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President’s foreword

Another action packed year has passed and our members are to be congratulated in all that they have achieved. There is so much activity that sometimes I wonder how everything gets fitted in.

Competitions remain an important part of our Association and we were delighted to see a large increase in the Arts Festival and the Waterfront Hall filled to capacity for the Gala. Overall participation in our competitions and activities has increased and I thank you all for your help and support.

Our members continue to be active in the leadership of other organisations. Robin Swann is now in his second year as Chairman of Rural Youth Europe and Barbara McFetridge was elected to be the board member for group one at the AGM of Rural Youth Europe in August. We congratulate them both and wish them well.

We welcomed two new members of staff with the appointments of Joe Hawkins as Chief Executive Officer and Ruth Montgomery as Millennium Volunteer/ Membership Development Coordinator.

The 80th Anniversary was launched at the Arts Festival Gala in March 2009 and over the year this has been celebrated with events being held by clubs, counties and centrally. Hillsborough Castle was the venue for our garden party in August and a great evening was had by all.

Part of our 80th anniversary celebration is the 80 goats for 80 years appeal in conjunction with Bothar. This is a very worthwhile appeal and your support is very much appreciated.

The YFCU members and staff make an excellent team and everything that has been achieved this year is down to that team working together and this fits perfectly with our theme for the year “Help and Encourage Others”. By doing so we can look forward confidently to the next 80 years of the YFCU.
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Members of the Executive Committee who stood down following the Association's AGM and Conference on Saturday 18th April 2009 are as follows:

Mrs Diane Smyth, Mr Smyth McCann, Mr David Hull, Mr John Ferguson, Mrs Louise O’Melvena (nee Bonnar), Miss Stephanie Fulton, Mr Eric Crozier, Mr Stephen Patton, Mr David Caskey, Miss Jenna Hamilton, Mr Stuart Graham.

Members of the Executive Committee who were appointed following the Association’s AGM and Conference on 18th April 2009 are as follows:

Miss Frances George, Mr James Taylor, Miss Roberta Simmons, Mr Nelson Shanks, Mr Alan Boyd, Mr Roger Lyttle, Miss Sharon Reid, Mr Andrew Cowan, Miss Leanne Mark, Miss Tanya Johnston, Mr Trevor Wilson, Mr Stephen Ferguson.

The Executive Committee are also, for the purposes of the Company Order, the directors of the company.

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AT AUGUST 2009 ACTIVE CLUBS WERE AS FOLLOWS:


County Armagh: Ballymena, Collone, Mountnorris, Newtownhamilton

County Down: Annacloy & Magherally, Artana, Ballymiscaw, Ballywalter, Donaghadee, Hillhall, Hillsborough, Kelling, Moneyrea, Newtownards, Rathfriland, Seaforde & Spa.

County Fermanagh: Derrygonnelly & Churchhill, Florencecourt, Kesh, Lisbellaw and Lisnaskea.

County Londonderry: City of Derry, Coleraine, Curragh, Dungiven, Garvagh, Kilrea and Moneymore.

County Tyrone: Cappagh, Castlecaulfield, Clanabogan, Cookstown, Derg Valley, Newtownstewart, Seskinore, Strabane & District and Trillick & District.

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Structure, Governance and Management
Structure, Governance and Management
The Young Farmers’ Clubs of Ulster (YFCU) is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 17th October 1957 and registered as a charity on 6th February 1967. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which set up the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

Recruitment and Appointment of Management Committee
The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the company’s Articles are known as members of the Executive Committee.

Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the members of the Executive Committee are elected to serve for a period of one year after which they must be nominated and elected at the next Annual General Meeting.

The Executive Committee comprises of the:
• President
• Immediate Past President
• Deputy President
• Vice-Presidents (4)
• Honorary Treasurer of the Association
• Two representatives nominated by each County Committee
• Chairman and Vice Chairman of each Sub-Committee appointed by that Committee
• One representative of the Ulster Farmers’ Union
• One representative of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development
• Two representatives of the persons co-opted to the County Committees
• Chief Executive Officer of the Association (without vote), and
• Two persons co-opted by the Executive Committee

If appropriate, the Executive Committee may also include the standing Board member representing the region on the Board of Conseil European des Jeunes Agriculteurs and Rural Youth Europe. And if desired, one Life Member of the Association (ex officio).

Due to the nature of the Association, the charity’s work inevitably focuses upon young people.

As a young people’s organisation the focus of the Executive Committee is on ensuring that the needs of this group are appropriately reflected throughout its membership and activities. To enhance this, members nominated for election to the Executive Committee by County Committees must directly represent the membership of senior clubs.

Trustee Induction and Training
While members elected to the Association’s Executive Committee are already familiar with the practical work of the Association, they are encouraged to attend an annual training residential to familiarise themselves with aims of the Association and the context within which it operates. These are jointly led by the Chair of the Management Committee and the Chief Executive Officer and cover the obligations and responsibilities of Executive Committee members, resourcing and future plans and objectives.

Risk Management
The Executive Committee has a risk management strategy which comprises of an annual review of the risks the charity may face; the establishment of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the plan and the implementation of procedures designed to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise. A key element in the management of financial risk is the setting of a reserves policy. All the Association’s policies and procedures are reviewed annually by the Executive Committee who are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the charity’s exposure to the major risks.

Organisational Structure
The governing body of the Association is the Council which meets annually at its AGM in April. The Council appoints an Executive Committee of up to 33 members with the power to manage and administer the business of the Association. The Executive Committee meets a minimum of six times per year.

At its first meeting the Executive Committee annually elects a Special Purposes Committee that reports to it on delegated issues such as finance and personnel.

Council also appoints two sub-committees at the AGM which normally meet 4 times per year and report to the Executive Committee on the programming and development aspects of the Association’s activities.

Other committees, namely the Agricultural Affairs Committee and the Rural Affairs Committee meet as and when required.

The Chief Executive Officer is appointed by the Executive Committee to manage the day to day operations of the Association and supervision of the staff team.

Related Parties
The Executive Committee receives support from the Youth Council for Northern Ireland and the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development who fund the work of the Association in providing training and social opportunities for young people in our rural communities. The Association has a close connection with a series of sponsors who assist the YFCU in delivering its annual programme of activities. The Association also maintains
close working relationships with the Ulster Farmers’ Union, the Women’s Institutes and Youthnet.

Objectives and Activities

The work of the Association is guided by the mission statement: “To provide young people in the rural community with enjoyable opportunities for personal and social development,” and this is applied within five major themes of work set out in the Association’s Strategic Plan.

These are:
1. Developing the life skills of members
2. Supporting local club structures
3. Fulfilling the needs of the membership
4. Promoting the work of the Association
5. Ensuring effective service delivery by the headquarters staff team

Within the above major themes of work the Executive Committee set overarching objectives for the period September 2008 to August 2009 as follows:

- To increase number of members gaining proficiency certificates by 5%.
- To ensure that at least one person per senior club has completed the accredited training in child protection
- To increase the number of training hours delivered to members by 2%
- To maintain the Duke of Edinburgh’s Award Scheme throughout the Association
- To maintain the YFCU competition structure
- To deliver one junior exchange or study visit
- To facilitate inter-club exchanges both within the UK and Ireland
- To deliver a specific project based conference for young members
- To deliver a training residential for central committees
- To maintain and support existing clubs, county and central structures
- To promote the Association and increase membership
- To increase email communication with membership
- To disseminate a new office bearer handbook
- To develop and deliver office-bearer training workshops
- To maintain a performance management system for staff

Staff changes 2008/09

The following staff changes took place during the year:

Joe Hawkins was appointed Chief Executive Officer in January 2009

Ruth Montgomery replaced Claire Leonard as Millennium Volunteers & Membership Development Coordinator in June 2009

Activities

The commitment, skills and energy of members that take on positions of responsibility at Club, County and Central level continues to be the source of the YFCU’s strength and success. Combined with the youth led nature of the Association at all levels, a wide range of activities and events, relevant to the needs and interests of rural young people has been delivered.

As part of the activities to mark the 80th Anniversary of the YFCU, an appeal was set up, in collaboration with the charity Bothar, to raise funds to send 80 goats to 80 communities in need in Africa. Counties held events over the summer of 2009 bringing together members past and present to celebrate the anniversary and a garden party was held in Hillsborough Castle to recognise the contribution of clubs to the longevity and success of the Association.

Throughout the year staff and members were kept busy delivering and participating in the annual programme of centrally organised competitions and activities. Encouragingly there has continued to be a year on year increase in competitor numbers.

As in other years the YFCU was represented by a number of members at events and conferences held by the Association’s sister organisations in Scotland, Wales, England and the Republic of Ireland.

AGM and Conference 2009

Armagh City Hotel was the venue for the Association’s Conference and Annual General Meeting. Workshops held during the morning session included an input on maintaining good mental health and Northern Bank’s Money Talks programme.

The Annual General Meeting followed in the afternoon. Thoburn McCaughey (Lisnamurrican YFC) was elected President and William Wilson (Cappagh YFC) was elected as Deputy President. Martyn Blair (Finvoy YFC) was re-elected Vice President and James Taylor (Coleraine YFC), William Gilpin (Collone YFC) and Frances George (Moneyrea YFC) were all elected to the positions of Vice Presidents. Bob Esler was re-elected Honorary Treasurer.

As in previous years, the AGM closed with the presentation of awards to high ranking proficiency badge winners and cup winners from the Ulster Young Farmer Competition and Member of the Year; as well as awards to the Association’s Best Secretary, Treasurer, PRO and Member of the Year. In addition to the awards, No. 10 Proficiency Badge was presented to William Cochrane (Coleraine YFC) and No. 12 Badge presented to Frances George (Moneyrea YFC).

The Association was also pleased to receive delegates from each of our sister organisations, Macra Na Feirme, Scottish Association of Young Farmers’ Clubs, National Federation of Young Farmers’ Clubs and Welsh Young Farmers at the Annual General Meeting.

Balmoral Show 2009

Balmoral Show continues to be a successful event for the Association. The YFCU stand attracted many members of the public, sponsors and existing members. YFCU events (sheep shearing, girls’ football, floral art, machinery handling
and tug of war) again proved excellent crowd pullers and showed members skills and abilities in the best possible light. The Association would like to extend its thanks to our sponsors of these events and the Royal Ulster Agricultural Society for its continued help and support.

Visits and Seminars 2008/09
Members of YFCU were represented at the following:
- Autumn Seminar
- Oxford Farming Conference
- Spring Seminar
- European Rally
- International Exchanges
- European Exchanges
- UK Exchanges

The Association also welcomed delegates from throughout the world.

Achievements and Performance
The Association has two key performance indicators, membership and participation. Membership in period decreased by 1% (27) and increasing this figure is part of the plan for the coming year. However, participation rates in the Association's programme of training and competitions increased reaffirming the relevance and value of these to the membership.

Proficiency Award Scheme
During 2008/09 a total of 4154 certificates were issued to recognise members’ participation in YFCU activities. Of these, 2169 were at distinction level.

Model of Youth Work
All YFCU members have direct responsibility for organising and developing their own clubs and the Association as a whole. To assist with this, over 350 members were elected to key office bearer positions during the year. Training workshops were provided for the club officials and the Executive Committee.

Child Protection Training
Child protection training continues to be a priority for the Association. During 2008/09 a total of 96 members took part in the Keeping Members Safe training.

As part of its child protection strategy, the YFCU continues to ensure that staff, key elected officials and volunteers/trainers are checked through Access NI. All members, parents and office bearers are provided with access to the Association’s child protection policies and procedures.

External Schemes
YFCU continues to be an operating authority for the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme which has again proven popular with some 20 members participating in the past year. The YFCU Millennium Volunteer Programme (established in March 2008 and funded through the Volunteer Development Agency) had by August 2009 engaged 105 members involved at all levels of the Association and included recognition not only of their work in Young Farmers’ Clubs but of their work in the variety of local community, church and youth groups in which they also volunteer.

Programming Committee
Key Outcomes:
- Agreed and implemented the timetable of central competitions and activities for 2008/09
- Reviewed all centrally organised events, activities and competitions
- Ensured the smooth running of all central competitions and activities
- Monitored participation rates and evaluated each competition and activity, putting forward proposals for resolving any issues arising

Development Committee
Key Outcomes:
- Initiated a review of the purpose, costs and benefits of transit and associate membership categories
- Undertook a strapline competition among the membership with the winning entry being “Give it some welly”
- Revamped the format of the Association magazine, Rural Dispatch, and the Annual Report and Year Book
- Initiated a review of the organisation’s website
- Development of 80th anniversary promotional materials

Agri Committee
The Committee’s work during the reporting year included:
- Response to consultation on policy options arising from the CAP health check agreement
- Review of New Entrants Scheme
- Consultation on the Equality Impact Assessment on the roll-out of DARD Direct
- Alternative winter feeding programmes
- Farm walk

Rural Affairs Committee
The Committee’s work during the reporting year included:
- Safety on rural roads and members safety
- Grants available through Education and Library Boards and other sources
- Active participation in the Rural White Paper People and Places sub-groups
- NI Housing Executive Rural Strategy and Rural Housing procedures
- PPS21

80th Anniversary Committee
An ad-hoc committee, serviced by the Marketing, Communication and Public Relations Co-ordinator, was set-up to co-ordinate and plan central events and activities to mark 80 years of the Association. These included establishing the 80 goats appeal and the garden party at Hillsborough Castle.
Strategic Review
A review of the existing strategic plan was undertaken in the year; this lead to the drafting and refinement of a new three year strategic plan that will be finalised and agreed in the coming year. In line with the strategic objectives, the Association maintained its staff performance and development programme during the year.

Financial Review
As in previous years, the Association’s core funding is from grants provided by DARD and the YCNI. In addition to these core grants, monies are also raised from donations, sponsorship and membership/event participation fees.

In 2008/09 there was an overall decrease of 3.5% in income compared with the previous year. This can largely be attributed to a fall in investment income and a drop in income from activities organised at club level although the latter was partially offset by an increase in competition activity organised by Head Office. Overall the accounts for the year show a surplus of £115,000.

At headquarters level a deficit of £52,601 is recorded reflecting increased expenditure in head office running costs, a drop in income from investments and unrealised losses on investment values.

