



On-farm Health & Safety

Delivered in partnership with the Farming Connect Knowledge Transfer Programme.



Events



Attended an on farm meeting with Menna Williams, Farming Connect at Blaenglowon, Talgarreg. Emily Grant, an independent consultant and sheep farmer from Perthshire, who specialises in helping sheep and beef producers develop resilient pasture-based farming systems delivered a presentation on grazing systems. During the event, safe livestock handling and safe use of ATV were discussed with farmers present. Literature was shared outlining the support available. Farm safety signs were also distributed to all present.



Shows

RWAS Winter Fair

New farm safety signs were launched at the RWAS Winter Fair, and demand proved to be very popular. A competition was run and attendees had the chance to win an ATV helmet.

[Farm safety and skills training key themes at Royal Welsh Winter Fair](#)



Engaged with the Primary School children at the event.



Case studies



Farmer injured in post-driver accident raises awareness around safe use

16.2k reach with The Brecon and Radnor Express today.

Accredited Training



134

Individuals Supported

95

Businesses Supported

938

Hours Delivered



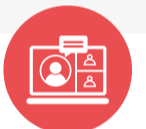
Of the **28** courses available



14 courses were undertaken

Courses Included:

- Sit-Astride ATV's including loads and trailed equipment
- Level 3 Award – Food Safety in Catering, Manufacturing or Retail
- Rough Terrain Telescopic Lift Truck
- Working safely in Agriculture / Horticulture



E-learning

388

Individuals Supported

178

Businesses Supported

Of the **8 modules available on BOSS**, individuals completed **7 modules**.

Courses completed included:

- Farm Safety – Working Safely with Livestock
- Farm Safety – Working Safely with All Terrain Vehicles (ATV's)
- Farm Safety – Working Safely with Tractors

- Mandatory Unit: Health & Safety – risk management in forestry & farming
- Mandatory Unit: Pesticide safety



Agrisgôp

1 Agrisgôp meeting has taken place.

This Agrisgôp group focused on Mental Health and having a positive outlook on Mental Health.

“The meeting was hugely successful with full engagement and a robust plan to go forward was introduced with all members gaining confidence.”

Training

Brian Rees Farm Safety Awareness with the Junior Academy at the Moody Cow, Llwynceilyn.



The Welsh Whisperer attended 15 Primary Schools in Wales, promoting **Nice One Bob!** Farm safety story book to 1200 pupils.

An e-learning module, Children's Safety On-farm has been translated and will be available in the Summer.

Videos

Telehandler handling and **using a quad safely** videos were launched in February on Farming Connect's YouTube channel.

A video was created promoting the YFC competition encouraging all counties to take part.

Publicity

Glyn Davies, Wales Farm Safety Partnership Ambassador and Meleri Jones featured on S4C's Prynawn Da programme following Alwyn Watkins' case study (Welsh magazine programme).

Beca Glyn, Wales Farm Safety Partnership Ambassador featured on the BBC's Countryfile programme.

Demonstration Network

100% of the Health & Safety checks on the 15 Demonstration Farms have been completed.



Health & Safety CPD was provided to the Our Farms Demonstration Farmers via a series of short videos working in partnership with Sisters in Wellies.



12 on-farm projects across the Our Farms Network focusing on machinery safety, working with animals, fall prevention & health of humans (zoonosis awareness).



Working with animals: To reduce the requirement of handling beef cattle, an automated cattle weigher has been installed for the data collection of the project at Tanygraig – Will compensatory growth result in reducing feeding cost without impacting on overall performance?



Working with animals: To remove the need for individual cow milk sampling for Somatic Cell Counts, GenoCells is being trialled at Moor Farm: The role of Genocells to identify high Somatic Cell Count cows within a herd using a single bulk tank sample.



Health of humans: To raise awareness around zoonosis, the project at Graianfryn focusing on calf housing has included installing a hand-washing station with hot water – New Calf Housing System at Graianfryn.



Falls prevention & machinery safety: These aspects of Health & safety will be included in the project at Glyn Arthur focusing on Regenerating Existing Woodland through management.

Mentoring

4.5

hours of mentoring have taken place

3

Meetings

Extracts from mentoring diaries include:

- 1) We discussed a range of topics such as food hygiene for level 2 catering
- 2) The mentee is applying for new jobs as the current contract ends in April. The mentee was supported to look for other prospects/jobs/careers and we discussed these subjects. The mentee had a positive mental attitude about a new career within agriculture.
- 3) The mentee to contact the local council to understand the regulations in regard to using home premises to prepare foodstuff for birthday parties and obtain level 2 food hygiene (catering) and download the Safer Food, Better Business PDF and work through the pages.

Horticulture Business Support



7 training sessions,
8 individuals,
7 businesses.

Food safety CPD through Horticulture Business support has been delivered to 7 businesses.

This has allowed them to complete the Grower Standard that is required to be able to supply the "Welsh Vegetables into schools".

1 Grower has decided not to supply in 2024 but is working towards it for 2025. The other 6 Growers have completed the grower standard and are supplying Castell Howell who are then supplying into schools across Wales.

This group of growers have formed the "Welsh Veg into schools" supply chain cluster.

