

TRINITY TALK

News from the Suffolk Agricultural Association



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It's official - The Suffolk Show is outstanding!



...So said the judges of the EADT Business Awards who voted the Show the winner of the Outstanding Achievement Award for its outstanding contribution to the regional economy. Receiving the award from sponsors, Prof Ian Baxter of University Campus Suffolk, executive director Christopher Bushby said, "This award is a great honour for the Show, and recognises the rich heritage the Association has developed over the years with many organisations and individuals and members of the agricultural community who give their time for free. It also recognises all the hard work put in by the team in the office" (pictured with Chris Bushby, Bill Baker show director and deputy show director Mike Warner.) [Full story here](#)

The SAA also presented the East of England Co-op (pictured) with the prize for Excellence in Food and Farming for its "Sourced Locally" brand.



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Hold the Dates

October 4, Fariery Pre-Diploma Training Day. Booking forms at www.suffolkshow.co.uk/fariery or Facebook Fariery at Trinity Park.



October 22, Trinity Park: Suffolk Skills Show, an all day skills and careers event featuring hands-on activities, more than 100 employers and colleges of higher and further education, advice on careers and apprenticeships for 12-24 year olds. The "land-based economy" section offers

a great opportunity to discover more about career potential in the agricultural and allied industries. [Full details here](#)

November 11, Trinity Park, the autumn Agricultural conference entitled Innovation in Agriculture East, run in conjunction with the Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association. More details coming soon.

NEW: November 14-16, Trinity Park



The first Flavours Christmas Food Festival oozes with seasonal flavour and is a chance to pick up some unusual and delicious Christmas gifts. Cookery theatre demonstrations include delicious culinary treats to make for Christmas entertaining. Tradestand holders running businesses in gifts and presents and delicious foods to take home, are invited to book a site by contacting paula.slater@suffolkshow.co.uk



May 27 & 28, Suffolk Show, Trinity Park

Don't forget! You can keep up with all that's happening at the SAA by signing up for our monthly newsletter via the website www.suffolkshow.co.uk and following us via the [Facebook page](#) – we'd still be grateful if you can post more of your Suffolk Show photos onto [Facebook](#) - and on Twitter [@suffolkshow](https://twitter.com/suffolkshow).

Trinity Park Events

Tim follows George's lead!



Wantisden Hall Farms manager Tim Pratt (pictured) steps into George Harris's shoes as senior steward for sheep for the 2015 Show. No stranger to the woolly creatures, he farms 1500 ha of owned and contracted land with a mixture of Dorset Horns and Easy Care (400 ewes). Tim also has a small flock of 50 ewes of Poll Dorsets. Read [more here](#)

CLAAS makes winning extra special for Suffolk School

First they made a winning model combine harvester, then they met Prince Harry and last week they were the VIPs guests of one of the biggest combine harvester manufacturers in the world for a hands-on discovery day. There has been no stopping Saxmundham Primary School, winners of the SAA's Suffolk's Farming School of the Year competition, who were praised by Paul Moss, Manns sales manager organiser of the day for being "absolutely fantastic as they have been throughout the project." CLAAS UK's CEO Trevor Tyrrell added his accolade to the SAA saying "With some large agricultural national shows taking ever-increasing profits from visitors and exhibitors alike, it is really refreshing to see the Suffolk Show re-invest their time and money in such a worthy cause - encouraging and educating potential future farmers and employees in food and farming." He is pictured presenting a model CLAAS combine to the school. [Full story here](#)



Coming Soon: BALE Award

The Association's regional farm diversification competition, the Best Alternative Land Enterprise (BALE) entry and judging dates will be announced next month. Thanks to sponsors Ashton KCJ who are supporting the initiative for another year. Start thinking about your entry! Look out for details online and in the EADT and farming press. Pictured are last year's winners Suffolk Farmhouse Cheeses with sponsors Jonathan Long.



Rain didn't stop play at the Polo

Many thanks to our sponsors, competitors and hundreds of guests who all supported the Hopkins International Polo. After a sunny start, sadly the rain fell, but didn't dampen the mood. England were victorious over a fabulous team from Wales winning 7:4.5 as it poured. Umbrellas, courtesy of sponsors Ipswich Audi and Ipswich Volkswagen and Hopkins Homes, bedecked the enclosures and the crowds continued to be entertained by the camel racing, which later included polo player riders, and partied to the marvellous music of Tim Owen. Other results: Las Marias beat Higham Polo Club 9 – 8 and Trinity Park beat Stowe School 4 - 2.5. Thanks to Ali Schwabe from the Suffolk Polo Club for her [match reports here](#).



Dodgem the Dame! This year's themed Christmas events have kerb appeal! We're keeping our feet firmly on the ground and have introduced dodgem cars as the outdoor attraction...Oh yes we have! For menus and more on the Panto event, click here. To make a reservation to join in Suffolk's most popular big party experience, whether you are a business of 10 or 300, contact: christine.bond@trinityparkevents.co.uk



Boden is back!

We are delighted to confirm that the two day Boden sale will be held at Trinity Park on June 16 & 17, 2015. Block your diary and come and grab some great bargains for all the family.

Boden



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