

R.M.JONES Newsletter

FARMCENTRES

December 2023

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Christmas Opening Hours

December 23 rd	9am to 12pm	December 28 th	9am to 1pm		
December 25 th	Closed	December 29 th	9am to 1pm		
December 26 th	Closed	December 30 th	9am to 12pm		
December 27 th	9am to 1pm	January 1st	Closed		
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Winter Talks and Field Walks - 2023/2024

Date	Subject	Content	Location	How to book
21st Dec	Fertiliser planning Crop marketing	What's driving fertiliser price, Building a cost-effective fertiliser plan. Where is the grain market going, What are your spring crop options.	Morning talk near Hereford	Book by calling 01497 820410 (Numbers are limited)
Early Jan	Winter Field Walk	State of crops and how to alleviate problems created by the wet autumn	Afternoon field walk (location tbc)	Call 01497 820410 or through your RMJ Agronomist
11 Jan	Pre/Early post lambing nutrition. Tips on creating a stress free successful lambing	How to get nutrition right around lambing. What a good lambing yard looks like. (This is a follow up to our Oct talk on mid-season nutrition)	Online	Call 01497 820410 for an online link
18 th Jan	Maximising grass and forage performance	Sward composition, rectifying issues, overseeding, forage brassicas and other ideas	Online	Call 01497 820410 for an online link
30 th Jan	NROSO 1	Sprayer operators technical briefing	Near Much Birch	Book through Hay
13 th Feb	NROSO 2	Sprayer operators technical briefing	Near Hay on Wye	Farmcentre 01497 820410

Arable Update - December 2023

UK LIFFE Wheat Nov23	£195 - £200/t	Current wheat GS	GS12—22
MATIF OSR Nov23	£380- £390/t	Current OSR GS	GS20—GS24
AN34.5% Fertiliser	£385 +/-		

Comments

Frustrating is a word used a lot this autumn. Weather, prices, slugs and flea beetle have all conspired to make it a challenge and rather difficult. If it does dry up enough in early/mid December then patching up headlands or failed spots may be worthwhile but fresh planting is probably a non-starter – crops will be to compromised from the start.

To that end there is little in the task list this month other than apply delayed herbicide, tackle OSR Phoma and Nutrition, get set up for the spring, re-work plans and budgets, come to our **RMJ farm events and talks**.

