

## Yorkshire Agricultural Society – John Boddy Rose Bowl Trophy

2015

### Key Points for the Presentation

#### Category

1. The GYS Forestry Committee agreed the competition category for 2015 should be based on 'An exemplary scheme demonstrating multi-purpose woodland creation'.

#### Selection

2. The selection process involves Forestry Commission Woodland Officers providing a short list of potential candidates for the John Boddy Rose Bowl Trophy. The short list is reviewed by the Forestry Commissions Area Director, Crispin Thorn and the Royal Forestry Society's Divisional Chair for Yorkshire, David Carter.

#### Winner

3. The 2015 Winner selected by the Royal Forestry Society and the Forestry Commission is **Skipster Hagg Wood** which is owned by Mrs Ann Procope.

#### Background

4. Skipster Hagg is a woodland creation scheme which was planted as part of the wider 'Slowing the Flow' Project covering the catchments of Pickering and Sinnington.
5. The total woodland area of new woodland created is approx 15 ha's in two blocks both adjoin Bishop Hagg which is an ancient semi-natural woodland. The
6. The key objectives for the woodland included:

- **buffer and extend existing ancient semi-natural woodland** and create improved habitat networks with adjacent woodland and other semi-natural habitat types. The species composition Pedunculate Oak, Ash, Birch, Cherry, Alder, Field Maple and Hazel.