The principles of “best value” and “added value” continue to be applied to all expenditure and activities undertaken by the Association over the past year.

Investment Policy
In the past year the Association continued to engage with the Northern Bank to pursue a policy of maximising income while maintaining a good level of capital growth. Investments are reviewed on a bi-annual basis and will continue to be reviewed in this way by the Honorary Treasurer and the Chief Executive Officer.

Plans for the Future
Core to the Association’s future plans is the development and continuation of the activities outlined above. Planning has also taken place for the development of a Strategic Plan for the period September 2009 to August 2012. Included in this will be an annual operation plan setting out the objectives and targets for the coming year. Central to this will be maintaining the position of the Association as a key stakeholder in the rural and agricultural sectors, a commitment to strengthening local clubs and promoting the interests, aspirations and achievements of members. All of this is subject to satisfactory funding arrangements. A revaluation of club properties will be undertaken in the coming year.

Reserves Policy
The Executive Committee has considered the level of reserves required to be maintained by the Association and has agreed a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity should be between 9 and 12 months of annual expenditure. At present the free reserves are £336,862 which is within this range. The directors are committed to managing the level of free reserves to remain within the target levels over the coming year.

Responsibilities of the Executive Committee
Company Law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the year and of the incoming and outgoing resources for the year then ended.

In preparing our financial statements, the directors, as required, have selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently, making judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent and accountancy standards have been followed. The accounts have been prepared on the basis that the company is a going concern, i.e. that it will not go out of business in the foreseeable future.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986. The directors are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Auditor
BDO has expressed their willingness to continue in office for a further year. A resolution to reappointment them will be proposed at the annual general meeting.

Disclosure of Information to Auditors
The current directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any information needed by the company’s auditors for the purposes of their audit and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information. The directors are not aware of any relevant audit information of which the auditors are unaware.

Approved by the Management Committee on 1st February 2010 and signed on its behalf by:

Mr William Wilson
Chairman, Executive Committee

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Annual Competitions and Results
Swimming Gala

The swimming gala took place in the Seven Towers leisure centre, Ballymena and was overseen by the Ballymena Amateur Swimming Club. Over 100 members from 20 different Young Farmers’ Clubs throughout Northern Ireland participated in the competition. Heats took place in 4 different age groups and the 6 fastest in each age group won a place in the final.

In the under 16 male final Killinchy again took the top three positions – 1st Adam Wilson, 2nd Aaron Jamieson and 3rd Gavin Neill.

Results for the under 16 female final were in 1st place Kendal Hunter, Moneymore, 2nd Amy Beggs, Gleno Valley and 3rd Jade Hunter, Moneymore

In the over 16 male final, 1st was Andrew Weir, Killinchy, 2nd Mark Walker, Anacloon & Magherally and 3rd Robin Hall, Gleno Valley.

Results for the over 16 female final were 1st Chloe McConaghie, Moycraig, 2nd Stephanie McCollam, Lylehill and 3rd Sharon Reid, Collone.

The final race on the night was the team relay and Killinchy scooped another award earning the club the much coveted Flamingo Cup. It was a memorable night for Killinchy YFC as the club also received the David Dunlop Cup for best overall performance by a club.

Public Speaking

Seventy members made it through the heats to the final of the annual public speaking competition, sponsored by the NFU Mutual Insurance Society. The final night held in Banbridge High School was a great display of talent and oratory from all those who made it through with the hope of winning the prestigious public speaking cups. Prize winners came from a wide ranging set of clubs with the NFU Mutual Insurance Society Cup and the OM Craig Award going to Barbara McFetridge, Garvagh YFC.

Home Management

Sponsored by the Ulster Pork & Bacon Forum and Calor Gas, the first stage of home management took place in the autumn with competitors completing a number of basic tasks organised in their club hall. The top four senior and junior members from each club then made it through to the second stage of the competition to sit a theory paper.

The top 6 junior and senior members at this stage were then given an opportunity to compete in the competition final. The competitors had to prepare dishes which were then assessed by Sean Owen of the Ulster Pork & Bacon Forum. In a close competition the junior section was won by Sharon Arthur from Kilrea YFC and in the senior section the Linda Currie Gallery Tray went to Sarah Thompson from Randalstown YFC.
Fencing
For the eleventh year in a row, the competition was run in association with AH Ward and Boyd Limited, who represent BETA FENCE in Northern Ireland. The contest allowed members to learn and practice their fencing skills under the expert tuition of Chief Instructor, Crosby Cleland.

The novice section were asked to erect a 20 metre straight stock proof fence with each fence having the sheep wire and barbed wire joined by traditional methods at some point in the fence. Meanwhile in the senior section the participants completed a 27m stock proof fence with a corner/bend at a predetermined point. Both the sheep wire and the barbed wire were joined at the centre of the smaller section using traditional methods. Both sections were given three hours to complete the task.

26 teams took part with City of Derry clinching the novice title – David Devine, Colin Devine and Graham Parke. The advanced section was won for the third year in a row by SPA – William Kelly, Sam McConell and George shaw.

Soil assessment
This year’s soil assessment final was held once again at the Northern Ireland Ploughing Championships. The competition was run in association with TIMAC Agri Business. Three finalists from each County were required to assess three soil profiles testing their ability to distinguish important soil qualities such as soil textures and type. Soil Profiles were selected by expert judges Dr Peter Barrett, Business Development Manager TIMAC Agri business; James Knox and Robin Bolton, Crops Development Advisors at CAFRE. In a tight competition it was Derek Scott Monneyrea YFC who won first place.

NI Ploughing Championships Tug O’ War
Four teams took part in this year’s competition with Milebush YFC showing their strength and clinching the top stop. Moneyrea came second. Prizes were sponsored by the Northern Ireland Ploughing Association and Hugh McFetridge was umpire for the competition.

Group Debating
The group debating competition was sponsored by the Army and topics throughout the competition focused on relevant issues and current affairs relating to the army. The finals were held in Ballee High School and 28 teams between 12 and 25 years old battled it out to win the top awards.

Newtownards won the 12-14 age group with Coleraine winning the 14-16 age group, Donaghadee the 16-18, Annaclone & Magherally the 18-21 and Kilraughts the 21-25 years.

This year the army offered the winners an additional prize of an activity weekend at the Ballykliner Army base near Newcastle, Co Down.
DECEMBER 2008

Choir Festival
Eight choirs performed at the choir festival held at CAFRE, Greenmount Campus. Adjudicator on the night was founder of Grosvenor Chorale, Edward J Craig. 1st prize went to Lylehill, 2nd to Finvoy and 3rd prize to Gleno Valley/Straid. Other prizes awarded on the night included: best solo – Finvoy, best choral piece – Gleno Valley/Straid, best accompaniment – Gleno Valley/Straid and best new comer – Finvoy.

JANUARY 2009

Ten Pin Bowling
The annual winter sports tournament once again took the form of ten pin bowling in the Odyssey Arena. 18 teams competed to achieve the highest pinfall over the two games but it was Finvoy YFC who came out on top, closely followed by Kells and Connor who were 2nd and Moycraig 3rd.

Silage Making
The annual silage making competition, in association with John Thompson and Sons Ltd, began in November 2008 and finished with the finals in January 2009. The judges were extremely impressed by the 6 finalists and found it an extremely close competition. Samuel Hill, Randalstown YFC, came out on top and was crowned silage maker of the year for the second consecutive year. Second place went to James Alcorn of Clanabogan and third place to Jonathan O’Malley of Lisbellaw.

FEBRUARY 2009

Ulster Young Farmer of the Year
Simon Connell, Dungiven YFC, was crowned senior Ulster Young Farmer of the Year 2009. The competition is sponsored by Northern Bank and attracted nearly 400 entrants. Robert Alcorn, Dungiven YFC, clinched the title of junior Ulster Young Farmer of the Year. The junior competition is growing every year and this saw over 300 members getting involved with the event.

The Ulster Bank Quiz
The quiz, sponsored by Ulster Bank, took place on 27th February 2009 at Loughry. 44 teams took part on the evening and Moneyrea A Star were crowned the winner for 2009. The winning team was made up of Frances George, Jennifer Tstownley, Beth Gregg and Jonathan Connolly and they received £300 from Ulster Bank for their club.

Arts Festival
Sponsored by the NFU Mutual Insurance Society Limited, the YFCU annual arts festival took place this year over four nights with 16 clubs taking to the stage. From these five were selected to go on to the YFCU arts festival gala event.

At each arts festival performance, the clubs were assessed by adjudicators Sam Moreland (music) and Kathy Walsh (drama). They were evaluated on content, presentation, technical competence, audience appeal and general effect. It was evident that all participating clubs had put much work and effort into their performances. The clubs who made it through to the YFCU arts festival gala evening held at the Waterfront in March were Coleraine, Glarryford, Finvoy, Kilraughts and Moneymore.

Craft, Art and Something from Scrap
The finals of the craft, art and something from scrap competition took place at CAFRE, Loughry Campus in conjunction with the NI Quiz. See results.

Photographic Competition
The photographic competition was held in association with David Scott Photography with this year’s categories being babies, green and NI landscapes. The winners were Rachel Cross (Gleno Valley) for her interpretation of babies, Kathryn Taylor (Coleraine) for her NI landscape and Glenda Ward for her interpretation of green.
**MARCH 2009**

**One Act Drama and Three Act Drama**

In conclusion to the Association’s drama season, the YFCU hosted a dinner and prize-giving ceremony for the casts that participated in the one act and three act drama festivals. Over 150 members met at the Tullyglass House Hotel in Ballymena to find out the outcomes of the adjudication of the two festivals.

In the one act drama, Coleraine with “The Church Meeting” won the Perpetual Challenge Cup and the NFU Mutual Trophy for Best Producer went to Roger McCracken for producing Ballywalter Junior YFC. In the three act drama, Glarryford took first place winning the Cherry Cup and their producers Rita Greg & Mervyn Dickey won the Best Producer award.

**Demonstration/Presentation Competition**

YFCU Demonstration/Presentation offers members the chance to improve their communication skills and confidence through demonstrating a skill chosen solely by themselves using practical and visual aids. See results.

**APRIL 2009**

**Member of the Year**

The Farming Life sponsored the “Member of the Year” awards and these were presented to the winners at the AGM & conference and the junior conference.

The winner of the senior member of the year competition was Nelson Shanks (Annaclone & Magherally). Nelson received the “Member of the Year” perpetual shield and an all expenses paid trip to the Highland Show in Scotland courtesy of the Farming Life.

The winner of the junior member of the year competition was Mark McAuley (Glarryford). Mark received the winner’s plaque and £100 of gift vouchers sponsored by the Farming Life.

**MAY 2009 – BALMORAL SHOW**

**Girls’ Football**

The finals of the girls’ 5-a-side football took place at Balmoral Show. Eight teams took part in the final after over 30 teams had battled it out at the heats earlier in the month at the Mid Ulster sports arena, Cookstown and Greenmount Campus. The finals saw close competition between teams from, Seskinore, Spa, Cappagh A & B, Lisnamurrican, Straid, Lylehill and Glarryford. Cappagh A were crowned the winners and Lisnamurrican 2nd after a final which had to be settled in a penalty shoot out.

**Tug O’ War**

Thirteen teams entered the competition, run in association with long-term sponsor John Thompson & Sons Ltd, and the draw split the teams into two groups with the top two teams from each making it through to the semi-final stages.

In a tight contest Kilwaughter and Seaforde were to face each other in the final. Spa YFC and Moycraig A YFC took part in a third place pull and Spa took the 3rd spot. Kilwaughter had the strength to win the contest and pick up the much coveted John Thompson & Sons Ltd Perpetual Shield.
MAY 2009

Sheep Shearing Competition
Balmoral Show Sale Ring staged the YFCU annual sheep shearing competition, in association with Lister Shearing. Now in its 49th year, the competition drew in huge crowds to watch both the novice and advanced sections.

Machinery Handling
Members from each County had battled it out and the top two competitors from each County won the place in the final. The Association would like to thank the staff at Johnston, Gilpin & Company for their continued sponsorship and help during the competition and also thanks to the Health & Safety Executive for designing the course and conducting the assessment on the evening.

Floral Art
This year the floral art competition was sponsored by Fort Dodge Animal Health. After county heats the final took place at Balmoral Show. For the final, competitors put together a display to depict the theme of “reflections” inspired by the association’s 80th anniversary.

Chloe Ewing, Seskinore clinched first place in the 12-16 years category. Julie Simpson, Lisnamurrican came in a close second, with Jessica Reid, Glarryford taking third place. In the 16-25 years category, Laura Furey, Killinchy came first, Melissa Millar, Lisnamurrican came second while Rachel Gibson, Trillick & District came third.

Prior to the final competition finalists were invited to a training day in Greenmount Campus where they were able to improve their skills and techniques under expert guidance.

JUNE 2009

John Bradley Challenge
This year members were challenged to build a raft. Twenty five teams took part in the event. Each team consisted of five members and participants had to race against each other to build their raft and sail it around a course at Craigavon Lakes.

Annaclone & Magherally won 1st prize and the John Bradley Challenge Cup.

Other prizes awarded were; best mascot to Lisnamurrican for their tractor mascot, best theme went to Kells & Connor for their cows theme and the John McCallister prize / most heroic failure went to Rathfriland.

JULY 2009

Stockjudging
The stockjudging competitions, sponsored by Ulster Bank, were again extremely popular throughout the year. The dairy stockjudging heats took place over the Easter holidays with beef and sheep taking place in late June. The top 4 competitors from each class in each county won a place in the NI finals day which took place at CAFRE, Greenmount Campus. The Association would like to pass on their sincere thanks to all the host farms used throughout the heats to all the many judges and to CAFRE, Greenmount. See result section.

Silage Assessment
The silage assessment competition heats took place alongside the dairy stockjudging in April with the final taking place in July. The competition is run in association with John Thomspsons and Sons Ltd and Hugh McCluggage attended both the heats and the finals sharing his expert knowledge with the competitors and judging their efforts in assessing various types of silage. See results.
European Rally

The 2009 European Rally was held in Estonia. Sponsored by Northern Bank, this was an intensive week long programme of leadership, team work, educational and intercultural experience. The team was selected through interviews and the successful members were: Janette Stirling (Glarryford), Frances George (Moneyrea), Gary Thompson (Kilraughts) and James Gilpin (Moneyrea). The team was led by YFCU President Thoburn McCaughey.

