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Ramsbury Estate Tour 2017

Thank you to everyone who joined us for a tour of the Ramsbury Estate on the 21st June 2017. We were very fortunate with the weather, being one of the hottest days of the year. We had a lovely tour of some of the Estate seeing arable crops & woodland. Arriving back at the farm we had a tour of Brewery & were offered a selection of the beer brewed on site. This was followed by a tour of the Distillery with a gin & vodka sample at the end. To finish the evening all the members enjoyed a BBQ in the grounds.



Discount price for TKMR Members



The Official Construction and Agricultural Equipment Security and Registration Scheme

What are you waiting for? Your equipment to be stolen!

CESAR – The Right Track

- A CESAR registered machine is **4** times less likely to be stolen*.
- A CESAR registered machine is **6** times more likely to be recovered if stolen**.
- Over 200,000 machines are now registered and protected with the CESAR Scheme.
- Visible and covert markings - a real deterrent.
- No annual fees - invest just once in marking and registering your equipment for life.
- Potential for lower insurance premiums of up to 20% and reduced excesses - CESAR is approved by all major insurers.
- Quick police access to the CESAR database - providing an instant trace on stolen equipment via Datatag's 24/7 UK Secure Contact Centre.
- Recognition by local and national government agencies - easier to get your equipment authorised to work on major construction sites.
- No recovery fees for stolen vehicles and plant.
- The first industry-wide official scheme - backed by the Plant Theft Action Group.
- CESAR is supported by the Home Office and the National Police Chiefs' Council (NPCC formerly ACPO).





CESAR it or lose it!

*compared with statistics produced by AEA **Source PAVU

Powered by   

LJ Cannings are pleased to announce that they are now level 3 Datatag installers.

This means they can not only fit Cesar systems to new Polaris machines, but they can also tag all makes and models of agricultural and plant machinery, including trailers and Land Rovers regardless of age.

NFU insurance along with many of the leading insurance companies can offer up to 12.5% discount for Datatag Cesar registered machines.

Please contact the Office for more information & price.



Free LPG Tank Installation

Free LPG tank installation with **JGas** when you switch. Their latest offer for domestic LPG switching is a fixed price of 33 pence per litre fixed for 12 months, with 250 litres of free gas (minimum consumption of 3000 litres).

If you would like any more information please do contact the Ring Office on 01635 285405.

Unit to Let

Contractors Hire have an industrial unit to let at Tidmarsh. The unit has an office, w/c & workshop area. Available end of July.

If anyone is interested or would like more information please contact the Office.

Treatment & Additives

We can supply Anti-Waxing agents, fuel treatment additives, and storage tank filtration systems & wrap trap filters for heating oil tanks.

For individual prices please contact The Ring Office.

Grain Drier Price 2017

JGas's Grain Drier price for the 2017 harvest season, will be fixed at 27 pence per litre for the whole season. If anyone would be interested in LPG Gas for next year's harvest please do contact the Ring office for more information.

Grass Available

We have a Member who has 100 acres plus of standing grass available in the Reading area.

Please contact the Office for more information & price.

Slug Pellet Testing

Thinking ahead we are able to organise slug pellet testing through our Training companies.

Please do get in touch if your test is due and we will liaise with our Training companies to find suitable dates.

TKMR Members Handbook

The format for the Handbook will be very similar to the previous one with the main alteration being the size which will be A5 portrait opposed to A6. It will again include up to date articles, rules & regulations and advice for members along with details of our services and the training courses we can supply through our 3 training members.

As mentioned above the booklet will be A5 but for the same advert cost as last time so we would really appreciate your support once again. Our hope is the booklet will be more readily seen on member's desks amongst other paperwork! If you would like to place an advert the rates are as follows:

Members rate for – Full page £175 + VAT
Half page £100 + VAT
Non-Members for - Full page is £200 + VAT
Half page £125 + VAT

If you could send adverts as a jpeg file please, full page needs to be A5 size and portrait and a half page will be A6 size but in landscape please.



