



# PEAK FARMERS GROUP

## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER: NOVEMBER 2024

### Welcome

The aim of this new monthly bulletin is to bring members up to date with information, this will replace the quarterly newsletters. Bulletins will include: upcoming meeting dates; recaps of information from previous meetings; important industry announcements & lots more.

### OCTOBER FARM VISITS

The Peak Farmers Group recently enjoyed a fantastic farm visit to Geoff Eyre's moor. We had a huge turnout of members and were also joined by the Clee Valley Farmers Group. We learnt about species reintroduction and Moorland management, including bracken from the maestro who has devoted his lifetime to this work.

We also visited Richard Jackson at Pilsbury Aberdeen Angus who demonstrated how he grew his cattle and finished them off forage alongside all the time improving their genetic potential. Both farms also showed their management also delivered environmental gains . By working with other groups too we also demonstrated shared learning, as well as having an enjoyable day.

I have decided for a variety of reasons to stand down as chair of the Peak Farmers Group. I would like to thank the other members of the steering group, Rusty, Ross and John for their support and ideas. Also thanks to Alice, Emily, Rachel and Lorna too and Rebekah and the FiPL funding. I am proud of what we have achieved for a group of farmers which have always been overlooked in the past. I wish the group well going forward.

J Bassett





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# NOVEMBER MEETING!

Join us for dinner and drinks at the Cowshed Cafe followed by talks from two Pasture For Life Farmers

## PEN RASHBASS

Building resilience: The financial, health and biodiversity benefits of managed grazing on permanent pasture

## IAN STEELE

An introduction to bale grazing & winter grazing strategy at Treflach Farm

### BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Please let us know if you have any dietary requirements

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7PM  
**26**  
NOVEMBER

### COWSHED CAFE

BELTONVILLE FARM  
MILLERS DALE  
SK17 8SS



## NEW PEAK FARMERS GROUP COORDINATOR

Tony Faulkner has recently joined the Farming Life Centre where he'll be helping to support the Peak Farmers Group.

Tony comes from a land management background in New Zealand where he had a long history of working with farmers on a range of issues involving soil erosion and water quality. He is now based in Wirksworth.



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