Junior Conference

The annual junior conference was held on Saturday, 15th August 2009 at the Clearsky Adventure Centre, Castle Ward, Co Down.

Over fifty junior members attended the conference and had the opportunity to take part in a number of workshops and outdoor activities.

In the morning session members took part in laser clay pigeon shooting, team building exercises and 2 workshops.

Vanessa Postle from Northern Bank led a “money talks” workshop which gave the members the opportunity to use interactive aids to learn about looking after finances and finding out more about banking. Ruth Montgomery, YFCU Millennium Volunteer/Membership Development coordinator led a road safety workshop with Pauline Moore from the DOE road safety strategy team.

After lunch members participated in archery, Canadian canoeing and mountain bike orienteering.

Tag Rugby

Over 400 members took part in the tournament which is sponsored by Northern Bank. The finalists were decided at two area heats with the top teams from both the senior and junior sections winning a place in the final which was held at Omagh Rugby Club. Seskinore YFC picked up 1st place in the junior section and Annaclone & Magherally took 1st place in the senior section.

EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

The International Exchange Programme is still attracting many applicants from a range of clubs. This year 10 exchangees took the trip of a life time, met lifelong friends and learnt about different cultures.

Members also played host to a number of visiting delegates from across the world during the summer delegates arrived from USA, Canada, Switzerland, Australia, Finland, Germany, Sweden, Norway and form Scotland and Wales.

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**Results 08/09**

**SWIMMING GALA 2008**

**Under 16 Female**
1st  Kendal Hunter, Moneymore YFC  
2nd  Amy Beggs, Gleno Valley YFC  
3rd  Jade Hunter, Moneymore YFC  

**Under 16 Male**
1st  Adam Wilson, Killinchy YFC  
2nd  Aaron Jamieson, Killinchy YFC  
3rd  Gavin Neill, Killinchy YFC  

**Over 16 Female**
1st  Chloe McConaghy, Moycraig YFC  
2nd  Stephanie McCollam, Lylehill YFC  
3rd  Sharon Reid, Collone YFC  

**Over 16 Male**
1st  Andrew Weir, Killinchy YFC  
2nd  Mark Walker, Annaclone & Magherally YFC  
3rd  Robin Hall, Gleno Valley YFC  

**Flamingo Trophy:**  
Killinchy YFC  

**The David Dunlop Cup for Best Overall Club:**  
Killinchy YFC  

**GROUP DEBATING 2008**

**Class A 12-14**
1st  Newtownards YFC  
   Joy Dalzell, Francis Henry, Daniel Patton  
2nd  Annaclone & Magherally YFC  
   Jenny Cromie, Ellen Woods, Laura Porter  
3rd  Garvagh YFC  
   Charlotte Collins, Caitlin Topping, Jonathan McNaugher  

**Class B 14-16**
1st  Coleraine YFC  
   Colin Henry, Rebecca Crowe, Thomas Cameron  
2nd  Coleraine YFC  
   Joanne Smyth, Clare Adams, Rebecca Lamont  
3rd  Kilraughts Jnr. YFC  
   Cara Henry, Emily Walsh, Lisa Bartlett  

**Class C 16-18**
1st  Donaghadee YFC  
   Hannah Spratt, Kate McCormick, Rachel Johnston  
2nd  Annaclone & Magherally YFC  
   Stuart Allister, Gordon Cromie, Ruth Thompson  
3rd  Moneymore YFC  
   Zita Blair, Hannah Johnston, Julie Hunter  

**Class D 18-21**
1st  Annaclone & Magherally YFC  
   Nelson Shanks, Ian Porter, Geoff Thompson  
2nd  Lylehill YFC  
   Stephanie McCollam, Carolyn Wilson, Christina McCollum  
3rd  Garvagh YFC  
   Siri Topping, Andrew Torrens, David McNaugher  

**Class E 21-25**
1st  Kilraughts YFC  
   Catherine Woosy, Linda Eakin, Joanne Thompson  
2nd  Garvagh YFC  
   Barbara McFetridge, William Hazlett, Lester Kelly  
3rd  Glarryford YFC  
   Janette Stirling, Andrew McAuley, Melissa McComb  

**JUNIOR HOME MANAGEMENT 2008/2009**
1st  Sharon Arthur, Kilrea YFC  
2nd  Hannah Wright, Newtownards YFC  
3rd  Chloe McKeown, Holestone YFC  

**HOME MANAGEMENT 2008/2009**
1st and Lynda Currie Tray  
   Sarah Thompson, Randalstown YFC  
2nd  Laura Hazlett, Dungiven YFC  
3rd  Barbara Fitzsimmons, Spa YFC
FENCING 2008

Intermediate Section
1st City of Derry YFC: Graeme Park, Colin Devine, David Devine
2nd Killinchy YFC: David McKeagh, James McKeag
3rd Rathmore YFC: Pamela Dennison, William Clarke, David Bethel

Senior Section
1st Spa YFC: William Kelly, Sam McConnell, George Shaw
2nd Gleno Valley YFC: Mark Paisley, Andrew Davidson, Robert Davidson
3rd Ballywalter YFC: Alan Angus, Joe Brown, Edward Brown

SOIL ASSESSMENT 2008/2009
1st and Trophy Derek Scott, Moneyrea YFC
2nd James Gilpin, Moneyrea YFC
3rd James Taylor, Coleraine YFC

PUBLIC SPEAKING 2008

Class A: 12-14 YFCU Cup
1st Charlotte Collins, Garvagh YFC 88
2nd Alan Thompson, Annaclone & Magherally YFC 87
3rd Emma Christie, Kilraughts Jnr. YFC 86

Class B: 14-16 Moore Cup
1st Joanne Smyth, Coleraine YFC 91
2nd Rebecca Crowe, Coleraine YFC 89
3rd(TIE) Philip Donaldson, Donaghadee YFC
Glenda Hawkes, Clanabogan YFC 83

Class C: 16-18 (Prepared) Irish Farmers’ Journal Cup
1st Joanne O’Malley, Lisbellaw YFC 83
2nd Kathryn Smyth, Coleraine YFC 82
3rd Laura McKinley, Trillick & Dist. YFC 81

Class D: 16-18 (Impromptu) YFCU Cup
1st Zita Blair, Moneymore YFC 87
2nd Rachel Johnston, Donaghadee YFC 84
3rd Peter Boyd, Straid YFC 83

Class E: 18-21 (Prepared) Heron Cup
1st Nelson Shanks, Annaclone & Mahgerally YFC 98
2nd Kathryn Taylor, Coleraine YFC 86
3rd Victoria Herron, Rathfriland YFC 85

Class F: 18-21 (Impromptu) Glentoran Cup
1st Kathryn Taylor, Coleraine YFC 90
2nd Megan Hamill, Donaghadee YFC 88
3rd Leanne Wilson, Lisnaskea YFC 86

Class G: 21-25 (Prepared) I.C.I. Cup
1st Rebecca McConnell, Rathfriland YFC 91
2nd Barbara McFetridge, Garvagh YFC 90
3rd Elaine Sproule, Strabane YFC 89

Class H: 21-25 (Impromptu) NUFC CUP & W.A. & O.M. Craig Award
1st Barbara McFetridge, Garvagh YFC 94
2nd Elaine Sproule, Strabane YFC 92
3rd Frances George, Moneyrea YFC 91

CHOIR FESTIVAL 2008
1st Lylehill YFC
2nd Finvoy YFC
3rd Gleno Valley/Straid YFC

SILAGE MAKING 2008/2009
1st Samuel Hill, Randalstown YFC
2nd James Alcorn, Clanabogan YFC
3rd Jonathan O’Malley, Lisbellaw YFC

JUNIOR YOUNG FARMER OF THE YEAR 08/09
1st and Robin Swann Trophy
Robert Alcorn, Dungiven YFC 232.5
2nd James Purcell, Dungiven YFC 218
3rd Steven Moore, Coleraine YFC 216

ULSTER YOUNG FARMER OF THE YEAR 08/09
Results Overall McCausland Trophy
1st Simon Connell, Dungiven YFC 487
2nd Trevor Wilson, Lisbellaw YFC 484.5
3rd Jonathan Hutchinson, Curragh YFC 478

Best Under 21
1st Trevor Wilson, Lisbellaw YFC 484.5
2nd Kathryn Taylor, Coleraine YFC 472.5
3rd William Bolton, Curragh YFC 448

SECTION AWARDS

Countryside Management
1st Trevor Wilson, Lisbellaw YFC 53.5
2nd(TIE) Jonathan Hutchinson, Curragh YFC
Lyle McCormick, Moycraig YFC 47.5
3rd David Little, Lisbellaw YFC 46.5

Sheep
1st Simon Connell, Dungiven YFC 57.5
2nd Trevor Wilson, Lisbellaw YFC 57
3rd Peter Drummond, Donaghadee YFC 56.5
# Results 08/09

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## ARTS FESTIVAL 2008/2009

### Special Awards for outstanding merit:
- Coleraine YFC, Moneymore YFC, Kilraughts YFC, Glarryford YFC, Finvoy YFC

### Most Amusing Moment – Kilrea and Curragh

### Most Imaginative Theme – Co. Down

### Best Choral Piece – Lylehill

### Best Choreography – Finvoy

### Best Newcomer – Moycraig

### One Act Drama Festival 2008/2009

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### Best Producer & NFU Mutual Trophy
- Roger McCracken, Ballywalter Jnr. YFC

### Most Promising Male Actor
- Martyn Blair, Finvoy YFC

### Most Promising Female Actor
- Donna Garrett, Killinchy YFC

### Certificates of Merit for Acting
- James Taylor, Coleraine YFC
- Jamie Freeman, Ballywalter Jnr. YFC
- Louise O’Mulvenna, Lisnamurrican YFC
- Rachel Morrow, Garvagh YFC

### Certificate of Merit for Production
- Finvoy YFC

### Certification of Merit for Set
- Finvoy YFC

### Certificate of Merit for “Best Moment of Theatre”
- Newtownards YFC

## PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION 2008/2009

### Babies

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Three Act Drama Festival 2008/2009
1st Place and Cherry Cup
   Glarryford YFC
2nd  Lisnamurrican YFC
3rd  Moycraig YFC

Best Producer:
Rita Gregg and Mervyn Dickey, Glarryford YFC

Most Promising Male Actor
Aaron Graham, Lisnamurrican YFC

Most Promising Female Actor
Susan Christie, Glarryford YFC

Certificates of Merit for Acting
Judith Holmes, Moycraig YFC
Gordon McConaghy, Moycraig YFC
John Christie, Glarryford YFC
Stephanie Fulton, Glarryford YFC
Nicola Hamill, Glarryford YFC

Certificates of merit for production
Robert Chestnutt, Moycraig YFC
Ian Kidd, Lisnamurrican YFC
Peter Stewart & Michael Dickey, Glarryford YFC
Rita Gregg, Glarryford YFC

Certificate of Merit for Set
Lisnamurrican YFC

NORTHERN IRELAND QUIZ 2009
1st  Moneyrea YFC
2nd  Straid YFC
3rd  Moneyrea YFC

CRAFTWORK 2008/2009
Class A 12-14
1st  Katie Jackson, Moneyrea YFC
2nd  Megan Upritchard, Lylehill YFC
3rd  Rory Woods, Annaclone & Magh. YFC

Class B 14-16
1st  Joanne Smyth, Coleraine YFC
2nd  Melissa Nesbitt, Derg Valley YFC
3rd  Joanne Townley, Moneyrea YFC

Class C 16-18
1st  Graeme Warden, Newtownards YFC
2nd  Wendy Ward, Hillsborough YFC
3rd  Daniel Buchanan, Dungiven YFC

Class D 18-21
1st  Christina McCollam, Lylehill YFC
2nd  Stephanie Clarke, Derg Valley YFC
3rd  Laura Buchanan, Dungiven YFC

Class E 21-25
1st  Amy Hill, Moneyrea YFC
2nd  Ruth Marshall, Moneyrea YFC
3rd  Pearson Johnston, Randalstown YFC

SOMETHING FROM SCRAP 2008/2009
12-16
1st  Wayne Manley, Florencecourt YFC
2nd  John Crawford, Lisnamurrican YFC
3rd  Makayla Smith, Florencecourt YFC

16-25
1st  Graeme Warden, Newtownards YFC
2nd  Jennifer Townley, Moneyrea YFC
3rd  Kathryn Taylor, Coleraine YFC

ART COMPETITION 2008/2009
12-16
1st  Hayley Killen, Cappagh YFC
2nd  Andrew Brennan, Gleno Valley YFC
3rd  Chloe McIlwaine, Gleno Valley YFC

16-25
1st  Sarah Thompson, Randalstown YFC
2nd  Rachel Martin, Newtownards YFC
3rd  Reece Killen, Cappagh YFC

DEMONSTRATION / PRESENTATION 2008/2009
12-14
1st  Ellen Woods, Annaclone & Magherally YFC
2nd  Rory Woods, Annaclone & Magherally YFC
3rd  Caitlin Topping, Garvagh YFC

14-16
1st  Joanne Smyth, Coleraine YFC
2nd  Claire Adams, Coleraine YFC

16-18
1st  James Townley, Moneyrea YFC
2nd  Stuart Allister, Annaclone & Magherally YFC
3rd  Sirri Topping, Garvagh YFC

18-21
1st  Nelson Shanks, Annaclone & Magherally YFC
2nd  Kathryn Taylor, Coleraine YFC
3rd  Christina McCollam, Lylehill YFC

21-25
1st  Barbara McFetridge, Garvagh YFC
2nd  Jennifer Townley, Moneyrea YFC
3rd  Frances George, Moneyrea YFC

GIRLS' FOOTBALL 2009
Cappagh YFC

TUG OF WAR 2008/2009
Kilwaughter YFC
# Results 08/09

## FLORAL ART 2008/2009

**12-16 Years:**
1st Chloe Ewing, Seskinore YFC  
2nd Julie Simpson, Lisnamurrican YFC  
3rd Jessica Reid, Glarryford YFC

