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2024

Cystadleuaeth Cwmpo Coed CAFC Atodlen a Rheolau

RWAS Treefelling Competition Schedule and Regulations

Cynhelir ar / To be held on
Saturday 29 & Sunday 30 June
2024

yn / at

Pale Woods, near Bala, LL23 7RH

By kind permission of Gresham House Forestry & Tilhill Forestry

Ceisiadau Olaf

Closing date for entries

28 Mai / 28 May 2024

Tâl Ymgeisio

Entry Fee

£20.00 per entry (classes 1 & 2)

£10.00 per entry (class 3 & 4)

Cyflwyniad Gwobrau

Presentation of Awards

Sunday 30 June at 4.00pm

Manylion cyswllt

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Judges

Mr Alun R Jones

Mr Chris Hughes

Mr James Archer

Mr Jeff Jones

Mr Andrew Fletcher

Mr Cliff Cook

Cadeirydd Coedwigaeth – Chairman - Forestry

Mr Iwan Lloyd-Williams

Prif Stiward Adrânnol / Chief Sectional Steward

Mrs Victoria Laurie

Stiwardiaid / Stewards

Mr Richard Siddons

Mr Brian Barker

Mr George Johnson

Mr Ian Sheffner

Mr Llion Jones

Mr Hefin Hughes

Mrs Arianwen Cook

Mrs Bethan Hughes

NODDWYR / SPONSORS

This competition is generously sponsored by:
Confederation of Forest Industries (UK) Ltd (Confor)
MWMAC Ltd.

Forestry Contractors Association

Caerfagu Products Ltd.

Tom's Mowers & Garden Supplies

DSHwood

GWOBRAU / PRIZES

Section 1 - Expert

(For previous competitors 25 years and over)

First Prize: To Be Confirmed

Second Prize: £60 Kindly sponsored by FCA

Third Prize: £40

Section 2 - 24 years and Under

(For previous competitors 24 years and under)

First Prize: To Be Confirmed

Second Prize: £45 Kindly sponsored by FCA

Third Prize: To be Confirmed

Section 3 - Newcomers

*(Competitors, of any age, who have **not** entered in the Royal Welsh Treefelling Competition or the UK Loggers Competition).*

First Prize: To Be Confirmed

Second Prize: £45 Kindly sponsored by FCA

Third Prize: Stihl Forestry Helmet & Combi Fuel Can

MWMAC Special Prize for Newly Qualified competitors (CS31 or equivalent):

"Provision of one place on a MWMAC Medium Tree Felling Course (including independent City & Guilds Assessment). This is the next step in training for any newcomer to the industry, value £918 incl. vat.

MWMAC Prize clause: *This is a non-transferable prize (i.e. we cannot exchange it for cash or for a training course at another centre). This training must be completed with MWMAC within 12 months of competition date*

Section 4 – Battery Chainsaw – Chain Change & Combined Crosscutting Sections only

(Competitors eligible for any of the above sections, but wish to compete with a Battery Powered Chainsaw)

First Prize: £60

Second Prize: £40

Third Prize: £20

Prizes may change subject to number of entrants and sponsorship

CYSTADLEUAETH / COMPETITION

1. Competitors will be marked on their maintenance, felling, snedding and cross cutting with particular reference to safety at Pale Woods, on Saturday 29 & Sunday 30 June 2024.
2. Competitors and their equipment will be scrutinised by a steward immediately prior to the competition and a safety checklist as contained in the schedule, will be completed.
3. Competitors will be given a numbered tree to prepare, fell and sned.
4. Competitors will be asked to demonstrate safe cross cutting of logs.
5. Cross cutting and tree felling will be carried out on separate trees and judged separately.
6. Competitors will be asked to fit another chain and turn the bar on their chain saw.
7. Competitors will be asked to compete in a relay as part of a team
8. The competitors will be split into either Section 1, 2, 3 or 4 after the closing date of entries, according to the regulations.

