

ENGLISH PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION 16 YEARS OR UNDER

Friday 10th March 2017

AT THE FUW PAVILION, ROYAL WELSH SHOWGROUND, BUILTH WELLS

Start time: 7.30pm

(Entry Date: Monday 13th February 2017)

1. Each Club may enter as many teams as they like. Members to be 16 years of age or under on 1st September 2016 (date of birth - 01/09/1999 or after) and with Membership Cards in the YFC Office.
2. A Team shall consist of three members, Chairman, Speaker and Proposer of the Vote of Thanks.
3. The decision of the Adjudicators will be final.
4. The procedure will follow that of a normal Meeting.
 - a) Fifteen minutes before his or her team is due to compete; the Chairman will be introduced to the speaker.
 - b) The Speaker will provide written notes giving the subject chosen and personal background (e.g. school, special interests, YFC membership, Club Offices held, activities within the Club, etc.). These Notes to be written on the card provided and handed to the Steward at the beginning of the competition and will be **available** for the Chairman and Judge/s. To note that Power Point may be used as a visual aid for the Speaker but they are not to be used for the whole speech and can only be used to enhance the speech. I.e. this is **NOT** a business presentation competition.
(FOR THE COUNTY COMPETITION, TEAMS CANNOT RE-USE A SPEECH FROM THE SAME YEAR).
 - c) The Speaker, who will be the guest of another team, will choose his/her own subject. The Speaker will then answer 1 question put by the Proposer. The Judge may also ask 1 question.
 - d) The Chairman will invite the Judge/s to put a question to the Speaker who will then respond.
 - e) The Proposer will be seated in the body of the hall. He/she will take up some point in the Speaker's address, comment, agree or disagree and ask one pertinent question on the subject matter of the address. He/she will give the Vote of Thanks to the Speaker after all questions have been dealt with.
 - f) No communication, written or verbal between any of the team members, or the audience, will be permitted.
5. Competitors may take notes FOR REFERENCE onto the platform as long as these notes are written on POSTCARDS. However, excessive and obvious use of notes will be penalised. No other reference books or papers may be used by teams while on the platform, except for visual aids intended to add to the understanding of the subject by the audience.

6. TIMING

Chairman (Opening)	2 minutes
Speaker	6 minutes
Proposer of Vote of Thanks (question)	no time limit
Proposer of Vote of Thanks (thanks)	1 minute and 30 seconds

Penalties Time deductions are one mark for each half-minute (or part thereof) over the allocated time by any member of the team. The judge/s may also deduct marks if the timings are below half of what is expected.

7. SCALE OF MARKS

Speaker	Presentation of speech and ability to speak	20	
	Content of speech and knowledge of subject	20	
	Answer to questions	<u>10</u>	50
Chairman			30
Proposer of Vote of Thanks			<u>20</u>
TEAM TOTAL			<u>100</u>

8. Competitors before and after competing may be admitted to the Competition Room.
9. The Adjudicator/s to select the team to represent the Federation at the Wales Final.

(For 2017 Wales YFC Public Speaking Day)