**16-25 Years:**
1st Laura Furey, Killinchy YFC  
2nd Melissa Miller, Lisnamurrican YFC  
3rd Rachel Gibson, Trilllick & Dist. YFC

## SHEEP SHEARING 2008/2009

**Novice Section**
1st James Gilpin, Moneyrea YFC  
2nd John Magee, Kiviplayer YFC  
3rd Sean McCollam, The Glens YFC

**Senior Section**
1st Trevor Clark, City of Derry YFC  
2nd Dennis Taylor, Coleraine YFC  
3rd John Harbinson, Coleraine YFC

## MACHINERY HANDLING WITH SAFETY 2008/2009

**1st** County Armagh YFC  
**2nd** County Antrim YFC

## STOCKJUDGING 2008/2009

**Dairy Cattle**

**12-14 Years:**
1st and Belfast Telegraph Cup
   - David Reid, Coleraine YFC 208.5
2nd Daniel Patton, Newtownards YFC 207.5  
3rd Kaitlyn Martin, Ballywalter Jnr. YFC 203

**14-16 Years:**
1st and Robert Orr Cup
   - Jane Patton, Newtownards YFC 200.5 (err 4)  
2nd Claire Adams, Coleraine YFC 200.5 (err 7)  
3rd Michael Smyth, Coleraine YFC 197.5

**16-18 Years:**
1st and Hugh A.C. Maud Cup
   - Andrew Patton, Newtownards YFC 154
2nd Chantelle Murdoch, Coleraine YFC 153
3rd Alison Blair, Coleraine YFC 151

**18-21 Years:**
1st and YFCU Cup
   - David Dodd, Spa YFC 152  
2nd Steven Lyons, Seskinore YFC 148
3rd George Shaw, Spa YFC 142

## SHEEP JUDGING

**12-14 Years:**
1st and **NI Veterinary Association Cup**
   - Molly Kane, Coleraine YFC 206
2nd Matthew Gault, Dungiven YFC 201.5
3rd Bryan McKinley, Trillick YFC 201

**14-16 Years:**
1st and **YFCU Cup**
   - Robert Alcorn, Dungiven YFC 202  
2nd Lauren Chesney, Ballywalter Jnr. YFC 201.5
3rd Michael Smyth, Coleraine YFC 199

**16-18 Years:**
1st and **Richardson Cup**
   - Steven O'Neill, Coleraine YFC 163
2nd Russell Smyth, Coleraine YFC 158
3rd Kate McCormick, Donaghadee YFC 157

**18-21 Years:**
1st and **Salopian Cup**
   - John Cochrane, Coleraine YFC 162
2nd Alan Boyd, Strad YFC 56
3rd Ruth Blackburn, Seskinore YFC 155

## BEEF JUDGING

**12-14 Years:**
1st **Molly Kane, Coleraine YFC** 203.5
2nd **Kerry Angus, Ballywalter Jnr. YFC** 203
3rd **Stephen Rainey, Gleno Valley YFC** 197.5

**14-16 Years:**
1st **Andrew Little, Lisbellaw YFC** 207.5
2nd **Teresa Connon, Lisnamurrican YFC** 204 (err 6)  
3rd **Joanne Smyth, Coleraine YFC** 204 (err 6)

**16-18 Years:**
1st **Stephanie McCollum, Lylehill YFC** 156
2nd **Trevor Wilson, Lisbellaw YFC** 155
3rd **Andrew Boyd, Strad YFC** 153 (err 11)

**18-21 Years:**
1st **Stephanie McCollum, Lylehill YFC** 156
2nd **Trevor Wilson, Lisbellaw YFC** 155
3rd **Andrew Boyd, Strad YFC** 153 (err 11)

## 21-25 Years:

**1st and Northern Whig cup**
   - Barbara McFetridge, Garvagh YFC 145
2nd Lynn Boyce, Killinchy YFC 144
3rd Richard Bartlett, Kilaughters YFC 143

2nd **David Little, Lisbellaw YFC** 153 (err 11)
3rd **David Matthews, Donaghadee YFC** 153 (err 12)
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SILAGE ASSESSMENT 2009

12-14
1st Ryan Telford, Donaghadee YFC 27
2nd Andrew Rea, Striad YFC 123
3rd David Reid, Coleraine YFC 120

14-16
1st Robert Smyth, Randalstown YFC 137
2nd Tristin Murray, Cappagh YFC 127
3rd Gillian Rankin, Donaghadee YFC 121

16-18
1st Aaron Shortt, Seskinore YFC 132
2nd Reece Kilten, Cappagh YFC 127
3rd Andrew Dunlop, Striad YFC 126

18-21
1st Stephanie McCollam, Lylehill YFC 123
2nd Rachel Gibson, Trillick YFC 122
3rd George Shaw, Spa YFC 120

21-25
1st William Hazlett, Garvagh YFC 139
2nd John Cochrane, Coleraine YFC 138
3rd John Galway, Ballymiscaw YFC 129

MEMBERSHIP RETENTION 2008/2009
1st and Pam Robinson Trophy
Newtownards YFC

CLUB RECRUITMENT 2008/2009
1st and Alfa Laval Trophy
Collone YFC

LINDA STEELE TROPHY 2008/2009
Moycraig YFC

CLUB TREASURER OF THE YEAR 2008/2009
1st and Reg Gray Shield
Alison Whan, Spa YFC
2nd Heather Walker, Bleary YFC

SECRETARY OF THE YEAR 2008/2009
1st and McAlister Prize
Gillian Graham, Collone YFC
2nd Russell Cooper, Garvagh YFC

TOP PRO OF THE YEAR 2008/2009
1st and Guild of Agricultural Journalists of Ireland
(Northern Section) Trophy
Stephanie Fulton, Finvoy YFC
2nd (tie) John Harrison, Bleary
Lyndsey Johnston, Moneyrea YFC

SPECIAL CUPS
For year 1 January 2008 – 31 December 2008
Livestock Judging & Assessment

12-14 Years
Limavady Cup
1st Coleraine YFC
2nd Newtownards YFC
3rd Trillick YFC

14-16 Years
E.T. Green Cup
1st (TIE) Kilrea YFC
Kesh YFC
Newtownards YFC
2nd Coleraine YFC
3rd Dungiven YFC

16-25 Years
Mulholland Cup
1st Coleraine YFC
2nd Spa YFC
3rd Donaghadee YFC

All Relative Competitions
12-14 Years
Allen Cup
1st Coleraine YFC
2nd Annaclone & Magherally YFC
3rd Newtownards YFC

14-16 Years
Joan K. Dobbs Cup
1st Coleraine YFC
2nd Newtownards YFC
3rd Kilraughts Jnr. YFC

16-25 Years
Ballyvester Cup
1st Coleraine YFC
2nd Donaghadee YFC
3rd Lylehill YFC

JUNIOR MEMBER OF THE YEAR 2008
Mark Mcauley, Glarryford YFC

SENIOR MEMBER OF THE YEAR 2008
Nelson Shanks, Annaclone & Magherally YFC

JOHN BRADLEY CHALLENGE
Annaclone & Magherally YFC

BUILD IT
Castlecaulfield YFC

TAG RUGBY
Junior Seskinore YFC
Senior Annaclone & Magherally YFC
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committee report
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As the 2008/2009 year has drawn to a close, it gives me great pleasure to present the annual secretary’s report on the past year’s activities and events organised by the County Antrim committee.

The first event of the year was the annual County dinner and dance held on 10th October in the Tullyglass Hotel, Ballymena. Guest speaker for the evening was the YFCU President, Mr Adrian Cooper. The 400 strong crowd had a thoroughly enjoyable evening. The Tullyglass proved to be an excellent venue yet again and thanks must be extended to all the staff and management.

On Wednesday 5th November, we held our annual County quiz in the Adair Arms Hotel, Ballymena with Maurice McHenry and his wife acting as quizmasters. From a total of 26 teams, Straid were crowned winners of the senior section and the winners of the junior section. Again we are deeply indebted to the support Mr and Mrs McHenry give us in organising this popular event.

Throughout the winter months of 2008 and early 2009, our dedicated team of first and second round assessors faithfully travelled throughout the County in search of the most efficient club within the County and the top rated office bearers. We extend our sincere gratitude to Andrew Thompson, Darren Houston, Roger Lyttle, Thoburn McCaughey, Karena Shaw, Rosiland Ellis, Alistair McIlroy and Caroline Sherrard who acted as first round assessors, and to Bevan Mark, Ian Dunlop and Roger McCracken who acted as second round assessors, for all the time and effort they put into the competition.

The United Feeds efficiency results night was held on Wednesday 18th March 2009, where a closely contested competition saw Finvoy being crowned the most efficient club in County Antrim. On the same evening, Louise O’Melvenna (Lisnamurrican YFC) was named as top club leader, Kathy Graham (Lylehill YFC) as top secretary, Paul Fleming (Kells and Connor YFC) as top treasurer and Stephanie Fulton (Finvoy YFC) as top PRO. Sincere thanks must be extended to United Feeds for their sponsorship of this competition. Also on that evening, Mark McAuley, Glarryford Junior YFC was named County Antrim junior member of the year and Kathy Graham (Lylehill YFC) was named County Antrim senior member of the year. Thanks must go to David Caskey and James Taylor who judged this competition for us.

The annual AGM and conference was held on 18th April 2008 in the City Hotel, Armagh where Thoburn McCaughey (Lisnamurrican YFC) was elected President and Martyn Blair (Finvoy YFC) was re-elected to vice president. Congratulations and best wishes to Thoburn and Martyn as they represent the County at the top level of the organisation. County Antrim were among the prize winners with Stephanie Fulton (Finvoy YFC) being announced top PRO in Northern Ireland, Samuel Hill (Randalstown YFC) retained his silage making title and Mark McAuley (Glarryford YFC) won junior member of the year.

Balmoral Show kicked off the agricultural show season with County Antrim members taking part in a wide variety of the YFCU activities including; tractor handling, floral art, girls’ football and tug of war in which Kilwuaigter YFC were crowned champions.

On the 30th May members headed to Ballymena for the annual agricultural show. The traditional tractor handling and ladies jeep challenge were well supported with eight clubs participating. Derek Storey and John Crawford from Lisnamurrican were victorious in a closely fought tractor handling competition and Teresa Connon and Carrie Bonnar from Lisnamurrican were the best lady drivers on the day. The County was also involved with local clubs in the organisation of the “It’s a knockout” competition. Many thanks to these clubs for their hard work and effort which enabled the competition to go well. The County show stand was rolled out with its new look ready for a busy summer period for recruitment and showcasing the organisation.

The busy summer period continued the following weekend with the Northern Ireland football competition being held at Ballymoney Show. The event was a great success with 32 teams taking part. Kilraughts YFC emerged as the girls’ winners; Straid YFC as under 18 boys and over 18 boys winners. Our thanks must go to Straid YFC who provided the goal posts and to all those who offered their refereeing know how. In the tug of war contest, Moycraig A team emerged as winners. Many thanks to Hugh McFetridge for being our referee yet again and thanks to Ballymoney Show for all their help.

The build it contest was held in June in Tesco’s store in Antrim with 8 teams taking part to build a bookcase. Randalstown YFC went on to represent the County at the final.

The 14th and 15th July saw the County being involved in the Glenarm Festival. Local clubs and the County stand were present on both days. On the first day, County Antrim clubs took part in slippery football competition and tug of war. These were great crowd pleasers, with Moycraig coming out overall winners in both events. Thanks must go to Barry Barr for refereeing the tug of war, and to UFU Larne Group for sponsoring this event.

On Sunday 19th July, County Antrim committee along with past, current and future members went to Carnfunnock Country Park to celebrate together the 80th anniversary of YFCU with a “Picnic in the Park”. This proved very successful with kiddies races and young farmers participating in competitions. Everyone really enjoyed their afternoon and thought it was a fitting way of getting all age groups to celebrate together.
County Antrim

This year’s County competitions day again ran in conjunction with the Antrim agricultural show on 25th July. Our location in the show proved us to be a popular attraction as crowds watched members compete in many competitions ranging from tractor handling, digger challenge and slippery football to name a few. When all the results from all the competitions were added up, Striad were crowned County competitions day winners. Congratulations to Rachel Cross (Gleno YFC) on being crowned County Antrim Princess. Thanks to all those who helped design and steward the competitions, it really is appreciated.

The Superclub competition concluded with a night of ultimate frisbee at Ballymoney Show Grounds on Wednesday 12 August. In a close final, Moycraig were named winners of the frisbee competition. Thanks must go to Anne Marie McKeegan and Elaine Brady for refereeing. The overall Superclub competition came to an exciting end with only a few points separating the top two teams and Moycraig were named overall “Superclub” winners for 2009.

Throughout the year the County has organised and hosted numerous social events. These have included a “Strictly Masquerade” night on Saturday 24th January which showed off some dancing skills in the Comfort Hotel, Dunsilly. Thanks must go to Linda Steele and Tanya Magowan for composing the dance routines. Also, the County held the arts festival heats disco in Ballymoney Rugby Club and the arts festival gala disco on Saturday 21st March in the Hilton Hotel, Belfast.

This year several County Antrim members set off on the exchange programme during the summer months. Susan Christie (Glarryford YFC) spent time in Scotland while Gary Thompson (Kilaughts YFC) and Janette Stirling (Glarryford YFC) headed off as part of the team on the European Rally to Estonia with Thoburn McCaughey (Lisnamurrican YFC) as their leader.

Clubs within the County have excelled at many province wide competitions as can be seen throughout the rest of this yearbook. We have continued to be successful within the arts festival competition, one act drama festival, long length drama competition, fencing competition, group debating, public speaking and many more.

On behalf of the County I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the clubs within the County for their continuing support, participation and enthusiasm within all events. Congratulations to all those who have been prize winners and reaped success but well done to all those who have taken part and enjoyed each competition.

A special thanks to all our sponsors, judges, referees and hosts. Your kindness, dedication and expertise are crucial within the success of this County.