We encourage the Member's adverts to display the Machinery Ring contact details to show unity and transparency in member to member dealings. Your gesture in doing this is much appreciated although this is not in any way a compulsory requirement. If you are interested please do let Sandi or Camilla know as soon as possible and send completed artwork and any questions to camilla@tkmr.co.uk. We simply could not produce the Handbook without sponsorship raised through advertising and very much hope you will be able to support us again.

Job Vacancy



On behalf of a client, Savills are looking for someone to partner, either on a Contract Farming or Share Farming Agreement for 200 acres of grassland near Henley on Thames, Oxfordshire. The farm currently fattens 120 store cattle each year which are sold through Thame Market at 12 – 18 months. The farm has a full complement of buildings, implements and equipment, further details of which are available on request.

The client is seeking a suitable partner or contractor who could either continue the current farming enterprise or look at new ventures, and would consider other uses than fattening cattle. The terms of any potential agreement are negotiable, with a greater emphasis on the working relationship.

For more information or to apply please contact Tom Cackett on 07970 496 740 or tom.cackett@savills.com. All applications will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Laverstoke Park Compost

Laverstoke Park has a 7 acre purpose built compost site, producing peat free, clean, quality compost to the highest **PAS100** standards. The CO2 levels and temperatures are checked every day and the temperature is kept below 65°C to keep the good bacteria and fungi from being destroyed. Our compost is not sterilised or treated with any chemicals but is 'alive' full of beneficial microbes which we consistently test in our licensed Soil Food Web laboratory. These microbes work on the soil around the roots, creating structure to help root growth and water retention whilst freeing up nutrients.

Compost is available for collection from our site Monday to Saturday morning between 8.30am and 4.45pm. The current grades and prices are below. We accept green waste.

We also work closely with a network of hauliers and companies offering delivery and spreading services. Please contact us on 01256 772812 if you require any further information. For bigger long term commitments please contact us for wholesale prices.

GRADE	AMOUNT	PRICE
1-25mm	1 tonne bags	£50
1-25mm	Bucket Load approx. 3tons	£100
1-10mm	20 tonne or more	£8 per tonne
10-25mm	20 tonne or more	£5 per ton



News & Offers



ANGLIA FARMER MEMBER DISCOUNTS FOR FARMPLAN PRODUCTS from January 2017

The below discounts are available on core products and modules:

Package	Purchases	Support
Accounts / Property	10%	10%
Livestock (Sheep / Cattle)	10%	10%
Earnie Payroll	10%	10%
Gatekeeper Cropping	10%	0%
Hardware	FOC Carriage	

NOTE - Discounts do not apply to AE modules or AE Suite in Earnie
NOTE- Contact FP ref Individual Members Support discount eligibility

For more information or to obtain a quote please contact The Ring Office on 01635 285405.

Phone Contracts through AF

Thames & Kennet Machinery Ring members continue to benefit from working with Anglia Farmers.

As our relationship with Anglia Farmers (AF) progresses we are finding more and more ways in which our members can benefit. Be it building materials, water or electricity contracts or just a great price on some toilet paper!

One key area for AF, which we are pleased to be able to offer our members is **telecoms** – business grade mobiles phone, landline and broadband contracts – the deals we can access via AF have shown fantastic cost reductions for members, but also come with a level of day to day support you just cannot get elsewhere. AF offers a wide range of contract options on Vodafone, EE and O2. All their rates are unique, and typically reduce costs by around 40%, sometimes by much more.

If you would like to see what they can do for you please find out when your current contract ends, and get in touch when you would like us to arrange a quote – we will liaise with the AF team on your behalf and get your bespoke deal put together. To get a detailed cost analysis you need to send us a fully itemised bill per line or mobile. If you like the results of the analysis, the deal can be set up with a minimum of fuss, and you will then have access to the dedicated support desk at AF for the life of the contract. The team is very helpful and ready to work with you.

Seed Orders

Order Autumn Seed early to guarantee supply.

The possibility of smaller yields is worrying some seed processors. Many varieties will sell out earlier than predicted. This year we feel the earlier you place a seed order, the cheaper it will be.

AF have access to just about every variety of Oilseed Rape, Barley, Wheat, Oats, Rye and Beans for autumn planting.

