

On-farm Health & Safety



Delivered in partnership with the Farming Connect Knowledge Transfer Programme.

WALES FARM SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

Events

- › We attended 3 YFC Club nights where our Ambassadors engaged with the members and demonstrated safe practice on farm through discussion, videos and presentation.
- › We attended 2 open days at a new Ceredigion Council Farm, 500 people in attendance including schools from the local area. We held a quiz where attendees could win an ATV helmet.
- › Key stakeholders were also in attendance that included the FUW, NFU, CCF and local YFC.

Shows

Another successful year was had at the Winter Fair!

- › We engaged with 100s of visitors, farmers and stakeholders. Launched the new 'Jengyd' game at the Wales YFC Rural Affairs breakfast. 'Jengyd' is an 'escape room' in a box game, that's aimed at young people, all based on Farm Safety practices.
- › Farm signs, activity books and information booklets remained to be very popular again this year.
- › Alun Elidyr, one of our Ambassadors helped out on stand and Bob the Dog also made a few appearances.



Marketing

- › Continued to promote ATV Safety including Social Media, S4C TV advert
- › Launched Jengyd, escape room in a box.
- › Glyn Davies featured on BBC Bwletin Amaeth
- › Jengyd featured on news item - S4C Newyddion
- › Food Story Wales

Accredited Training

1299 training courses have been completed in this period, examples of courses include:

First Aid at Work
Manual Handling
Sit in ATV
Sit Astride ATV
Tractor Driving
Trailer Towing on Road
Working at Heights Awareness and Risk Assessment
360 Degree Digger

"Daily checks – more confident to do. More confident to know how to deal with driving on banks."

"During this training, we learnt how to protect myself/family and the public in and around our farm."
(ATV Course)

E-learning

2979 modules have been completed within this period, examples include:

	individuals who completed the module
Mandatory Unit: Health and Safety – Risk Management in Forestry and Farming	306
Mandatory Unit: Rodent Control	287
Health and Safety in Agriculture	247
Mandatory Unit: Pesticide Safety	79
Health and Safety in Horticulture	22
Mental Health in Agriculture	20

Our Farms Network

At Tyddyn Cae, adopting cow collar technology removed the need to use bulls and reduced physical cattle checking, creating a safer working environment for farmers and staff while maintaining herd fertility whilst providing a cost saving of £17,735 and payment for the technology of 2.3 years whilst ensuring on-going high health & safety for the farm team.

Agrisgôp



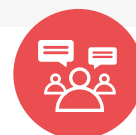
Health and safety, including mental health

 **4** Agrisgôp meetings looked at elements of health and safety, including mental health

Meetings include:

1. The group reflected on recent visits and speakers, sharing changes they had implemented and areas for further improvement. Discussion included how behaviours can impact mental health, the importance of open conversations, and the use of improved listening and questioning skills to manage challenging situations.
2. The session reviewed how farmers felt the project was progressing, the barriers they faced, and what was enabling progress. Open discussion around bovine TB, including TB risk ratings, biosecurity visits, and blood testing, allowed farmers to share concerns and support each other, which was recognised as beneficial to their mental health. The session focused on reducing TB, maintaining a healthy herd, and improving animal health and productivity.

Discussion Groups



During this period the meeting content of **13** discussion groups covered Health and Safety in detail.

Meetings covered:



Health & Safety awareness for employers



Time management



Safe livestock handling

Advisory Service



34 Advisory claims were made under the technical Health and Safety category.

Some Examples of the instances were:
Business Planning | Farmyard Infrastructure |
Succession Planning | Animal Health

Mentoring



Health and safety, including mental health

 **7** mentoring sessions covered health and safety

Diary extracts include:

1. Farm visits and discussion covered cattle grazing options, low input grassland management, tree safety management and hedgerow restoration.
2. The session reviewed health and safety standards required for both farm and contracting businesses, including existing documentation such as risk assessments and method statements. Required qualifications for working with organisations such as the National Trust and NRW were discussed, alongside additional health and safety documentation requested by clients, including site inspections, audit reports, Construction Design and Management records, and the potential need for ISO 14001 and ISO 9001 accreditation.