I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank the County sub committee for their tireless work in helping to prepare all activities and events. A special word of thanks must go to our chairperson Stephen Morrison, vice chairperson Roger Lyttle, assistant secretary Stephanie Fulton, treasurer Alan Boyd, assistant treasurer Samuel Hill and PRO Kathy Graham. All your input has been much appreciated and a vital part in the ongoing success of the County.

Finally, I would like to thank the members for allowing me to serve as County secretary. I have thoroughly enjoyed what has been a very busy year. I wish my successor and County Antrim every success in the future.

Janette Stirling
County Secretary 2009/10

Co Antrim Results 2008/09

Swimming

Under 16 Girls
Amy Beggs, Gleno Valley small tray

Under 16 Boys
Ryan McCoy, Lylehill small tray

Over 16 Girls
Chloe McConaghy, Moycraig small tray

Over 16 Boys
Robin Hall, Gleno Valley small tray

Public Speaking 2008
12-14 Emma Christie, Kilaughts Jnr, Nelson Tankard
14-16 Emily Walsh, Kilaughts Jnr, Nelson Tankard
16-18(P) Sarah Gardiner, Kilaughts Glenariff Cup
16-18(I) Peter Boyd, Straid Glendun Cup
18-21(P) Alison Wilson, Kilaughts Gleneshke Cup
18-21(I) Alison Wilson, Kilaughts Davidson Cup
21-25(P) Lynda Jayne McCullough, Glarryford County Cup
21-25(I) Robert Boyd, Straid Rita Gardiner Cup

Group Debating 2008
12-14 Glarryford Jnr.
Jessica Reid, Emma Patton, Jessica Byers County Shield
14-16 Kilaughts Jnr.
Cara Henry, Emily Walsh, Lisa Bartlett Co Shield
16-18 Kilaughts.
Sarah Gardiner, Robert Hanna, Sam Kyle Large Tray
18-21 Lylehill Stephanie McCollum, Carolyn Wilson, Christina McCollum Co Shield
21-25 Kilaughts
Kathryn Woosley, Linda Eakin, Joanne Thompson, Co Shield
Home Management 2009
Junior: Chloe McKeown, Holestone YFC small tray
Senior: Sarah Thompson, Randalstown YFC small tray

Soil 2008
Neil Hunter, Holestone small tray

Silage Making 2009
Samuel Hill, Randalstown Richardson’s Cup

Silage Assessment 2009
12-14 Andrew Rea, Striad YFC small tray
14-16 Robert Smyth, Randalstown YFC small tray
16-18 Andrew Dunlop, Striad YFC small tray
18-21 Stephanie McCollum, Lylehill small tray
21-25 Colin Smyth, Striad YFC small tray

Sheep Shearing 2009
Robert Davidson, Gleno Valley YFC
Sheep Shearing Tankard

Dairy Cattle 2009
12-14 Samuel Beattie, Finvoy YFC small tray
14-16 Gayle Adams, Lisnamurrican small tray
16-18 Kathryn Rea, Striad YFC small tray
18-21 Andrew Boyd, Striad YFC small tray
21-25 Richard Bartlett, Kilaughts YFC small tray

Sheep 2009
12-14 Gilmer Bates, Striad YFC small tray
14-16 Boyd McVicker/ Paul Bartlett, Kilaughts small tray x2
16-18 Elaine Paisley, Striad YFC small tray
18-21 Stephanie McCollum, Lylehill YFC small tray
21-25 Alan Boyd, Striad YFC small tray

Beef 2009
12-14 Stephen Rainey, Gleno Valley YFC small tray
14-16 Teresa Connan, Lisnamurrican YFC small tray
16-18 Joel Flynn, Striad YFC small tray
18-21 Stephanie McCollum, Lylehill YFC small tray
21-25 John Healy, Lylehill YFC small tray

Fencing 2008 October
Novice Section Rathmore YFC small tray x3
Senior Section Gleno Valley YFC small tray x3

Tug of War 2009
Kilaughts YFC Flamingo Shield

Machinery Handling 2009
Derek Storey, Lisnamurrican YFC
John Crawford small tray x2

Craft Demonstration / Presentation 2009
12-16 Nicola Clyde, Finvoy small tray
16-25 Christina McCollum, Lylehill small tray

Craft 2009
12-14 Megan Upritchard, Lylehill small tray
14-16 Graham Davidson, Gleno small tray
16-18 Melissa Miller Lisnamurrican, Lorna Duff, Holestone small tray x 2
18-21 Christina McCollum, Lylehill small tray
21-25 Pearson Johnston, Randalstown small tray

Farm Scrap 2009
12-16 John Crawford, Lisnamurrican YFC small tray
16-25 Melissa Millar, Lisnamurrican YFC small tray

Floral Art 2009
12-16 Julie Simpson, Lisnamurrican small tray
16-25 Melissa Millar, Lisnamurrican small tray

Ulster Young Farmer 2008/2009
Junior Section
Gayle Adams, Lisnamurrican YFC small tray

Senior Section
Lyle McCormick, Moycraig YFC Swift Cup

Secretary of the Year 2008/09
Lyle Graham, Lylehill YFC Cup

Treasurer of the Year
Paul Fleming, Kells and Connor Cup

PRO of the Year
Stephanie Fulton, Finvoy YFC Cup

Most Efficient Club 2008/2009
Finvoy YFC Shield

Photographic Competition 2008/2009
Babies
Rachel Cross, Gleno Valley small tray

Art Competition
12-16 Andrew Brennan, Gleno Valley small tray
16-25 Sarah Thompson, Randalstown small tray

Build It Competition
Randalstown YFC large tray

Member of the Year
Junior – Mark McAuley large tray
Senior – Kathy Graham large tray

Competitions Day Shield
Striad YFC shield

Superclub Competition
Moycraig YFC shield

Recruitment
Kells and Connor large tray
# County Armagh Committee Report 2008/2009

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County Armagh held their annual dinner dance on 11th December 2009 in Aughnagurgan Orange Hall with over 60 people attending. The committee would like to thank our guest speaker Martyn Blair and his fiancée Barbara, and also Louise Crozier who was our caterer for the evening.

This year the County heats for tractor handling and soil assessment were well attended. We had 27 members taking part in the soil assessment which was held on Billy Whittens farm in Scarva. The tractor handling heat took place at Cecil and Betty Troughtons, Poyntzpass. Richard Boyes for Bleary and Stephen Reid for Collone went through to represent Co. Armagh in the tractor handling competition at Balmoral Show in May 2009. The boys had great success and they were awarded 1st Place. In June the local agricultural shows took place with Bleary YFC represented at Lurgan Show and Collone and Newtownhamilton YFC at Armagh Show. There was a wide range of knock out games and various races organised for the day. Troughtons of Poyntzpass kindly sponsored a tractor for Bleary YFC for the day and there were girls and boys taking part in the tractor handling. Weather was very bad with constant drizzle all day until late afternoon, but we would like to thank all those who participated in the activities despite the inclement weather.

Collone and Bleary were both represented in the first round of the build-it competition which took place in Banbridge Tesco car park. Teams had to build a book case from scratch. Bleary got through to the final at Ballymena Steam Rally, where they had to make an animal feeder.

February saw Bleary and Collone take part in the arts festival for the first time. This was held in Craigavon Civic Centre. They wrote, produced and performed a one act play which was very entertaining and a great success. I would like to thank everyone for the hard work they put into this festival and would like to encourage other members to keep competing and keep Co Armagh well represented.

In February the local Mullahead Ploughing Match took place. Bleary annually runs a stall which provides refreshments, a few competitions and recruitment. Also a few girls from Collone and Bleary successfully took part in the girls tractor pulling.

April the annual AGM and conference was held in the Armagh City Hotel. Friday night activities had a Disney theme this year and a dinner and dance was held on Saturday. Both nights were very well attended and we would like to thank all those who helped organise and run these two successful nights.

Two out of the four clubs in Co. Armagh held an annual BBQ/dance. These are always great fund raisers for the club and always well attended. Thanks to all those who came and made these events a success.

Bleary and Collone got back into the swing of things with the John Bradley challenge. This took the form of a themed raft race at the Craigavon Lakes.

Newtownhamilton member Rachel Dougan represented the county in her trip to Latvia for the spring seminar in June 2009.

In August Bleary YFC held a treasure hunt and BBQ. This was well attended by parents and the local community. Thirty cars took part roaming all over the local area, followed by a BBQ, refreshment and prizes. In November Collone YFC set off to the New Holland Factory in Basildon, England with approximately 40 members visiting. Singing sweetly into December, Collone and Bleary took part in the Choir Festival held in Greenmount Campus.

Mountnorris YFC held a table quiz in October which proved to be very successful with family and friends attending.

The annual County outing was a trip to the Odyssey in Belfast for ten pin bowling in December. There was a great turnout with over 60 members attending and a good night was had by all.

2008/2009 has been a very interesting, busy and rewarding year for our clubs. I hope through these challenges, competitions and events, all our clubs will grow from strength to strength and more friendships will be forged. I would like to commend all the clubs for their hard work and dedication in pulling out all the stops and taking part in so many events. I would like to thank all those who have helped me in my term as County Secretary, to the staff at headquarters and all the county and club officials. I would like to wish all the clubs every success for the incoming year.

Suzanne Halliday
County Secretary 2009/10
Co Armagh Results 2008/09

Swimming Gala
Over 16 Female:
Sharon Reid, Collone (Placed 3rd)

Over 16 Male:
Nigel White, Bleary (Not placed)

Under 16 Male:
Jason McNiece, Collone (Not placed)

Soil 2008
Douglas McKenzie, Collone

Silage Making 2008/09
Philip Reid, Collone

Silage Assessment 2008/09
12-14 Philip Boyes, Bleary
14-16 Louise Halliday, Bleary
16-18 Diane Halliday, Bleary
18-21 Richard Boyes, Bleary

Dairy Cattle 2009
12-14 Andrew Boyce, Bleary
14-16 Louise Halliday, Bleary
16-18 Diane Halliday, Bleary
18-21 Suzanne Halliday, Bleary

Sheep 2009
Andrew Boyes, Bleary
14-16 Stuart Hanna, Bleary
16-18 Diane Halliday, Bleary
18-21 Andrew Meakin, Collone
21-25 Nicola Harrison, Bleary

Beef 2009
12-14 Andrew Boyes, Bleary
14-16 Louise Halliday, Bleary
16-18 Diane Halliday, Bleary
18-21 Suzanne Halliday, Bleary
21-25 Nicola Harrison, Bleary

Ulster Young Farmer 2008/2009
Senior Section: Richard Boyes, Bleary YFC

Secretary of the Year
Gillian Graham, Collone (Placed 1st overall)

Treasurer of the Year
Heather Walker, Bleary (Placed 2nd overall)

PRO of the Year
John Harrison, Bleary (Placed 2nd overall)
County Down committee report 2008/2009

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The La Mon House Hotel hosted our annual County dinner dance and prize distribution on Friday 21st November 2008. Sponsors, competition hosts, representatives of the presidential team and members made up the 386 strong crowd. Mr Robin Swann chairman of Rural Youth Europe was our guest speaker for the evening. After photographs of county officials, guests and awards winners the night concluded with music by Rio.

Stephen Grainger acted as a very entertaining quiz master at our annual quiz and disco in the Temple Golf Club on Friday 23rd January 2009. Donaghadee YFC came away winners after a tie breaker question against Annacoine and Magherally YFC.

The junior sports night was held in Comber Leisure Centre on Friday 30th January. The night was extremely well supported with over 50 juniors attending. Thanks to Sara-Jane for organizing the night and to all seniors who helped with running it.

It is hard to believe that with all this going on members of County Down had also been practicing for the arts festival held on Thursday 19th February in Craigavon civic centre. Once again this was a great event with much laughter and some stress! For our first production from the county in a number of years we were extremely impressed in our efforts. Great thanks must go to Rachael Heinz for choreographing and to John, Anna, David and Ian for help with creation and production.

This year’s practical young farmer and young hostess competitions were held in Dromore High School on Monday 9th March. There was an excellent turnout for the practical young farmer, sponsored by John Thompson and Sons Ltd, with 22 members taking part. ABP Beef Producers Ltd, Newry sponsored the young hostess competition and with 23 seniors and 18 juniors the attendance was excellent.

The annual AGM and conference was held at Armagh City Hotel. A great weekend was had by all but for County Down it was extra special with county representatives being elected to the positions of chair and vice-chair of the development committee and chair of the programming. Frances George was elected Vice President of YFCU. Along with Frances the county has nine other representatives on the Executive committee, a great sign of our County’s position and strength in the organisation.

Monday 4th May 2009 was the date for County Down’s soil assessment and tractor driving heats at Mr David Dunlop’s Farm. Congratulations must go to Robin McMullan (Killinchy YFC), Robin Thompson (Annacoine & Magherally YFC) and David Matthews (Donaghadee YFC) gaining 1st, 2nd and 3rd respectively in the soil assessment competition.

Thursday 14th May saw Seaforde YFC gain 2nd place and Spa YFC gain 3rd place in tug of war competition at Balmoral Show. Thursday 14th was also the date for County Down’s annual show dance which proved to be a great success.

County Down’s 44th annual rally day was held on Saturday 4th July 2009 at Ballynahinch Rugby Club and saw Spa YFC take home the rally challenge shield and Hillhall take home the rally task shield. Jane Cowan from Annacoine & Magherally YFC was crowned Pinta Princess.

Saturday 18th July 2009 marked the day for Castlewellan Show where County Down was well represented with many members from all clubs taking part in the various competitions and promoting the YFCU.

Thursday 20th August 2009 saw members from County Down put on their glad rags and head to Hillsborough Castle to celebrate YFCU 80th Anniversary at the Garden Party.

My sincere thanks must go to all sponsors, judges and hosts of various competitions, the club secretaries and office bearers for their hard work and dedication, to the sub-committee for their help and co-operation and to the staff at HQ for their continuous advice and assistance. Personally I would like to extend my sincere thanks to Ian, Paul, Jennifer and the rest of the sub-committee for all your hard work and support the year, and best of luck to Paul, Jennifer and their committee for the incoming year!

