



Lincolnshire Machinery Ring Ltd

Newsletter

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Annual General Meeting

Crop Establishment Day June 20th

The Ring is very fortunate to have the opportunity to visit the Riseholme Crop Establishment Day after the AGM. This promises to be a very informative afternoon with discussion on establishment techniques backed up by machinery manufacturers and plots of Wheat, Oilseed Rape and Sugar Beet established using different techniques. We very much hope you will support this event.

Programme begins with AGM at 11.30am prompt in the Lindsey Lecture Theatre followed by light refreshments in the Conference Hall at 12.00. The afternoon programme commences at 12.20 with speakers followed by a tour of the plots and machinery at 2.15.

For further details see enclosed AGM Agenda. We hope to see you at our AGM at Riseholme on the 20th of June.

Wanted

- Grass for haylage – Mansfield
- Long reach hedge flail in good condition prefer Twigga 6
- Straw – Rape, wheat and barley - all areas
- 150hp tractor and man for wheat carting – Newark and Grantham areas
- Office, workshop and yard in the Oakham area.
- Veg supplier and traditional Lincolnshire Butcher in Wragby area
- 4 Highland cattle
- Tractor and loader with Matbro Carriage

Fuel is an expensive necessity – Call LMR for a keen price, We bought approx 7 million litres for you last year. That's a lot of fuel – **Thank you**

Managers Report

The Ring is well into it's next year and is growing fast on most fronts. Thank you for your continued support. I'm sure that there is still a lot of potential for members to benefit from the Ring. If you haven't spoken to us in a while, please call and see what we can do for you or you for us. All ideas for the future are welcome as nothing stays the same or stands still for long.

The one area that we really can support you in is with the opportunity to allow other members to quote on and undertake machinery and labour based work for your farms and businesses. There is going to be a lot of change in farming in the next few years and I'm convinced the Ring through it's members has a large role to play in offering a way forward. We offer credit control through the self billing invoice system, broad knowledge base on the cost of routine and one off operations combined with an impartial view working on members behalf. Our strength is in working together.

Tractor/Trailer/Telescopic Hire

LMR is booking hire tractors for the summer. We can offer the full range of tractor horse power from a choice of manufacturers, with both new and second hand machines available. Telescopic handlers are also available at competitive prices. Short and Long term hire can be accommodated with sufficient forward planning. Don't leave it to the last minute. As availability will be an issue.

Also available for hire from Ring members are Trailers including Grain, Root and Dumpers. Plus Muck Spreaders, Slurry Tankers and Water Bowser's.

Labour & Machinery Resources

Members with New Services

We have ABBA Plant joining the Ring they offer a full range of 400 pieces of construction equipment with and without operators. The company also has a civil engineering division, which can build commercial properties and offices. Please call the LMR for your equipment and building needs.

Forklift Testing

Ring Members United Forktrucks are offering competitive rates for assessing and testing Forklifts under the thorough examination scheme. See enclosure for details of this valuable service.

Construction Plant Competence Scheme

Are you being asked for CPCS Cards for you or your staff by customers? We can access up to ¾ funding for the assessment and ongoing NVQ to achieve this qualification. For more information look up www.cpcs.info or Contact William on 01507 600888

Agri-cycle

This innovative farm recycling solution has been developed by a ring member to deal with the new farm waste regulations. Those who requested information previously will shortly be contacted directly with details of the scheme, new enquires can be made via 01673 878215

Swathers for Rape and Borage

With a large rape crop this year and Borage a first time crop for many we have the contractors with the capacity to ease the harvest of these crops by swathing. Those who prefer dessication can access professional spraying contractors through the Ring with the clearance to spray without running down the crop.

Off Farm Developments

With members increasingly seeking new opportunities on the farm. The ring has developed good links with suppliers of concrete and aggregates, stone crushers, plant hire, CPCS qualified staff and a knowledge base to assist in new ventures. Call the office you'll be pleasantly surprised at what we can do.

Ring Loyalty

Even though the LMR is prospering and growing it still relies on the members to call with requests for work to be done and for labour. Many of our members look to the Ring and its' members for the opportunity to quote for and to undertake work for other members. **Please don't undermine these members' businesses by leaving the Ring out.** A major strength of the Ring comes from us working together and pooling our collective strengths. Farming is a harsh enough environment to survive in these days. Please use your Ring to your best advantage. Build on the success for your future benefit.

