

EDENBRIDGE & OXTED

AGRICULTURAL SHOW

Celebrating the country way of life since 1837

December 2023

Merry Christmas!



With Father Christmas polishing his boots and only the weekend to go until the Big Day we hope you're looking forward to a juicy turkey or perhaps beautiful beef and a grand selection of veggies that UK farmers have worked hard to produce for your table.

With the weather being so relentlessly wet our farmers and horse owners have been fighting against the challenges of sodden and flooded fields this year. Cattle and sheep have been brought into their winter housing earlier than many would have liked. For some early birds it's time to start lambing now – next year's commercial and pedigree lambs will soon be dancing about in their pens and paddocks and we hope to welcome many of them to compete at our show next August.



For us we're particularly excited to be starting a new construction project in the new year as we invest in a smart new open barn on our land at Ardenrun. This will primarily support the farming activity on site through the year whilst providing handy shelter for our sheep section during the show.

We'll also be getting our trade stand applications open on our website shortly so that our longstanding traders can re-book their pitches and interested new businesses can see how affordable it is to exhibit with us. With some further changes to the show's layout for 2024 we've been able to grow the number of discounted pitches we offer to small, local enterprises and we've made the much-loved Food Hall a larger, more relaxed space to shop.



The monster trucks in the Main Ring this year certainly generated a huge amount of excitement and we know they attracted and entertained a large crowd. How to follow that for 2024 was quite the conundrum but we're really pleased to announce that we've secured the amazing Bolddog Lings Freestyle Motocross Team for our next show. These riders are at the top of their game; utterly fearless, providing a high energy, aerial display of death-defying moves! Upside down and inside out, we've booked their full stunt display and we guarantee you'll be holding your breath as you watch them perform! It's exactly ten years since this team were last in our Main Ring and we can't wait to see them return.

Thank you again for support for the E&O Show this year, be it as a member, sponsor, competitor or volunteer. On behalf of all the Show's trustees we wish you a very happy and healthy Christmas and all the best for 2024.

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Joint Show Chairmen

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