Nelson Shanks
County Secretary 2009/10
## County Down

### Results Co Down 2008/09

**Art**
- **Under 16**
  - Ellen Woods, A&M
- **Over 16**
  - Rachel Martin, Newtownards

**Photography**
- **Senior**
  - Cathryn Cochrane, Hillsborough

**Swimming**
- **Under 16**
  - Female
    - Jenny Martin, Ballywalter
  - Male
    - Adam Wilson, Killinchy
- **Over 16**
  - Male
    - Andrew Weir, Killinchy

**Silage Assessment**
- **12-14**
  - Ryan Telford, Donaghadee
- **14-16**
  - Gillian Rankin, Donaghadee
- **16-18**
  - David Sleator A&M
- **18-21**
  - George Shaw, Spa
- **21-25**
  - John Galway, Ballymiscaw

**Public Speaking (Prepared)**
- **12-14**
  - County Committee Cup
    - Alan Thompson, Annaclone & Magherally
- **14-16**
  - County Committee Cup
    - Philip Donaldon, Donaghadee
- **16-18**
  - County Committee Cup
    - Kate McCormick, Donaghadee
- **18-21**
  - Belfast Bank Trophy
    - Nelson Shanks, Annaclone & Magherally
- **21-25**
  - Knox Patterson Cup
    - Frances George, Moneyrea

**Public Speaking (Impromptu)**
- **16-18**
  - County Committee Cup
    - Rachel Johnston, Donaghadee
- **18-21**
  - Elliott Challenge Shield
    - Megan Hamill, Donaghadee
- **21-25 RA**
  - Wright Challenge Cup
    - Rebecca McConnell, Rathfriland

**Group Debating**
- **12-14**
  - County Committee Cup
    - Newtownards
- **14-16**
  - East Down Foxhounds
    - Donaghadee
- **16-18**
  - County Committee Cup
    - Donaghadee
- **18-21**
  - County Committee Cup
    - Annaclone & Magherally
- **21-25**
  - County Committee Cup
    - Moneyrea

**Dairy Judging**
- **12-14**
  - County Committee Cup
    - Daniel Patton, Newtownards
- **14-16**
  - County Committee Cup
    - Jane Patton, Newtownards
- **16-18**
  - County Committee Cup
    - Andrew Patton, Newtownards
- **18-21**
  - MMB Rose Bowl
    - Daivid Dodd, Spa
- **21-25**
  - Ulster Farm Feeds Cup
    - Lynn Boyce, Killinchy

**Beef Judging**
- **12-14**
  - Downpatrick Farm & Garden Equipment
    - Kerry Angus, Ballywalter
- **14-16**
  - Banbridge Livestock Market Cup
    - Andrew Sleator, Annaclone & Magherally
- **16-18**
  - Rathfriland YFC Livestock Cup
    - Jocelyn Orr, Spa
- **18-21**
  - John Irwin Feeds Ltd Cup
    - David Dodd, Spa
- **21-25**
  - David Thompson Memorial Cup
    - David Matthews, Donaghadee

**Sheep Judging**
- **12-14**
  - Down County Livestock Market Ltd
    - Robert Chesney Ballywalter
- **14-16**
  - County Committee Cup
    - Lauren Chesney
- **16-18**
  - County Committee Cup
    - Kate McCormick, Donaghadee
- **18-21**
  - Ulster By Products Cup
    - George Shaw, Spa
- **21-25**
  - Joseph Morton Ltd Cup
    - Jennifer McMorrie Moneyrea

**Craft**
- **12-14**
  - County Committee Cup
    - Katie Jackson, Moneyrea
- **14-16**
  - County Committee Cup
    - Joanne Townley, Moneyrea
- **16-18**
  - County Committee Cup
    - Graeme Warden, Newtownards
- **18-21**
  - McCready Cup
    - Valerie Orr, Moneyrea
- **21-25**
  - Cyril Johnston Cup
    - Amy Hill, Moneyrea
Craft Demonstration
12-14 County Committee Cup
Ellen Woods, Annaclone & Magherally
16-18 County Committee Cup
James Townley, Moneyrea
18-21 George Beggs Cup
Nelson Shanks, Annaclone & Magherally
21-25 Johnston Gilpin Cup
Frances George, Moneyrea

Floral Art
12-16 County Committee Shield
Emma Thompson, Annaclone & Magherally
16-25 Noel Sufferin Gallery Tray
Laura Furey, Killinchy

Home Management
Junior Hannah Wright, Newtownards
Warden Brothers Cup Barbara Fitzimmons, Spa

Farm Scrap
Under 16 Heather Martin, Newtownards
Over 16 County Committee Cup
Graeme Warden, Newtownards

Soil Assessment
County Committee Cup
Derek Scott, Moneyrea

Silage Making
Co Committee Cup
Richard McFarlane, Ballymiscaw

Sheep Shearing
Co Committee Shield
James Gilpin, Moneyrea

Fencing
Novice
Killinchy

County Committee Shield
Spa

Tractor Driving
Thompson Reid Tractors Ltd Cup
Seamus Maginn, Seaford

Ulster Young Farmer
Under 16
Gillian Rankin, Donaghadee

Over 16 County Committee Cup
Peter Drummond, Donaghadee

Special Cups
Drama Cup
Killinchy YFC

Best Junior Club
Newtownards YFC

Best Senior Club
Moneyrea YFC
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In County Fermanagh the year was action packed and fun filled. The committee was very busy and had great support and commitment from all the clubs in the County and members.

The first event on the calendar was the County table quiz which was held in the agri college Enniskillen with Kesh YFC being crowned the winners. Following the table quiz, the County held their annual dinner dance in Mahon Hotel, Invinestown. We would like to thank our guest speaker Diane Smyth and our two proficiency judges Joe Graham and Claire Miller for attending.

In February Lisbellaw YFC held their annual dinner dance in the Valley hotel. Kesh YFC held a tractor judging competition to raise money for Baby Scott Memory Fund.

In April County members attended the YFCU AGM and conference in Armagh. Also in April, members travelled to Omagh for the dairy stockjudging and silage assessment.

In May members visited the Balmoral Show in Belfast and took part in the tug of war event.

June was a really busy month and included Trillick YFC’s cops and robbers night and Lisbellaw YFC’s beach party event at the Valley hotel.

Members took part in the beef and sheep stockjudging held at Kenneth Stubb’s farm in Killadeas. Many thanks to Kenneth for the use of his farm.

Members from Lisbellaw YFC and Kesh YFC headed down in July to Cappagh’s knock out competition followed by a disco in Omagh rugby club.

The County’s annual show and dance was held in August. This year the County hired a rodeo bull and marquee which was kindly sponsored by the National Lottery. The night finished with the members heading to Enniskillen rugby club for a disco and Rachel Hall was crowned Show Princess.

To finish of the summer activities, Kesh YFC fundraised for the charity CRY by taking part in a street collection.

On behalf of the county I would like to thank all the staff at YFCU headquarters for their continued help and support. I would also like to thank all our members and congratulate you for taking part in all our events, activities and competitions.

Beverley Henderson
County Secretary 2009/10
County Fermanagh

Co Fermanagh Results 2008/09

Silage Assessment
12-14 Luke Johnston, Lisbellaw
14-16 Clodagh Wilson, Lisnaskea
16-18 Edmond Wilson, Lisnaskea
18-21 Leanne Wilson, Lisnaskea
21-25 Clive Henderson, Kesh

Dairy Cattle
12-14 Luke Johnston, Lisbellaw
14-16 Andrew Little, Lisbellaw
16-18 Zara Stubbs, Kesh
18-21 Rodger Armstrong, Lisbellaw
21-25 Clive Henderson, Kesh

Sheep
12-14 Stephen Roberts, Kesh
14-16 Aaron Noble, Kesh
16-18 Fiona Chestnutt, Florencecourt
18-21 Jayne Little, Lisbellaw
21-25 Beverley Henderson, Kesh

Beef
12-14 Stephen Roberts, Kesh
14-16 Rachel Mahon, Kesh
16-18 Matthew Dunne, Kesh
18-21 Trevor Wilson, Kesh
21-25 David Little, Lisbellaw

Prepared Speaking
12-14
1st Lucy Elliott, Lisbellaw
2nd Holly Walker, Kesh

14-16
1st Gavin Rodgers, Derrygonnelly
2nd Gail Woods Kesh

16-18
1st Tara Farrell, Kesh
2nd Joanne Campbell, Kesh

18-21
1st Richard Law, Kesh
2nd Gillian Henderson, Kesh

21-25
1st Jayne Little, Lisbellaw
2nd Beverley Henderson, Kesh

Imp. Speaking
16-18
1st Aaron Shaw, Kesh
2nd Tara Farrell, Kesh

18-21
1st Jenna Hamilton, Lisbellaw
2nd Grace Kinnear, Kesh

21-25
1st Jayne Little, Lisbellaw
2nd Beverley Henderson, Kesh
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The first event of the 2008/09 calendar was the swimming gala, held in September. Flower arranging was next at Ballymoney High School. Well done to Kathryn Smyth who got placed and competed in the finals at Balmoral Show. In October members attended the first round of public speaking held in Garvagh High School.

At the NI Ploughing Championship, congratulations to William Bolton, Curragh YFC, James Taylor and David Hall, Coleraine YFC who took part in the soil assessment.

The County’s annual dinner dance and prize distribution was held in November in Magherabuoy Hotel, Portrush. The guest speaker for the evening was the YFCU President Mr Adrian Cooper.

November also saw members take part in the Ulster Young Farmer of the Year competition. Simon Connell, Dungiven YFC was announced the winner of Ulster Young Farmer and third went to Jonathan Hutchinson, Curragh. In the under 21 section Kathryn Taylor, Coleraine YFC came second and William Bolton, Curragh was third.

Home management also occurred in November with the County well represented. Well done to Sharon Arthur, Kilrea YFC who won the home management junior final and to Laura Hazlett, Dungiven YFC who was placed 2nd in the senior finals. At the end of November, clubs competed in the County Wooden Welly challenge held in Garvagh High School. Congratulations go to City of Derry for winning the challenge of unihoc.

December saw Garvagh and Kilrea/Curragh compete in the choir festival held at Greenmount campus. Well done to all who took part.

January was a quieter month with members practicing for the forthcoming Arts Festival. Congratulations to Moneymore and Coleraine who all got through to the Gala which was held in the Waterfront, Belfast. Congratulations goes to Kilrea/Curragh who won Most Amusing Moment award on this night.

The Efficiency Results Evening was held at the Brown Trout with the Member of the Year, Travel Awards and Miss Co. Londonderry also being announced on the evening. Dungiven YFC was declared the most efficient club in the county. Congratulations also to the individual winners, Best Club Leader – James Taylor, Best Club Secretary – Russell Cooper, Best Club Treasurer – Caroline Patterson and Best Club PRO – Jacqueline McCart, Karen Millroy, Kilrea YFC was declared best senior member in the county as well as James Purcell, Dungiven YFC in the junior section. The travel awards were won this year by William Cochrane, Coleraine and Hannah McClure, Kilrea. A special thank you must be expressed to TBF Thompson (Garvagh), for their support of these awards.

April kicked off with the annual County Quiz. Well done to the Kilrea YFC team who emerged victorious on the night.

At the annual AGM & Conference in April, James Taylor was elected as a Vice-President. This was a great result for our County. It was also a big day for William Cochrane who picked up his 10th efficiency badge which is a great achievement. A special mention must also go to Coleraine YFC who collected five CEO cups and Kilrea YFC who collected one CEO cup.

The soil assessment and tractor handling evening was held at John McGonigle’s farm in Aghanaloo. It was a very successful night which saw entries increase for both competitions. Congratulations to Adam Porter, Curragh YFC, Lauren McLaughlin and James Purcell, Dungiven YFC who progressed to the Northern Ireland finals and Ian Parke, City of Derry YFC and David Johnston, Curragh YFC who represented the county at Balmoral’s machinery handling competition.

The County stock judging heats were held at the farms of Alec Brown and David Fulton. Thanks for the use of these farms and well done to all those who got placed and went forward to the finals.

Drummond Cricket Club was the venue for the County sports night in May. Well done to all those who supported this event and especially to those who won prizes.

Greenmount was the venue for the dairy, silage, beef and sheep judging finals. Congratulations to all those who were placed and in particular to the cup winners, dairy - David Reid, Coleraine, Barbara McFetridge, Garvagh, sheep – Molly Kane, Coleraine, Robert Alcorn, Dungiven, Steven O’Neill, Coleraine, Kathryn Taylor, Coleraine, John Cochrane, Coleraine and beef – Molly Kane, Coleraine, John Cochrane, Coleraine. Silage assessment – William Hazlett, Garvagh.

Various members took part in exchanges during the summer. Kathryn Smyth and Andrew Torrens travelled to New Zealand. Tanya Johnston represented the organisation at the spring seminar in Latvia.

A special congratulations is extended to all those who brought honour to the County in any and every way, especially all the various CEO competitions. I would like to thank all those who have helped me in my term as county secretary – headquarters staff, club secretaries and officials and members of the sub-committee.

