YSGOLORIAETH GOFFA GARETH RAW REES GARETH RAW REES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

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1. THE FUND

1.1 The Scholarship Fund was launched in July 1984 in memory of the late Mr. Gareth Raw Rees, MBE, Tyn Pare, Llandre, Bow Street, Ceredigion, whose considerable energies had always been directed towards promoting the interests of young people in farming and in the countryside. He was a firm believer in the inestimable benefits of travelling towards the fulfillment of a broader and more rewarding education.

2. ADMINISTRATION

2.1 The Fund is administered by a Management Committee composed of a representative of the Gareth Raw Rees family and representatives of the Wales YFC; the NFU Cymru Council; the NFU Mutual Insurance Society Limited; the Institute of Biological, Environmental and Rural Sciences (IBERS) in Aberystwyth University and the Future Farmers of Wales. The Management Committee has absolute discretion as to the amount of any scholarship or scholarships to be awarded in any year.

3. PURPOSE

- 3.1 The primary purpose of the Fund is to help towards the advancement of education in agriculture through the ability to attract, by way of investment, an income sufficient to provide annual scholarships to one or more young persons resident in Wales to enable him, her or them to further their education by travelling within the UK or abroad.
- 3.2 In making any awards, the Management Committee will be placing <u>more emphasis on personality characteristics than on academic qualifications</u> and will always have in mind the fact that awards are meant to complement rather than replace personal initiative and expenses.

4. TRAVELLING OPPORTUNITIES

4.1 Needless to say the Committee is most anxious to ensure that as many young people as possible can avail themselves of traveling awards and furthermore, that it can grant really worthwhile traveling opportunities. These desirable aims can only be achieved if the Scholarship Fund assumes such proportions as will generate the required income. The appeal for donations is therefore ongoing.

5. 2025 AWARDS

- 5.1 Successful applicants are expected to take up their awards within the calendar year.
- 5.2 Applicants should be under 30 years of age on the Tuesday of the Royal Welsh Show in the year of Application for the award.
- 5.3 Awards cannot be made retrospectively, i.e. travel cannot commence prior to the Tuesday of the Royal Welsh Show in the year of application of the award.

6. APPLICATIONS

6.1 Applications forms must be returned to nfu.cymru@nfu.org.uk by the closing date:

FRIDAY 13th JUNE 2025

7. INTERVIEW

7.1 Short-listed applicants will be invited for interview by the Management Committee. The date for interviews has been set for **Thursday 3rd July 2025**.

8. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

8.1 It is a condition of the Award that Scholarship Winners attend the Award Ceremony, which is to be held on the Tuesday of the Royal Welsh Show.

