

TRINITY TALK

News from the Suffolk Agricultural Association



September 2013

Impressive line-up for autumn gardening event

An impressive line up of internationally acclaimed speakers led by chairman and Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) past president Giles Coode-Adams will address delegates to the SAA's horticultural conference entitled "The World of Trees" on Thursday November 7th .

Tickets are expected to sell fast to hear arboriculturist, author and gardener Hugh Johnson, the esteemed wine writer; Tony Kirkham Head of arboretum and horticultural services at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew and lifelong plantsman Roy Lancaster. For more details and to book tickets or apply for a tradestand space [click here](#).



Helen returns to the classroom

Former TPEL sales executive Helen Fomenko has stepped behind the Education Officer's desk while Hannah Woods takes maternity leave. Mother of two Helen said: "I am very passionate about educating children about food, farming and agriculture and I really look forward to taking charge of the wonderful projects we run, including the School Farm and Country Fair 2014."



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The annual County Harvest Festival Service...

...will be held on Sunday October 13 at 3.30 pm at St Edmundsbury Cathedral during which a collection will be taken for the work of farming charity <http://www.addingtonfund.org.uk/> Tickets for tea and more details are [here](#). Prior to the thanksgiving celebration a farmer's market will be held on Corn Hill from 10.30am, the harvest lunch starts in the Athenaeum from 12.30pm. Tickets cost £20 on a first come first served basis from ruth.pusterla@stedsbcc.gov.uk

Agricultural Awards dinner: October 24

The BALE award entries are now in and next week the judges will be out across East Anglia deciding the winner. If you have entered this or the Suffolk Farm Business Competition ensure you have the date in your diary and your dinner jacket is to hand for this black tie dinner!

Renewable Energy Seminar: November 26, Trinity Park

Membership renewals due now

SAA Membership makes a great birthday, anniversary, christening or Christmas gift, gives a range of benefits as well as helps support the educational objectives of the Association throughout the county. The 2013/4 rates are Members £50, Vice Presidents £125 Associates – under 21 years old - £26, Life Member £1000 and Life Vice President £2500. For more details/ to set up a direct debit payment call 01473 707110/ [email:enquiries@suffolkshow.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@suffolkshow.co.uk)

In the Press

SAA news features on the County pages of Saturday's EADT while new chairman Robert Rous gives his views on this year's harvest in the Farming Insight section also out on September 21.

Christmas Party nights almost a sell out

The "Roaring 20s" inspired theme for this year's Christmas Parties at Trinity Park has hit the right note. Places for the night at the "big speakeasy" have sold with unprecedented speed and only a few places remain for Thursday December 12th and 19th. To make a reservation visit [Trinity Park Events](#)



Renewable energy projects continue to have a major influence on the rural economy. This free seminar led by specialists in all aspects of these projects will provide invaluable advice to landowners, the agricultural industry and associated businesses. Presentations will concentrate on wind turbines and solar energy and examine a broad range of relevant legal, practical and financial issues. Run by Design, Environment & Energy consultants LDA Design and hosted by the SAA. <http://www.lda-design.co.uk/2013/09/10/3rd-renewable-energy-seminar-26-november-2013-in-ipswich/>

Trinity Park: Events diary

Sept 26 - 29: Foundry Plant Sales:
Oct 6: Copdock Bike Show
Oct 11: Bohemians Queen Tribute night
Oct 12&13: Robin Hood Game Fair
For further details of these and all events visit the [Events Diary](#)



Aldeburgh FOOD & DRINK festival

Sept 27: The Future of Food - food security, science and the community - is the subject of the Aldeburgh Food and Drink Festival Conference chaired by BBC Radio 4's Sheila Dillon. Leading scientists, local food experts and farmers will discuss how we need to farm more sustainably, waste less food and water and utilise resources more economically. Tickets £30. [book your tickets now](#)

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