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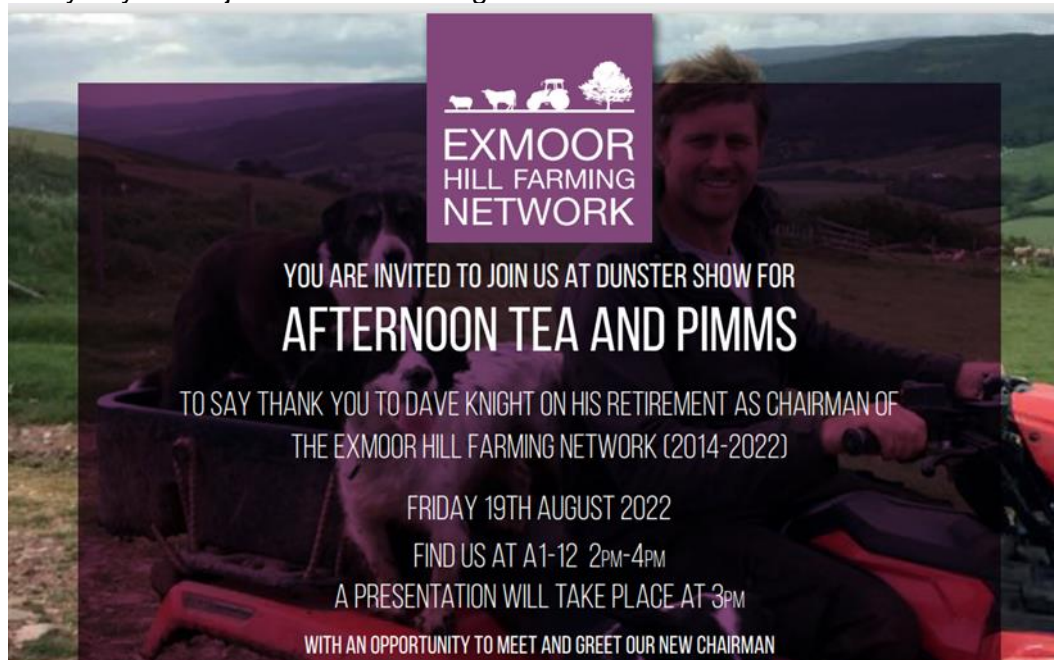
Please be vigilant

Last week, (Tuesday 5th) Exmoor witnessed two local hardworking businesses robbed of chainsaw equipment in the Luxborough area and a pick-up truck from Horner. Further to this, over the weekend wood was stolen near Hawkridge. If you witness anything suspicious, please call **101** immediately.

Latest News

Dunster Show Celebration - Friday 19th August 2022

After eight years at the helm of the Exmoor Hill Farming Network, Dave Knight is retiring as Chairman later this month due to increasing family commitments. Dave's quiet and confident leadership has created the independent and nationally recognised organisation it is today, gaining him huge respect and many friends. He will continue as a member of the Network's Board of Directors. Following Dave's retirement, from August Ian May, local sheep, and beef farmer on the southern edge of Exmoor, will succeed him as chairman. Ian is hopefully known to some of you. With the support of the Board of Directors and under the continued coordination of the existing network team members (Katherine and Kirsty) the organisation will continue to support and represent Exmoor farmers and farming. We hope many of you will join us and raise a glass to thank Dave.



Key partners:



Peer Support Groups

Forward Farming Group July Meeting

Farm Visit to Oaremead **Date:** Thursday 21st July **Time:** 7pm -9.30pm **Venue:** Oaremead Farm, Oare, Lynton by kind permission of Mr and Mrs T Burge. Please book for catering purposes admin@ehfn.org.uk

Exmoor Women in Farming Group Annual Summer Walk

Date: Monday 15th August 2022 **Time:** 6pm -9pm.

Route: Dunkery Beacon, Horner Wood ,finishing up at Horner Farm for a bring and share picnic by kind permission of Mark Brewer and Holly Purdey. Please save the date for now whilst details are arranged.

