

THE BOWYER FAMILY MEMORIAL TRUST

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Newsletter – April 2004

As it is now a year since the last Newsletter and we only saw one or two more than the usual few members at our stand at the Wokingham Show last year, I thought it was time to write to you all again.

Again we have had interest in the use of the horse field for car boot sales this summer, which brings in welcome income to the Trust, as not many people have taken up new covenants or used the tax-saving donation scheme!

In the last 12 months we have given £1,500 directly to Berkshire County YFC to help all members of YFCs in Berkshire, and have also sent a generous donation to a young lady who is an active leader in Berkshire YFC and who is making a trip around the world studying farming ways in those far flung countries, and intends visiting all YFCs on her return to talk to members about her experiences.

We have also placed advertisements for our charity in Agricultural Society schedules, thereby supporting those Associations and helping our marketing. We have sponsored the Berks YFC Newsletter, and continue to help and support Kerr Kirkwood, to produce the 'History of WRAA', as I have said before there is a chapter solely on the Bowyer family and their connections with the Association, and we feel it is a very worthwhile cause.

The Berkshire YFC County Show this year is on **Sunday 23rd May 2004** and is to be held at Newbury Showground. We shall again be having a corner of one of their marquees for our stand, and if anyone is available to help on that date, please let us know.

Unfortunately due to many mitigating circumstances we are unable to hold a Family Fun Day again this year, but this will definitely be held in 2005.

Again we hope to have a working attraction by our stand at the **Wokingham Show on Sunday 5th September 2004** and also a raffle with just a few very good prizes, as this worked very well last year– **please do come.**

There have been a few amendments to our website this year, and also you will see we are offering the limited edition prints of RFAA Show 2000 for sale for £15 – for those who haven't a computer, contact the secretary for a paper copy of the picture if you are interested – 50% of this money goes to BFMT funds.

Lastly I regret to inform you that Caroline Adams has resigned from the committee due to family commitments, but we welcome on board Mr Stephen Bennett.