AF have access to the widest range of catch/cover/greening crops which are greatly increasing in popularity year on year.

Fertiliser News from AF

Post-harvest / pre-seeding nutrient applications

AF advise to place orders for the following products, so that delivery and/or applications can start to be organised:

Granular P & K straight and blended fertilisers, Limex, Quarried Lime, Gypsum, Fibrophos (all grades), P-Grow & Oilseed Rape starter fertilisers.

CF & Yara have both increased prices for AN & sulphur products. Ammonium Nitrate prices have now increased by 10% since new season terms released in May.

Fuel Card Prices

AF



**111.77
plus Levy**

Our Members are still getting great deals on fuel card prices. The AF fuel card this week (10/07/2017) is 111.77. At the pump the price is 113.99 (10/07/2017). There are other cards available Esso and Shell to name a couple. For more information please call the Office.

Key Fuels App

For those Members that have taken out a fuel card with us already there is an app called Key Fuels which you can download onto an Android & Iphone/Ipad. This will enable you see your nearest fuel stations wherever you are in the UK. The link below will give your more information:

http://www.keyfuels.co.uk/Keyfuels_App.aspx

General Supplies through AF

Blu-Ray player AF have a great deal on SAMSUNG UBDK8500UHD Blu-ray Player

RRP £315.83, our price £155 ex vat, whilst stocks last.

TKMR Insurance Regulation Reminder

All members who intend to carry out work through the Ring should ensure that their insurance policy is extended to include all work carried out for other members. Any plant hired through the Ring without an operator must be insured for all risks by the Demander. Ultimately it is up to the owner of the Tractor/machinery to satisfy him or herself that their equipment is adequately insured. The Demander should have full insurance cover for employers' and public liability. The level of cover required is a minimum of five million pounds.

Every member must ensure that adequate insurance cover is held throughout the period of ring membership. The member's insurance must cover the activities supplied or received in connection with membership of the Ring. The member undertakes to inform the Ring of any circumstances which alters their insurance cover.

The Demander will be responsible for damage to Supplier's machinery if caused by neglect. Those members who operate terms and conditions over and above those of Thames and Kennet Machinery Ring, should obtain a signature to such terms from the Demander or his agent agreeing to all such terms and conditions at or before the delivery of the equipment. It is the responsibility of the Supplier to ensure that equipment is mechanically sound and fit for its purpose and that it is fully guarded to comply with health and safety legislation in force at that time. Machine operators, stockmen and other workers should have received adequate training and hold up to date certification.

Training Courses

West Berks and Oxon Training

July

19th Digital Marketing Workshop

August

2nd Social Media Marketing Workshop

3rd LANTRA 1 day Chainsaw refresher

29th & 30th LANTRA 2 day Chainsaw

Hampshire Training Providers

July

12th Emergency First Aid

13th Tractor & Trailer training – pre harvest

Dates for the Diary

July

11th – 13th Great Yorkshire Show, Harrogate

24th – 27th Royal Welsh Show, Llanellwedd

August

12th Grouse Shooting Season opens

28th Summer Bank Holiday

September

16th – 17th Royal County of Berkshire Show, Newbury Showground

FOR SALE



Landrover 110 Double Cab Utility

In good condition. 103,000 miles & 2009 (59 reg).
Electric front windows & Heated front seats. Full
service history & MOT.

£12,500.00. For more information please contact the
Ring office.

FORAGE FOR SALE

- We have a Member selling Haylage bales 80x70, along with quantities of Maize, Grass Silage & Whole Crop. For prices & quantity please contact the Office.
- We have a member who has a John Deere 6930 for short term hire over summer months. Please contact the Office for more information.
- We have a Member with a quantity of clamped Maize in the Reading area for sale. Needs to be gone by September 2017. For price please contact the Office.

Wanted

JGas are looking for sites in Berkshire for LPG Gas tanks & Storage. Please contact the Office if you are able to help.

GRITIT are looking for storage yards for salt from October 2017 – 15th April 2018 in the following areas: Bracknell, Camberley (Farnborough), Guildford, Basingstoke, Southampton & Portsmouth. If any of our Members have any storage space available please contact the Ring Office.