

# NORTH WILTS TRAINING GROUP NEWSLETTER



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## NWTG Autumn newsletter

I hope all the members had a good summer and harvests, and the planting is going well.

The pre-harvest health and safety course was very well attended, fifty attendees. Many thanks to NFU Mutual Marlborough, Amy Riley and John Hardman, for sponsoring the day and helping with the organisation. A big thank you to Katie Davies, NFU Wiltshire County Adviser, for MC'ing the proceedings. Other local businesses and services gave their time for free, and NWTG are hugely grateful for this: Pc Cox Avon & Somerset Police, OpArtemis Pc Jackson Wiltshire Police, Peter Lord Farm Manager Dyson Farming, Ollie Simons Fire Fighter, Adrian Hares Farm Community Network, Mat Beale The Farm Consultancy Group, Dawn Moore TH Whites, Richard Hutchinson Claas Western. Also thank you to D G White for hosting the day for the fifth year in a row.

The NWTG committee thanks these local businesses for their generosity and time which enabled more harvest workers to attend.

AGM: will be in February 2024, if anyone can recommend a speaker, or a topic to be discussed please let the training organiser know.

## COURSES (dates and venue dependent on bookings)

### Chainsaw course

### **Lantra Certification for crosscutting and maintenance and small tree basic felling to 200mm**

November 2023, dates tbc, funding will be applied for  
Maximum 4 on course.

Day 1, In workshop. Day 2, Morning in workshop, afternoon on-site. Day, 3 on-site felling  
Requirements: trainees to bring Saw / Maintenance tools, PPE etc.  
9 am – 4 pm each day.

## Pesticide application courses

- **021694 PA1** 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023 s– this is full, I can arrange another day  
Safe use of pesticides, PA1 must be passed by anyone wishing to take other PA courses.

- **021650 PA2** 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023

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 and PA6w** 14<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – this is full, I can arrange another day  
Is needed by anyone wishing to apply pesticides using a hand-held lance or knapsack type applicators. The lance may be vehicle-mounted.

## Telescopic new user course, two-day course

October 2023

Venue: SN10

Cost: £270

## ORGANISING / BOOKING A PLACE ON A COURSE

Please contact NWTG, by email or telephone, for any training courses which you would like arranged. Below are examples of our most popular courses:

- NPTC Pest Control of Rats and Mice

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

- Basic Tractor training (for aged 13-16)

- Welding (Mig and Arc), Abrasive wheels

- ATV training

- Livestock courses

- Manual Handling

- Chain saw training

- Infectious Disease Control on Dairy Units

- Cattle Handling

Practical Tractor Driving course for Proficiency Test (16year olds)

Experienced User Telehandler course