.3. Members will be disqualified if they are not at the Presentation of Awards without prior permission being granted.