Tanya Johnston
County Secretary 2009/10
Co Londonderry Results 2008/09

Home Management
Under 18
Dean Stewart (Dungiven)

Over 18
William Cochrane (Coleraine)

SRK Equipment Cup
Farm Safety – Girls
Kathryn Taylor (Coleraine)

SRK Equipment Cup
Farm Safety – Under 18 Boys
Mark Blair (Coleraine)

SRK Equipment Cup
Farm Safety – Over 18 Boys
William Cochrane (Coleraine)

Johnston Gilpin Cup
Farm Safety – Under 18 Boys
Mark Blair (Coleraine)

H.A. McIlrath Cup
Farm Safety – Over 18 Boys
William Cochrane (Coleraine)

Ivan Wilson Cup for Tractor Handling
Winners
Ian Parke (City of Derry)
David Johnston (Curragh)

Soil Assessment
R.H. MacCombe Cup
Adam Porter (Curragh)

Milk Marketing Board Trophy
William Bolton (Curragh)

Beef Judging in UFU Competition
Simon Connell (Dungiven)
Londonderry Co Committee Cup

Prepared Public Speaking
Henry Cup (12 – 14)
Kathryn Hunter (Moneymore)

Usher Cup (14 – 16)
Caitlin Topping (Garvagh)

Hamill Cup (16 – 18)
Sirri Topping (Garvagh)

Derry County Committee YFC Cup
Kathryn Smyth (Coleraine)

Thompson Cup (21 – 25)
Diane Steele (Curragh)

Impromptu Public Speaking
Porter Cup (16 – 18)
Rosie Alcorn (Coleraine)

Co. Londonderry Co Cup (18 – 21)
Zita Blair (Moneymore)

Hunter Cup (21 – 25)
David Hall (Coleraine)

County Plaques (Proficiencies)
12 – 14
1st Caitlin Topping Garvagh YFC
2nd Charlotte Collins Garvagh YFC
3rd Molly Kane Coleraine YFC

14 – 16
1st Joanne Smyth Coleraine YFC
2nd Clare Adams Coleraine YFC
Joint 3rd Michael Smyth Coleraine YFC,
Jason Henderson Dungiven YFC

16 – 18
1st Chantelle Murdoch Coleraine YFC
2nd Zita Blair Moneymore YFC
3rd Kathryn Smyth Coleraine YFC

18 – 21
1st Kathryn Taylor, Coleraine YFC
2nd David McNaught Garvagh YFC
3rd John Oliver Dungiven YFC

21 – 25
1st John Cochrane Coleraine YFC
2nd Barbara McFetridge Garvagh YFC
Joint 3rd William Hazlett Garvagh YFC, Philip Henry
Coleraine YFC

Stock Judging
12 – 14
Jonathan McNaugher (Garvagh)

14 – 16
Joanne Smyth (Coleraine)

16 – 18 Adams Cup
Alison Blair (Coleraine)

18 – 21
Kathryn Taylor (Coleraine)

21 – 25 Cochrane Cup
Barbara McFetridge (Garvagh)
**Silage Assessment**
David Reid (Coleraine)

**Efficiency Competition**
Best Club Leader
1st James Taylor (Coleraine)
2nd Diane Semple (Dungiven)
3rd Diane Steele (Curragh)

Club Secretary
1st Russell Cooper (Garvagh)
2nd Karen McIlroy (Kilrea)
3rd Emma Colhoun (City of Derry)

Club Treasurer
1st Caroline Patterson (Kilrea)
2nd Simon Connell (Dungiven)
3rd John Cochrane (Coleraine)

**Club PRO**
1st Jaqueline McCart (Garvagh)
2nd Zita Blair (Moneymore)
3rd Adelle Milligan (Curragh)

Best Club
1st Dungiven
2nd Garvagh
3rd Kilrea

**H.A. McIlrath Cup**
Senior member of the year
Karen McIlroy (Kilrea)

**Adrian Cooper Cup**
Junior member of the year
James Purcell (Dungiven)
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The annual dinner dance and presentation of awards held in the Silverbirch Hotel, Omagh on Friday 7th November 2008 provided members with the opportunity to step out in style. Chairman of Rural Youth Europe, Robin Swann was on hand on hand to present the awards including the prestigious Members’ Member trophy which was awarded to Hannah Edgar (Trillick YFC) and the “Super Club” title which went to Cappagh YFC. TEC Dairy Supplies were the new sponsors of the “Miss Tyrone” competition which was won by Emma Cummings (Derg Valley YFC).

The next event in the County calendar saw junior members put their best foot forward in the indoor football competition with a team from Newtownstewart YFC emerging as the winners.

The County quiz in February 2009 saw a battle of the minds in both the junior and senior sections as members pitted their wits against each other. Cappagh YFC was victorious in both sections and thanks to Mr James Taylor who had a hard task on his hands as he judged the Tyrone YFC Member of the Year competition.

March 2009 saw the County recognise the work and effort of all clubs and office bearers at the Efficiency Awards dinner dance kindly sponsored by Omagh Meats.

Following on from the County AGM, a residential training weekend was held in Tir Navar, Derrygonnelly to allow everyone the chance to learn more about their new roles and the organisation.

The highlight of the YFCU calendar saw members take to the road to Armagh to the YFCU AGM where Cappagh YFC member William Wilson was voted in as Deputy President to the organisation.

May was a busy month for Tyrone members as they took to the stage in the Ken Russell Rose Bowl. Linda Steele acted as judge for the evening who had no easy task on her hands but eventually decided that Cappagh YFC were worthy recipients of the Rosebowl.

Balmoral Show saw the County well represented in the tractor handling and tug of war with notable wins for Cappagh YFC in the girls’ football and Chloe Ewing (Seskinore YFC) who took first place in the junior floral arts competition.

The County also held its well established tug of war competition at Omagh Rugby club. A combined Strabane & Cappagh team proved their strength in the junior competition to take the coveted top spot with Strabane & Derg Valley lifting the senior title. With a £300 prize fund in the open section, competition was fierce but it was Balmoral champions, Kilwaughter YFC, who pulled their way to victory and lifted the prize fund.

Omagh Show 2009 allowed Tyrone YFC the chance to showcase the organisation and information was keenly shared on all that the association has to offer. The County organised a range of “traditional games” for the public to enter and were hosting a number of the Miss Macras 2008 for the weekend which was rounded off with a very successful BBQ and dance.

In a rare glimpse of summer sun, the County outdoor football competition took place in July. With an excellent turn out from all clubs it was a great night with Seskinore YFC winning both the senior male and female sections and Newtownstewart YFC taking the junior male title.

The final event of the calendar was a competitions night held in August. Members took part in a knockout, tractor handling and farm safety and thanks must go to Agri Power Omagh for providing the tractor.

The County committee extends its thanks to all of the members and clubs in Tyrone for their support and to the Presidential team and staff at HQ for all of their help.

Elaine Sproule
County Secretary 2009/10
County Tyrone

Results Co Tyrone 2008/09

Senior Member of the Year
Philip Richardson, Cookstown YFC

Junior Member of the Year
Jason Sproule, Cappagh YFC

Members’ Member
Hannah Edgar, Trillick YFC

Miss Tyrone
Emma Cummings, Derg Valley YFC

Super Club
Cappagh YFC

Swimming
Under 16 male
Matthew Donaldson, Cappagh

Over 16 male
Darren Arnold, Cappagh

Silage Making
James Alcorn, Clanabogan YFC

Public Speaking
Prepared
12-14 Gemma Donnell, Derg Valley YFC
14-16 Hannah Rainey, Seskinore YFC
16-18 Judith McKinley, Trillick YFC
18-21 Fiona Lee, Seskinore YFC
21-25 Elaine Sproule, Strabane YFC

Impromptu
16-18 Laura McKinley, Trillick YFC
18-21 Fiona Lee, Seskinore YFC
21-25 Elaine Sproule, Strabane YFC

Group Debating
12-14 Seskinore YFC
14-16 Seskinore YFC
16-18 Trillick YFC
18-21 Seskinore YFC

Home Management
Karen McCurdy, Strabane YFC

Dairy Stock Judging
12-14 Lynsey Hawkes, Seskinore YFC
14-16 David McFarland, Seskinore YFC
16-18 Aaron Shortt, Seskinore YFC
18-21 Stuart Lyons, Seskinore YFC
21-25 Graeme Hawkes, Seskinore YFC

Beef Stock Judging
12-14 Stuart Robinson, Cappagh YFC
14-16 Paula Henry, Cappagh YFC
16-18 Judith McKinley, Trillick YFC
18-21 Adam Crockett, Derg Valley YFC
21-25 William McKean, Strabane YFC

Sheep Stock Judging
12-14 Bryan McKinley, Trillick YFC
14-16 Hailey Lowry, Clanabogan YFC
16-18 Hazlet Brian, Trillick YFC
18-21 Gareth Hawkes, Seskinore YFC
21-25 Elaine Sproule, Strabane YFC

Silage Assessment
12-14: Ian Donnell, Strabane YFC
14-16: Tristan Murray, Cappagh YFC
16-18: Reece Killen, Cappagh YFC
18-21: Gareth Armstrong, Trillick YFC
21-25: Olivia Baird, Strabane YFC

Fencing
Clanabogan YFC

Build It
Castlecaulfield YFC

Tug of war
Junior: Strabane & Cappagh YFC
Senior: Strabane & Derg Valley YFC

Tag Rugby
Junior: Seskinore YFC
Senior: Seskinore YFC

Tractor Handling
Female: Clare Richardson, Cookstown YFC
Male: David Hall, Cappagh YFC

Knockout
Newtownstewart YFC

Farm Safety
Female u16: Leanne Buchanan, Strabane YFC
Female o16: Gillian Wilson (Cappagh YFC) & Jenni Crockett (Derg Valley YFC)
Male u16: Matthew Alexander, Cappagh YFC
Male o16: David Hall, Cappagh YFC

County Football
Female: Seskinore YFC
Male u16: Newtownstewart YFC
Male o16: Seskinore YFC
County Tyrone

U18 Junior Indoor Football
Newtownstewart YFC

Floral Arts
U16: Chloe Ewing, Seskinore YFC
O16: Rachel Gibson, Trillick YFC

Ulster Young Farmer
Junior: Jason Sproule, Cappagh YFC
Senior: Gareth Young, Derg Valley

Omagh Show
Poster Competition: Trillick YFC
Hostess Competition: Elaine Sproule, Strabane YFC
Floral Arts U16: Lynsey Hawkes, Seskinore YFC
O16: Emma Hughes, Trillick YFC

Photographic Competition
Green: Gillian Wilson, Cappagh YFC
Ni Landscapes: Karen McCurdy, Strabane YFC
Babies: Lisa McKelvey, Newtownstewart YFC

County Quiz
Junior: Cappagh YFC
Senior: Cappagh YFC

Efficiency Awards
Top Club: Cappagh YFC
Top Leader: Gillian Wilson, Cappagh YFC
Top Secretary: William McKeen, Strabane YFC
Top PRO: Laura Magee, Strabane YFC
Top Treasurer: Elaine Sproule, Strabane YFC

Ken Russell Rosebowl for Drama
Best Junior Actress:
Sara Baxter, Cappagh YFC

Best Senior Actress:
Claire Hilliard & Emma Hughes (Trillick YFC)

Best Junior Actor:
Richard Kee, Strabane YFC

Best Senior Actor:
Jimmy Doherty, Derg Valley YFC

Most Memorable Moment:
Derg Valley YFC

Best Use of Props & Stage Presence:
Cappagh YFC

Ken Russell Rose Bowl:
Cappagh YFC
THE YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS OF ULSTER
COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

Independent auditor's report to the members of The Young Farmers' Clubs of Ulster

Year ended 31 August 2009

We have audited the financial statements of The Young Farmers' Clubs of Ulster for the year ended 31 August 2009 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the company's shareholders, as a body, in accordance with Sections 495 and 496 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's shareholders those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's shareholders as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the statement of directors' responsibilities, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board’s (APB’s) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 August 2009 and of its surplus for the year then ended;

- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and

- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006,
THE YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS OF ULSTER
COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

Independent auditor's report to the members of The Young Farmers' Clubs of Ulster (continued)

Year ended 31 August 2009

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.
- the directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements and the directors' report in accordance with the small companies' regime.

Nigel V W Harra, senior statutory auditor
For and on behalf of BDO, statutory auditor
Lindsay House
10 Callender Street
Belfast
BT1 5BN

1 February 2010
## Statement of Financial Activities (incorporating the income and expenditure account)

**Year ended 31 August 2009**

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<td><strong>Other incoming resources</strong></td>
<td>22,014</td>
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<td>22,014</td>
<td>26,920</td>
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<td><strong>Total incoming resources</strong></td>
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<td>767,972</td>
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<td>1,064,295</td>
<td>1,103,815</td>
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<td></td>
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<td>Charitable activities</td>
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<td>(522,311)</td>
<td></td>
<td>(896,807)</td>
<td>(909,993)</td>
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<td>(12,529)</td>
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<td>(12,529)</td>
<td>(13,635)</td>
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<td><strong>Total resources expended</strong></td>
<td>(387,025)</td>
<td>(522,311)</td>
<td></td>
<td>(909,336)</td>
<td>(923,628)</td>
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<td><strong>Net incoming resources before transfers</strong></td>
<td>(90,702)</td>
<td>245,661</td>
<td></td>
<td>154,959</td>
<td>180,187</td>
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<td>Transfer between funds</td>
<td>60,060</td>
<td>(60,060)</td>
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<td><strong>Net incoming resources for the year</strong></td>
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<td>185,601</td>
<td></td>
<td>154,959</td>
<td>180,187</td>
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<td>Unrealised gains/(losses) on investments</td>
<td>(3,294)</td>
<td>(18,000)</td>
<td>(18,665)</td>
<td>(39,959)</td>
<td>(16,607)</td>
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<td><strong>Net movement in funds/net income for the year</strong></td>
<td>(33,936)</td>
<td>167,601</td>
<td>(18,665)</td>
<td>115,000</td>
<td>163,580</td>
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<td>Total funds brought forward</td>
<td>393,038</td>
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<td>196,610</td>
<td>2,193,939</td>
<td>2,030,359</td>
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<td>Total funds carried forward</td>
<td>359,102</td>
<td>1,771,892</td>
<td>177,945</td>
<td>2,308,939</td>
<td>2,193,939</td>
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The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.
## Statement of Accounts 2008-09

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<th>Note</th>
<th>2009 (£)</th>
<th>2008 (£)</th>
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<td>260,549</td>
<td>270,507</td>
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<td></td>
<td>1,093,463</td>
<td>944,580</td>
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<td>1,958</td>
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<td>39,857</td>
<td>78,077</td>
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<td>14</td>
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<td>14</td>
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<td><strong>Net current assets</strong></td>
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These financial statements were approved and signed by the members of the committee on 1 February 2010.

Mr William Wilson  
Chairman, Executive Committee

Mr Bob Esler  
Honorary Treasurer
THE YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS OF ULSTER COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

Notes to the financial statements

Year ended 31 August 2009

1. Accounting policies

   Basis of accounting

   The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for investments which are included at market value, and in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in March 2005 (SORP 2005) and the Companies Act 2006.

   Cash flow statement

   The trustees have taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 (revised) from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the charity is small.

