

# NORTH WILTS TRAINING GROUP NEWSLETTER



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## NWTG Summer newsletter

I hope all the cows are enjoying the summer grass, and looking forward to the delicious silage the showers and sun are producing for the winter. The record heat has certainly brought the crops forward.

Please think ahead to the training needed for the harvest period especially telehandler courses and sprayer qualifications, also see the combine efficiency course and pre-harvest health and safety course.

Make sure your first aid, manual handling and working at heights are all up to date. Let me know your course requirements.

Help to reduce the number of farming accidents. Training plays an important part in keeping the farm workforce safe, and thus reducing personal devastation. Keep your training up to date.

## COURSES (dates and venue dependent on bookings)

- **Pre-Harvest Health and Safety Course**

28th June 2022. 10 am-3 pm Venue near Marlborough  
Lectures from Cliff Emmerson (Velcourt Health and Safety director)tbc  
Agricultural Vehicle Road Use (Pc Cox, Avon & Somerset)  
OpArtemis (Pc Jackson)  
Thomas Price (NFU transport expert).

### Five Round Robin Scenarios

- 1) Power lines Mat Beale, Farm Consultancy Group
- 2) First Aid- Wiltshire First Aid
- 3) Grain store safety- Kevin Short, from T H White
- 4) Combine safety- personnel from Claas Western Richard Hutchinson.
- 5) Trailer safety- person from T H White
- 6) Fire Safety- focusing on fire extinguishers, MKMS training services.

## **Increasing Combine Efficiency course**

23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022

For straw walker combines and for rotary combines

£50-£80 pp depending on the numbers

Optional in-field follow-up during harvest

Trainer: Ted Dredge      Venue: Cherhill

## **001407 Level 2 Award in Agricultural Tractor Driving and Related Operations**

30<sup>th</sup> June and 8<sup>th</sup> July, two-day course

Venue: Cherhill      £275pp if full

It covers safe driving of a tractor, pre-use maintenance, safety checks and recognition of controls and instruments. The test of covers the use of the tractor in a range of situations: driving safely and correctly around a suitable course (including reversing with a trailer), trailer hitching, attaching 3-point linkage and Power Take Off (PTO) driven attachments. There is an optional unit that covers the use of a tractor fitted with a front end loader

## **FIRST AID COURSES**

### **Emergency First Aid at Work**

One day course

Can be conducted over two-part days (between milkings/evenings) or one day, six hours total.

Sensible for all employees to have training.

This course provides employers First Aid cover for emergencies. The course also includes an introduction to AED Defibrillation.

### **First Aid for Mental Health**

## **PESTICIDE APPLICATION COURSES**

- **021694 PA1**

Safe use of pesticides, PA1 must be passed by anyone wishing to take other PA courses.

- **021652 PA4g**

This is needed by anyone wishing to apply granules.

- **021650 PA2**

Is needed to operate mounted or trailed boom sprayers. It is also needed if you wish to operate most weed wiper types of applicator.

- **021654 PA6**

For anyone applying pesticides using a hand-held lance: knapsack or vehicle mounted.

## **FARM RISK ASSESSMENT DAY PLANNED FOR NOVEMBER 2022**

### **ORGANISING / BOOKING A PLACE ON A COURSE**

Please contact NWTG, by email or telephone, for **any** courses you would like arranged.

Below are examples of our most popular courses:

#### **NPTC Pest Control of Rats and Mice**

**New User and refresher telehandler courses** - employers need to provide adequate training: refreshers courses usually done every three-five years, or for a change of machine/ change of use.

#### **Basic Tractor training (for aged 13-16)**

#### **Welding (Mig and Arc), Abrasive wheels**

#### **ATV training**

#### **Manual Handling, and Working at heights**

#### **Chain saw training:**

1. Chainsaw saw maintenance and cross-cutting
2. Chainsaw Maintenance, Cross-cutting and Basic Felling up to 200mm
3. Chainsaw maintenance cross-cutting and felling up to 15" diameter.

#### **Livestock courses:**

Including Infectious Disease Control on Dairy Units, and Cattle Handling