Open Events

Red Tractor Assurance

Save the date.... An Introduction to Red Tractor Assurance. Save the date: **Tuesday 23rd August- 7pm – 9pm**, Exford Social Club. Join representatives from SAI Global for an information evening on what is involved during an inspection, cross compliance, record keeping with an opportunity for Q and A session. Further details to follow nearer the time. Please save the date for now.

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Joint Health and Safety Event with NFU.

Date: Friday 9th September 2022 **Time:** 1.30pm – 5pm **Location:** Cutcombe Market by kind permission of Exmoor Farmers. We will be joined by NFU representatives and local businesses from Mason Kings, Bridgmans and Ark ATV for an informative workshop on farm related health and safety topics. Lunch will be provided. This event is **OPEN** to all.

Training Opportunities

Mastering Medicines

As of 1st November 2021, Red Tractor has introduced a new compulsory standard, where at least one member of staff has undertaken a Mastering Medicines training course and holds a certificate of competence. We are taking bookings for a September date due to popular demand if this of interest please get in touch with us. **Date:** Tuesday 6th September 2022 **Venue:** Cutcombe Market **Time:** 1pm for 1.15am start– 4pm. To book your place, please contact the office admin@ehfn.org.uk .

Other Interest



NSA Sheep 2022 Event

Date: Wednesday 27th July 2022 **Location:** Three Counties Showground, Malvern, Worcestershire

NSA Sheep Event is a biennial one-day show held at the Three Counties Showground, Malvern, Worcestershire. It is the flagship event of the National Sheep Association, complemented by a series of regional events held within a

two-year calendar. As well as finding out about the latest innovations and products available to them, sheep farmers can strengthen their technical knowledge by attending seminars and workshops. A series of competitions is also run throughout the day, providing entertainment and encouraging the next generation of sheep farmers, while a sheepdog sale is always a big draw for visitors. **If anyone is interested in car sharing from Exmoor, please let us know.** Entry is free for NSA members; they do **not** require a ticket on production of a valid membership card at the gate*. Non NSA members **do** require a ticket. Buy one for £20 on the gate or access a 20% discount by buying online in advance. Click the link above. Website:

[NSA Sheep Event | National Sheep Association](https://www.sheepevent.org.uk)



Free drop in faecal egg counting sessions Monday 8th August – save the date
11am – 2pm until end of sale at Cutcombe Market, with thanks to Exmoor Farmers



Devon & Cornwall Police

Are you a farmer? What is your view and experience of crime and policing in the countryside? HAVE A SAY! (details attached) This survey is being undertaken by the University of Plymouth and University of Winchester with the support of Devon and Cornwall Police. It is part of a project examining farmers' experiences of crime and policing that is being funded by the Seale Hayne Educational Trust. The aims of the project are to:

1. map the nature and location of crime in rural places;
2. analyse the impact of crime, and fear of crime, on farming;
3. work with police and stakeholders to evaluate and improve farm security.

All responses will be anonymous unless you complete the final section with your details. The project has received ethical approval from the University of Plymouth. [Rural Crime Survey Final \(onlinesurveys.ac.uk\)](https://onlinesurveys.ac.uk) Please note this is only open to farmers within the Devon county.



Exmoor Rural Health Hub

The Health Hub will be operating from The Moorland Hall, Wheddon Cross on the following date: **Wednesday 20th July** between **11.30am -3.30pm**. No booking necessary. For further information please visit [Dates for your diary – Exmoor Rural Health Hub \(erhh.co.uk\)](http://erhh.co.uk)

Commercial Adverts

BOOKKEEPER – for Estate Office near Timberscombe

One day a week/two mornings, occasional extra. One day to be Mondays if possible. Help with office admin an advantage.

There is also a role for anyone with an understanding of DIGITAL MAPPING

Telephone or text: 07920 180 771.

General Farm Worker

A general farm worker required to work on a beef farm in a 5-mile radius of Wheddon Cross. This is a full-time position, duties will include tractor / handler driving , feeding cattle and looking after cattle.

The farm is approx. 450 acres and the intention is to finish 500 cattle a year.

The position would suit anybody who is keen to learn and work on an active farm, experience is not essential as training can be given however a full driving licence is essential. Good rates of pay are available but depends on ability and experience.

Please call Mike for further information on 07974567011 or 0800317822.

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