RHEOLAU / REGULATIONS

1. The Society will arrange for Third Party Public Liability Insurance cover for the competitors. Please note: - this does not include Personal Accident Cover.
2. Competitors must be over 16 years of age on the day of the Competition.
3. The competition is divided into four categories: Section 1, 2, 3 & 4:
Section 1 is open to all those that meet the requirements of the regulations that have previously entered a tree felling competition and are aged 25 years or older on the day of the competition.
Section 2 is open to all those that meet the requirements of the regulations who have previously competed in a tree felling competition and are aged 24 years old or under on the day of the competition.
Section 3 is open to all those that meet the requirements of the regulations and have never entered a tree felling competition before.
Section 4 is open to all those that meet the requirements of the regulations, who meet the eligibility for both section 1, 2 & 3, but wish to compete using a battery powered chainsaw.
4. Competitors in Section 3 must hold a minimum of Lantra QCF or City & Guilds NPTC Award in Felling & processing trees up to 380mm **or** Ground-based chainsaw operations.
5. All other competitors must hold Lantra QCF **or** City and Guilds Award in Felling & Processing Trees **over** 380mm.
6. Competitors will be asked to provide their NPTC/VQ/City and Guilds/Lantra ID number upon application – their certification status will be checked by mwmac Ltd, registering Centre for C&G NPTC and Lantra Awards, prior to the competition date.
7. Competitors must provide chainsaws and felling aids in safe working condition. Competitors must also wear protective clothing as detailed in FISA Guide No 301. Failure to comply with FISA Guide No 301 will result in immediate disqualification.
8. The maintenance section will involve fitting another chain and turning the bar, on the competitor's chain saw, time and quality of operation being judged. The mounting components must not be modified in any way from the manufacturer's specification.
9. Competitors are only allowed to enter one of Sections 1, 2 or 3, however all competitors are allowed to enter Section 4 as an additional section if they wish.
10. No competitor must be within two tree lengths of another competitor or person (except the Judges and Stewards) when felling.
11. Protests - Any protest must be made in writing and handed to the Chief Sectional Steward within half an hour of judging being completed together with a deposit of £25.00 which will be refunded if the protest is upheld.
12. Judges reserve the right to withdraw any competitor at any stage during the competition.
13. The Royal Welsh Agricultural Society is committed to protecting your personal data and processing it only in accordance with legal requirements. For more details you should request a copy of our GDPR policy. We process your personal data as it is necessary for the performance of our contract with you to facilitate your entry to the Show. We will not transfer your data outside of the UK and EEA (European Economic Area) and will not share your data with third parties. Results will also be circulated with members of the Press and published on our website. We retain your data in accordance with our retention schedule to simplify future applications. You have various rights in the data we hold including rectification and objecting to processing.

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ROYAL WELSH SHOW TREE FELLING COMPETITION 2024

RHESTR GWIRIO DIOGELWCH / SAFETY CHECK LIST

OFFER DIOGELWCH / SAFETY EQUIPMENT

This will comply with FISA guide No. 301 (Using petrol-driven chainsaws)

Safety Helmet
Eye Protection
Ear Defenders
Gloves

Leg Protection
Safety Boots
Non snag outer clothing
Personal First Aid Kit
Whistle

FELLING AIDS

Competitors are responsible for providing all their own felling aids e.g. Sledgehammer, wedges, felling lever etc.

NODER / NOTE:

1. "Chainsaw Operator" Personal First Aid Kit is advised – see *FISA Bulletin "First Aid Kits – Chainsaw Operators" March & April 2022 for further information.*
2. Competitors will be required to have all the above items with them when they present themselves for registration.

DIOGELWCH LLIF GADWYN / CHAINSAW SAFETY

This will comply with FISA guide No. 301 (Using petrol-driven chainsaws)

ON /OFF switch.
Safety (dead hand) throttle.
Front hand guard.
Chain catcher.
Chain breakage guard.
Anti vibration handles.
Safety chain.
Chain cover.
An exhaust system which directs fumes away from the operator.
The chainsaw must be used right handed.
Keep the thumb of the left hand around the back of the front handle.
On/Off switch is effective.
Chain brake is effective.
Chain is stationary when the saw is idling.
Chain maintained to manufacturer's specification.

NODER/NOTE:

Successful entrants will be emailed a pack containing full details of the operation of the actual day of the competition.