

Club's harvest update and congratulations

Crop competitions – grain, sugar beet and potatoes.

Congratulations to the latest winner of the Cantley Cup – awarded for the highest overall yield by a grower. Alan Beck, of Brunstead, and his son, Geoff, have won the 2020 Cantley Cup, for the first time. C N Beck & Sons, of Brunstead Hall, near Stalham, won the whole crop competition in 2017.

The runner-up was Milligen McLeod, of East Ruston, and in third place, Andrew Alston, of Catfield.

Apologies for the delay in reporting the results. The Club would like to thank Sarah Bebb, of British Sugar, for her help with the competition.

Barley & wheat samples, please.

As combines prepare to roll across the county in earnest, entries for the two grain competitions will be welcome. There's no charge to enter samples, which can be delivered to the club chairman, Chris Borrett, of grain merchants, Adams & Howling, or brought to future club events.

Members may recall that for the first time in the history of the inter-club malting barley competition, there was a tie in 2020. A sample grown by Edward de Feyter, of C H Callow and partners, of East Ruston, was a joint winner with his father Graham, of Edingthorpe, who won the Holt title. In 2019, Stalham won the supreme title with a sample grown by George Gay, of Mautby Farms.

Sugar beet entries

It is planned to judge the two sugar beet competitions in late September and in October. There's no entry fee.

Entries, please, to the secretary for the whole crop by September 10. The field map/ location should show the size and also details of the gate/access point too. Entries must be at least 15 acres. Entries may be emailed – michaelbpollitt@btinternet.com

It is planned to hold the best two-acre competition this year – apologies that it did not take place in 2020. Again, a map showing the best area of the field would be appreciated by September 10.

Potato Cup

Entries are invited for the Potato Cup, which was won last year by the club's president, Thomas Love.

Please send entries by Friday, August 5, please. Again, a field map/ location and size of crop are needed. Also, please indicate variety and expected use. Email entries to michaelbpollitt@btinternet.com

Future programme activities

It is hoped to resume club activities in the coming weeks and months and even possibly some indoor meetings. At this stage, nothing is planned but any suggestions will be much appreciated. Please contact the secretary, Michael Pollitt (01603 486997) or the chairman, Chris Borrett, with your thoughts.