   Fund accounting

   The Association has various types of funds for which it is responsible and which require separate disclosure. A definition of the various types of funds is as follows:

   Endowment funds

   Endowment funds are capital sums which have been presented to the Association over a long period of years, the income from which may be used to facilitate the delivery of various programmes and activities of the Association, the capital however must be retained.

   Unrestricted funds

   Unrestricted funds are amounts which are expendable at the discretion of the directors in the furtherance of the objectives of the Association. In addition to expenditure on competitions and other activities, such funds may be held in order to finance capital investment and working capital.

   Restricted funds

   Restricted funds are amounts given to the Association which are to be expended for the objects specified by the donor or are amounts received by the Clubs and County Committees for their own use in furtherance of the objectives of the Association.

   Fixed assets

   All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost.

   Depreciation

   Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

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<th>Asset Type</th>
<th>Depreciation Rate</th>
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<tr>
<td>Land &amp; Buildings</td>
<td>2% to 10%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fixtures, fittings and equipment</td>
<td>12.5% to 50%</td>
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</table>
1. Accounting policies (continued)

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Resources expended

Resources expended are recognised in the period in which they are incurred.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SoFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis.

Value added tax

The association is not registered for VAT purposes, therefore irrecoverable VAT is charged to the statement of financial activities, or capitalised as part of the cost of the related asset, where appropriate.

Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the net incoming resources for the year.

Operating leases

Annual rentals for office equipment financed by operating leases are charged to the statement of financial activities on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Investments

Investments are stated in the balance sheet at their market value as at the balance sheet date. All movements in value arising from investment changes or revaluation are shown in the statement of financial activities.
THE YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS OF ULSTER
COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

Notes to the financial statements

Year ended 31 August 2009

1. Accounting policies (continued)

Pension costs

The Association operates a money purchase group personal pension scheme for certain employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the Association in an independently administered fund, and contributions are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. Voluntary income

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<td>Donations - Ulster Farmers' Union</td>
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<td>-</td>
<td>6,400</td>
<td>6,250</td>
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<td>Donations - NFU Mutual Insurance Society Ltd</td>
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<td>-</td>
<td>6,500</td>
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<td>Donations - Northern Bank Ltd</td>
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<td>-</td>
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<td>Donations - Ulster Bank Ltd</td>
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<td>-</td>
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<td>Donations - United Dairy Farmers' Ltd</td>
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<td>Donations - John Thompson and Son</td>
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<td>Donations - TESCO</td>
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<td>16,205</td>
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<td>169,537</td>
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### Statement of Accounts 2008-09

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**Notes to the financial statements**

**Year ended 31 August 2009**

#### 3. Investment income

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<th>Total Funds 2008</th>
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<td>Income from UK listed investments</td>
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<td>£</td>
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#### 4. Incoming resources from charitable activities

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<td>£576,650</td>
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<td>Other income from charitable activities</td>
<td>£6,466</td>
<td>£</td>
<td>£6,466</td>
<td>£6,662</td>
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<td>Grant income - Bridging the Gap</td>
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#### 5. Other incoming resources

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<td>Other income</td>
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### THE YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS OF ULSTER COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

#### Notes to the financial statements

**Year ended 31 August 2009**

6. **Resources expended**

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<th>Governance</th>
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<td><strong>Direct costs</strong></td>
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<td>Wages &amp; salaries</td>
<td>124,780</td>
<td>1,326</td>
<td>126,106</td>
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<td>Competition costs</td>
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<td>130,420</td>
<td>107,173</td>
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<td>Travel &amp; subsistence</td>
<td>15,412</td>
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<td>Postage, stationery &amp; publicity</td>
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<td>31,325</td>
<td>22,657</td>
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<td>Legal &amp; professional fees</td>
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<td>Clubs</td>
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<td>340,672</td>
<td>368,082</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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<td><strong>656,803</strong></td>
<td><strong>640,572</strong></td>
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|                      |                         |            |            |            |
| **Support costs**    |                         |            |            |            |
| Wages & salaries     | 42,447                  |            | 42,447     | 39,422     |
| Premises costs       | 16,066                  |            | 16,066     | 15,629     |
| Office costs         | 24,135                  |            | 24,135     | 8,886      |
| Depreciation         | 27,643                  |            | 27,643     | 25,831     |
| Bank charges         | 618                     |            | 618        | 426        |
| Other costs          | 525                     |            | 525        | 284        |
| Clubs                | 141,099                 | 141,099    | 192,578    |            |
| **Total**            | **252,533**             |            | **252,533**| **283,056**|

|                      |                         |            |            |            |
| **Total**            | **896,807**             | **12,529** | **909,336**| **923,628**|
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Notes to the financial statements

Year ended 31 August 2009

7. Net incoming resources for the year

This is stated after charging:

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<tr>
<td>Auditors' remuneration:</td>
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<tr>
<td>- audit of the financial statements</td>
<td>£5,000</td>
<td>£5,000</td>
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8. Fund transfers

Fund transfers relate to the payment of membership subscriptions by clubs on behalf of their members to the organisation's head office.

9. Staff costs and emoluments

Total staff costs were as follows:

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<th></th>
<th>2009</th>
<th>2008</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Wages and salaries</td>
<td>£151,503</td>
<td>£133,961</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Social security costs</td>
<td>£13,554</td>
<td>£12,179</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other pension costs</td>
<td>£3,496</td>
<td>£6,236</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>£168,553</td>
<td>£152,376</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Particulars of employees:
The average number of employees during the year, calculated on the basis of full-time equivalents, was as follows:

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<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>2009</th>
<th>2008</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Number of staff</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>10</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

No employee received remuneration of more than £60,000 during the year (2008 - Nil).
## 10. Tangible fixed assets

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Land &amp; Buildings £</th>
<th>Equipment £</th>
<th>Total £</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Cost</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>At 1 September 2008</td>
<td>665,132</td>
<td>124,493</td>
<td>789,625</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Additions</td>
<td>181,285</td>
<td>5,199</td>
<td>186,484</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>At 31 August 2009</strong></td>
<td>846,417</td>
<td>129,692</td>
<td>976,109</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Depreciation</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>At 1 September 2008</td>
<td>41,666</td>
<td>73,886</td>
<td>115,552</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Charge for the year</td>
<td>17,366</td>
<td>10,277</td>
<td>27,643</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>At 31 August 2009</strong></td>
<td>59,032</td>
<td>84,163</td>
<td>143,195</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Net book value**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Land &amp; Buildings £</th>
<th>Equipment £</th>
<th>Total £</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>At 31 August 2009</strong></td>
<td>787,385</td>
<td>45,529</td>
<td>832,914</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>At 31 August 2008</strong></td>
<td>623,466</td>
<td>50,607</td>
<td>674,073</td>
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</table>

In respect of assets stated at valuations, the comparable historical cost and depreciation values are as follows:

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<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>2009 £</th>
<th>2008 £</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>NBV of revalued tangible fixed assets:</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Net book value at end of year</td>
<td>787,385</td>
<td>623,466</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Historical cost</td>
<td>124,132</td>
<td>21,430</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Additions to revalued fixed assets</td>
<td>181,285</td>
<td>102,702</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Historical cost</td>
<td>305,417</td>
<td>124,132</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Depreciation:</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>At 1 September 2008</td>
<td>3,589</td>
<td>1,106</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Charge for year</td>
<td>6,108</td>
<td>2,483</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>At 31 August 2009</strong></td>
<td>9,697</td>
<td>3,589</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Net historical cost value:</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>At 31 August 2009</strong></td>
<td>295,720</td>
<td>120,543</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>At 1 September 2008</strong></td>
<td>120,543</td>
<td>20,324</td>
</tr>
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</table>

The organisation’s freehold and leasehold properties were valued at 31 August 2005 on the basis of open market value for existing use by Watt Surveying & J A McClelland & Sons, independent Chartered Surveyors. The valuations were undertaken in accordance with the Appraisal and Valuation Manual of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors in the United Kingdom.
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11. Investments

Movement in market value

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description</th>
<th>2009</th>
<th>2008</th>
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<tr>
<td>Market value at 1 September 2008</td>
<td>270,507</td>
<td>287,113</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Acquisitions at cost</td>
<td>30,000</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Net gains on revaluations in the year ended 31 August 2009</td>
<td>(39,958)</td>
<td>(16,606)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Market value at 31 August 2009</td>
<td>260,549</td>
<td>270,507</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Historical cost at 31 August 2009                                             | 232,446 | 202,446 |

Analysis of investments at 31 August 2009 between funds

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Listed investments</th>
<th>Unrestricted Funds</th>
<th>Restricted Funds</th>
<th>Endowment Funds</th>
<th>Total Funds 2009</th>
<th>Total Funds 2008</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>UK Quoted Shares</td>
<td>16,104</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>151,945</td>
<td>168,049</td>
<td>190,007</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other investments</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other UK Investments</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>66,500</td>
<td>26,000</td>
<td>92,500</td>
<td>80,500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>16,104</td>
<td>66,500</td>
<td>177,945</td>
<td>260,549</td>
<td>270,507</td>
</tr>
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</table>

12. Stocks

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>2009</th>
<th>2008</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>£</td>
<td>£</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stock</td>
<td>1,537</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

13. Debtors

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>2009</th>
<th>2008</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>£</td>
<td>£</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other debtors</td>
<td>15,797</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Prepayments</td>
<td>24,060</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>39,857</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

14. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>2009</th>
<th>2008</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>£</td>
<td>£</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Trade creditors</td>
<td>2,508</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other creditors</td>
<td>1,698</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Accruals</td>
<td>25,773</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>29,979</td>
</tr>
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15. Endowment funds

| Expendable endowments                                      | Balance at 1 September 2008 £ | Outgoing resources £ | Balance at 31 August 2009 £ |
|***************************************************************|*********************************|**************************|*****************************|
| President's appeal fund                                    | 3,886                         | (588)                 | 3,298                       |
| King George VI Leadership Memorial Fund                    | 8,577                         | (1,297)               | 7,280                       |
| Public Speaking Competition                                | 367                           | (51)                  | 316                         |
| Golden Jubilee Endowment Fund                              | 53,616                        | (2,665)               | 50,951                      |
| Richard Chambers Prize Fund                                | 478                           | (66)                  | 412                         |
| McAllister Prize Fund                                      | 500                           | –                     | 500                         |
| Young Farmers' Clubs of Ulster Trust                       | 62,241                        | (5,597)               | 56,644                      |
| 40th Anniversary Leadership Training                      | 23,103                        | (1,769)               | 21,334                      |
| Clubs and County Committees                               | 43,842                        | (6,632)               | 37,210                      |
| **Total**                                                  | **196,610**                   | **(18,665)**          | **177,945**                 |

Endowment funds are capital sums which have been presented to the Association over a long period of years, the income from which may be used to facilitate the delivery of various programmes and activities of the Association, the capital however must be retained.

16. Restricted income funds

| Restricted income funds                                      | Balance at 1 Sep 2008 £ | Income resources £ | Outgoing resources £ | Transfers £ | Balance at 31 Aug 2009 £ |
|***************************************************************|**************************|**********************|**************************|******************|**************************|
| Millennium Volunteers                                       | –                          | 16,205              | (16,205)               | –            | –                        |
| Clubs and County Committees                                 | 1,604,291                  | 751,767             | (524,106)              | (60,060)     | 1,771,892                |
| **Total**                                                   | **1,604,291**              | **767,972**         | **(540,311)**          | **(60,060)** | **1,771,892**            |
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16. Restricted income funds (continued)

A summary of the Clubs and County Committees' statement of financial activities is as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>2009</th>
<th>2008</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Incoming resources</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Grants and donations</td>
<td>202,642</td>
<td>207,107</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Competitions and other activities</td>
<td>501,789</td>
<td>550,595</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Investment income</td>
<td>14,383</td>
<td>22,476</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sponsorship</td>
<td>10,938</td>
<td>15,145</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other income</td>
<td>22,015</td>
<td>26,920</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total incoming resources</strong></td>
<td>751,767</td>
<td>822,243</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Resources expended</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Competitions and other activities</td>
<td>340,672</td>
<td>368,082</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Administration and operational costs</td>
<td>52,440</td>
<td>73,963</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Establishment costs</td>
<td>64,792</td>
<td>70,123</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other expenditure</td>
<td>66,202</td>
<td>68,711</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total resources expended</strong></td>
<td>524,106</td>
<td>580,879</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Net incoming resources before transfers</strong></td>
<td>227,661</td>
<td>241,364</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Transfers to unrestricted funds</td>
<td>(60,060)</td>
<td>(53,736)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Net incoming resources</strong></td>
<td>167,601</td>
<td>187,628</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Fund balances brought forward at 1 September 2008</strong></td>
<td>1,604,291</td>
<td>1,416,663</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Fund balances carried forward at 31 August 2009</strong></td>
<td>1,771,892</td>
<td>1,604,291</td>
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17. Unrestricted income funds

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Balance at 1 Sep 2008 £</th>
<th>Incoming resources £</th>
<th>Outgoing resources £</th>
<th>Transfers £</th>
<th>Balance at 31 Aug 2009 £</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>General Funds</td>
<td>393,038</td>
<td>296,323</td>
<td>(390,319)</td>
<td>60,060</td>
<td>359,102</td>
</tr>
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</table>
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18. Analysis of net assets between funds

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Tangible fixed assets £</th>
<th>Investments £</th>
<th>Net current assets £</th>
<th>Total £</th>
</tr>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Restricted Income Funds:</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Clubs and County Committees</td>
<td>826,778</td>
<td>66,500</td>
<td>878,614</td>
<td>1,771,892</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Endowment Funds:</strong></td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Endowment Funds</td>
<td>177,945</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>177,945</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Unrestricted Income Funds</strong></td>
<td>6,136</td>
<td>16,104</td>
<td>326,862</td>
<td>359,102</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total Funds</strong></td>
<td>832,914</td>
<td>260,549</td>
<td>1,215,476</td>
<td>2,308,939</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

19. Related party transactions

During the year the company was under the control of the Executive Committee.

There were no transactions with related parties such as are required to be disclosed under FRS 8.

20. Company limited by guarantee

The Young Farmers' Clubs of Ulster is a Company Limited by Guarantee and does not have share capital. The liability of each member is limited to an amount not exceeding £1. The number of registered members for this purpose was 2,378.
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