

### **February 2024 Bulletin**

#### Welcome

My prediction in January that the rain will stop very soon was a little premature and very little field work has taken place this year so far. When Spring does finally come things will be incredibly busy so do keep in touch with your requirements and your availability.

With your invoices you get a link to tell us how the team did in arranging that job. Do use this so that we can see what we are doing really well and areas we need to look at.

Our Fuelcards are still getting more popular and the savings are very significant indeed. If you have not yet tried one yet this is a good time to give it a go - no annual card fee - you only pay for the fuel you draw. If you have previously tried for a BP card, please ask us again as they are now available.

Ring the Ring for Anything

Send us an e-mail



# AGM Wednesday 13th March 10am Green Hotel, Kinross

For the first time we are hosting the AGM as a morning meeting with coffee & bacon rolls. Do come along and hear how your Ring has done in the past year. Two young farmers will then tell you of their far flung study tours.



#### Are you Available for work?

With there having been such a prolonged spell of wet weather, this has led to a large back load of field work still to be done, from dung spreading, ploughing, cultivating, sowing and more.

Please phone us if you have spare capacity whether it be labour only, or with machines, to take on work this Spring so we can mark you available on our system. By doing this, it allows us to provide a more efficient service to both Demander and Supplier.



Did you know that the whole world has been divided up into 3 meter squares and can be addressed simply by 3 words – there's an App for that!

Tayforth has several members who are now using "What 3 Words" to get accurate delivery locations. Simply go onto the **what3words** app and find the location where you would like the item to be delivered to. Each 3 meter square has a unique 3-word combination, thus making it an easy way to find and share exact locations. When placing orders going forward please ask the Tayforth team if the supplier uses What 3 Words to ensure delivery to the correct location.

This has already proven to be very effective - especially if there is going to be no-one on site.



#### **Demonstrations**

The European farmers are very good at demonstration (and very successful) as we have all seen on our screens.

One placard read "Without us, you will be Hungry, Naked and Sober"







What a good start to 2024 for Tayforth Training. We have been extremely busy with a vast range of courses held all over Scotland for both members and non-members. Thank you again for your support. We organise both Lantra assessed courses and City & Guilds assessed awards at a time and place to suit you. Our training covers both legislative and non-legislative requirements. We have access to instructors who will travel anywhere in Scotland.

Lambing time is almost here, please ensure your staff have up to date Quad Bike certificates and if they are moving animals around, they might need to complete an animal transportation test.

If you are transporting animals from your farm over 65km you must hold a Certificate of Competence for short journeys. To obtain this certificate you need to complete a multiple-choice test online with results given straight after it.

We can host a full range of courses including Industrial and Telescopic Forklift; Chainsaw Maintenance; Cross Cutting & Felling; Pesticide PA1, PA2, PA4, PA6, PA11 & PASC; Brushcutter/ Strimmer; First Aid Courses and many more.

We are looking to host 'Safe Use of Aluminium of Phosphide for Vertebrate' course (mole control) within the next few months. If you are wishing to use Phostoxin or Talunex to control moles you will require this. If it's something you would be looking to do, let me know.



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