

GROUP PROGRAMME

Ards UFU Group



Tuesday 14th October 2025 – Visit to Trevor Gabbie's – leading supplier of young plants to growers across Ireland
Comber, County Down, BT23 5PH at 12.30pm – lunch provided at £5 per person – book your space with Group Office

Thursday 23rd October 2025 – UFU Women In Agriculture Conference Cultivating a Healthier Future
CAFRE, Loughry Campus, Cookstown – 9.30am – 3.30pm – register at:
https://www.ufuni.org/event_categories/women-in-agriculture/

Tuesday 28th October 2025 – Beyond the Farmgate – Virtual Farm Tour at 8.00pm
Trevor Somerville, beef farmer from Pomeroy

Tuesday 4th November 2025 – Agri-Environment challenges in 2025
Speakers: Aileen Lawson, UFU Assistant Policy Manager
Group Office, 5-7 South Street, Newtownards, County Down at 8.00pm

Tuesday 2nd December 2025 – Christmas Breakfast with Special Guest
Harrisons of Greyabbey
Spaces are limited so contact the office to reserve yours

Tuesday 6th January 2026 – "Best practices for your herd"
Speaker: Dr. Sam Strain, Chief Executive for Animal Health and Welfare Northern Ireland
Group Office, 5-7 South Street, Newtownards, County Down at 8.00pm

January 2026 – Presidents County Roadshows – organised by UFUHQ

Tuesday 3rd February 2026 – Group AGM with update from Alexander Kinnear, UFU Parliamentary Officer
Group Office, 5-7 South Street, Newtownards, County Down at 8.00pm

Monday 23rd February 2026 – County Down Hustings Event
La Mon Hotel, 41 Gransha Road, Comber, BT23 5RF at 8.00pm

Tuesday 3rd March 2026 – Group Quiz
More details to follow

March 2026 – virtual meeting organised by HQ – details to follow

April 2026 – Group Trip
Details to follow

Summer 2026 – County Event
More details to follow

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GROUP REPRESENTATIVES:

Group Chairperson: Jay Warden

Group Vice Chairperson: Philip Donaldson

Group Managers: Richard Law, Angela Steele & Richard Perrin

Central Policy Representatives:

Beef & Lamb: Samuel Chesney

Dairy: Wallace Patton

Seeds & Cereals: Tom Merron

Rural Affairs: Christine Kennedy

Legislation: Jason Rankin

Rural Enterprise: John Martin



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All members welcome!

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