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## Winter Training Programme

I hope you have all received your copy of the Winter Training Programmes sent in October. If you haven't received it please let me know as there were a lot of problems with the postal system at the time. I hope you have had an opportunity to look at the programme and the interesting courses we have devised. There are a few courses that are happening this month and next that you won't want to miss.

**Training Group Constitution** — Following the merger of the two old Training Groups last year to create Eastern Training Alliance, the Management Committee worked hard to produce a draft Constitution appropriate for the new organisation. This was approved by the AGM in June, if you would like a copy just let us know.

### Fertiliser Managers Course — Fertiliser Planning & Timing 23rd November

This 1/2 day course is being run for us by Natural England and it will be looking at Nutrient Requirements, an overview of Nitrogen potential losses and pollution risks. The influences of Nitrogen usage, practical usage and effective product use. The course will also look at the current NVZ rules and the proposed changes, it will also cover fertiliser planning such as RB209, and producing a fertiliser Management Plan. 6NRoSOPoints and 8BASIS available. Members course cost £15.

### Fertiliser Operators Course — Efficient use and Application of Fertilisers 27th November

This 1/2 day course for operators is also being delivered by Natural England and will look at the effectiveness of fertilisers, the different types of fertiliser and the pros & cons of using them and Nutrient sources - N sources, P sources, K sources and their pros and cons. It will also look at the value & importance of the spreader they yield and financial loss due to poor spreading. Lastly it will look at Fertiliser Calibration and a practical demonstration will be carried out. 6NRoSOPoints & 8BASIS Points available. Members course rate £15

### Farmland Bird Identification — RSPB 5th December

This one day workshop is being delivered to the Training Group by the RSPB. This one day course will look at the types of farmland bird and their importance, the habitats and feeding requirements of the key species, it will look at these birds in relation to the Entry Level Stewardship and Higher Level Stewardship. There will be a farm walk looking at field identification nesting habitats and feeding habitats. There will be a free buffet lunch and refreshments. 4NRoSOPoints & 5BASIS points this course will be followed by Positive Land Management for Farmland Birds in February. This course is free to both Member & Non-Members of the training groups so let your family and friends know.

### Lantra Working at Heights and Risk Assessment

This Lantra Course is designed for Managers and supervisors who control the work of others. It will look at the Work at Height Regulations 2005, the Managers responsibilities, risk assessment, accident avoidance and a practical session on the safe use of ladders. 14th December, Unwin Estates, Nr Haverhill. **Non Members Course Rate £70**

**FLT TRAINING - THE LEGAL REQUIREMENT** — Would you let someone who didn't hold a full driving licence drive one of your cars? The answer would probably be no as it would be breaking the law. Would you allow someone to drive your FLT without a valid FLT certificate? If the answer is yes then you would be breaking the law!!!

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## COURSEPLACEAVAILABILITYINNOVEMBER&DECEMBER

### NOVEMBER

Tuesday 20	<b>PA1—Foundation Module</b> Withersfield Nr Haverhill	NRoSO 12cpd	BASIS <sup>2</sup> 12cpd
Friday 23	<b>Efficient Use of Fertilizers Planning &amp; Timing</b> (Managers) Newmarket	6cpd	8cpd
Tuesday 27	<b>Efficient Use and Application of Fertilizers</b> (operators) B.S. Eam	6cpd	8cpd

### DECEMBER

Monday 3	<b>Basic Safe Quad Bike</b> –legislative requirement, Pebmarsh Nr Sudbury		
Tuesday 5	<b>PA2—Ground Crop Hydraulic Nozzle Sprayer</b>	12cpd	12cpd
Wednesday 5	<b>Farmland Bird Identification</b> —Nr Sudbury	4cpd	5cpd
Thursday 6	<b>Industrial Masted FLT –Refresher</b>		
Friday 7	<b>Emergency First Aid</b> —St Johns Certificated Course Shimpling V/Hall		
Monday 10	<b>Rough Terrain Telescopic FLT Refresher</b>		
Tuesday 11	<b>PA4—Granular Application of Pesticides</b>	12cpd	12cpd
Friday 14	<b>Working At Heights</b> –Lantra Certificated, Nr Haverhill		

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