

THE BOWYER FAMILY MEMORIAL TRUST

'supporting agriculture into the future'

NEWSLETTER – May 2017

Firstly, I must apologise for this late Newsletter, partly because Maureen and I have been on a very long holiday, but also we have only now agreed on some very big changes for the Bowyer Family Memorial Trust.



These pictures are of a very much scaled down version of our stand at **Swallowfield Show 2016**, and we still made a loss!

Unfortunately it is the end of an era as Swallowfield Horticultural Society, after many years at White House Farm, have now found a new venue at Swallowfield Park.

It has been decided that we will no longer have a presence either there or at the Berkshire YFC Country Fayre. Primarily because there are not enough members of the committee to man the stand, nor make things to sell – we are all getting older. This has already saved a few hundred pounds in insurance!

Our activities will be scaled down, but our sponsorship will carry on, using just the income from the Farm Business Tenancy on the Bowyer Trust land; Car Boot Sales and of course donations.

I again would urge you to become a friend of the Trust. You can either give a one off donation, or make it a regular thing, especially if you are a tax payer. You will find the necessary forms on the website – www.bfmt.org.uk

I would like to thank those who are regular donators; last year we had a total of £820 in from private donations (which included from Swallowfield Horticultural Society). We sponsored two boys at Brymore £3,000; two individuals a total of £800; and Berkshire YFC and RFAA £580.

There will be a Bowyer Trust stand in our garden at Great Rill Farm, Shillingford, Tiverton, Devon. EX16 9BD, when we open the garden again in conjunction with other charities.

Sunday 2nd July 2017 at 2pm – everyone is welcome to come.

From your Chairman & Secretary,

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