Livestock Feeds.

H.J.Lea Oakes have made their first delivery to a member. If you will be looking for nuts or concentrates for your cattle/cows or sheep please give LMR a call for ration specifications and prices. First impressions are that product and prices are good.

Knight Farm Machinery Discounts

Sprayer and cultivator spares are available from Knight Farm Machinery at generous discounts. Many members have taken advantage of this deal. **Please remember to notify Knights at the counter, that you are in LMR, before they invoice you. Credit notes are a pain!**

Pre-Harvest Planning

There is still spare capacity available for combinable crops this harvest, if you want an extra pair of hand this harvest why not buy them in on the combine seat and free up labour for cultivations. Capacity also available in sprayers for pre harvest roundup and to create stale seed beds. Staff is available through the labour ring – please ring if you can spare time to help neighbours bring the harvest home.

Outdoor Fun

Outdoor Inspirations are agents for an exciting range of Go-carts. These are British, well built and at competitive prices. The range also includes a utility machine with tipping hopper, ideal for estate maintenance or livestock. Please see the enclosed flyer for the full details.

Autumn Cultivations

If you like what you see as I'm sure you will at the Establishment Day, contact the ring to try the techniques at home we have drill of all designs available to establish this Autumns crops whatever nature challenges us with this year.

Are you Refurbishing a Set of Discs?

Call LMR for a price on new discs, bearings, shafts and nuts and bolts etc. We have a member supplying genuine parts at very competitive prices.

Concrete and Aggregates

The Ring has been very successful in supplying members with concrete and aggregates. We have a wide choice of suppliers offering a comprehensive range of materials. In the first 5 months we have supplied over 750m³ of concrete to members and have over a 1000m³ to go out in the next 2 months. We have members that erect buildings, lay concrete, pump concrete and supply shuttering and power floats etc, etc. If you are planning a new building or yard etc, please call for quotes.

For Sale/Available

- Top quality hay in small round and minis
- 4 leg paraplough
- 30,000lt water bowser
- Go-carts
- 6 ft Tong Potato Grader 1998
- Storage space – Kirklington
- Potato elevator and security lights

I trust that the SFP forms are completed and lodged with the RPA by now. Of course form filling doesn't end there. Many of you will be applying for the ELS. However harvest and the autumn work which follows is creeping upon us. Please consider what your machinery and labour requirements might be and where there is need for a contractor, call LMR. There are many members who rely on the Ring for work and forward planning enables them to offer an efficient and competitive service.

Summer Labour

The Labour Agency continues to deliver skilled staff to cover member needs for harvest and deliver extra margin to members business who are able to supply staff. Contact William 01507 600888

Pest Control

With local councils withdrawing their farm pest control services in parts of the region members have stepped in to fill the gap. Full service pest control is now available for farm yards, grain stores and livestock sites. Pre harvest store fumigation and cleaning is also available contact the office on 01507 600888

Entry Level Stewardship

Your fellow ring members have the tools to deliver your ELS commitments with narrow drills, margin toppers and sprayers, hedge and tree planting services, hedge flails and multisaaws, fencing contractors, mapping services, weed wipers and ragwort control tools. Call the office to help deliver your needs.

Remember the LMR group deals

- **Machinery hire**
- **Lubricants**
- **Gas – bulk and bottled**
- **Tool hire**
- **Concrete and aggregates**
- **Telecoms**
- **Livestock feed**
- **Wearing parts etc**

Membership Survey

Please take time to reply to the membership survey on the reverse of this newsletter. As a membership organization we wish to continue delivering the high standard of service you expect in emergency breakdown cover, short term relief and long term machinery planning. The Ring has become so much more recently so please help us deliver the service you require by completing the questionnaire and returning it to the office.

Oilseed Rape Establishment

Good establishment of OSR is a pressure job at harvest. Ring members are able to Autocast, Broadcast, Direct Drill, and Min till establish rape at very economic prices this year. Contact the office and book an early advantage for your rape crop.

Whether this years crop is looking patchy or in full bloom the Ring has Swathers, High Clearance Sprayers and Direct Cut Combines to solve your harvest headaches. Call the office to cover your needs.