



A Farm Apprenticeship Cooperative makes better sense for the former Spetifore Farm

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Have FIVE MINUTES to speak
so just want to leave you with a few main points.

This is a good idea.

We have to grow new farmers.

This opportunity is unique.

**Nine months
to birth a better solution?**

THE GOOD IDEA: FARM APPRENTICESHIP COOPERATIVE

BC'S UNIVERSITIES AND TECHNICAL/TRAINING SCHOOLS

NUMBER OF MEMBERSHIPS WOULD DETERMINE
NUMBER OF 1 YEAR APPRENTICESHIP SLOTS

CUTTING EDGE ORGANIC

FULL SUPPORT TO LEARN HOW TO FARM

APPRENTICE FARMERS WOULD THEMSELVES BELONG TO A LEARNING COOP

HERE TO AFFIRM MY COMMITMENT TO WORK ON THIS

FOR NEXT NINE MONTHS PRO BONO

This is a good idea.

FOOD SECURITY. FOOD SAFETY LOCAL FOOD

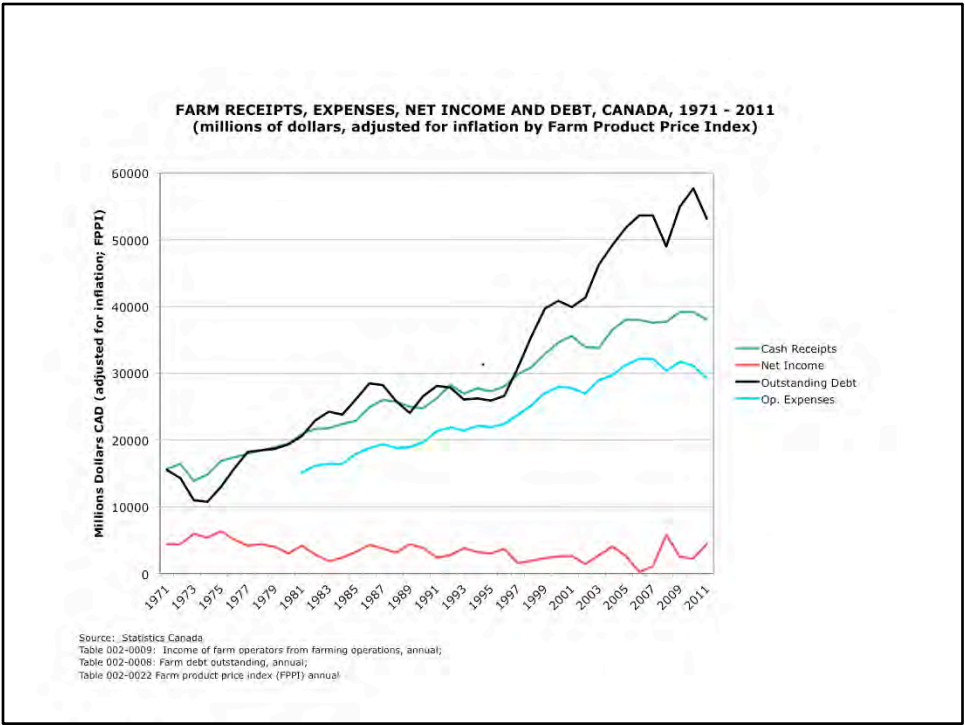
Quick Google search? Happening around the world.

TOMORROWS FARMERS MAY BE COMING FROM THE CITIES (QUICK LOOK AT NEXT SLIDE)

If we want food tomorrow we have too grow farmers today

There is a DIFFERENCE between training and experiential learning

Farmer apprenticeship cooperative a wonderful idea, and perfect use of this land.

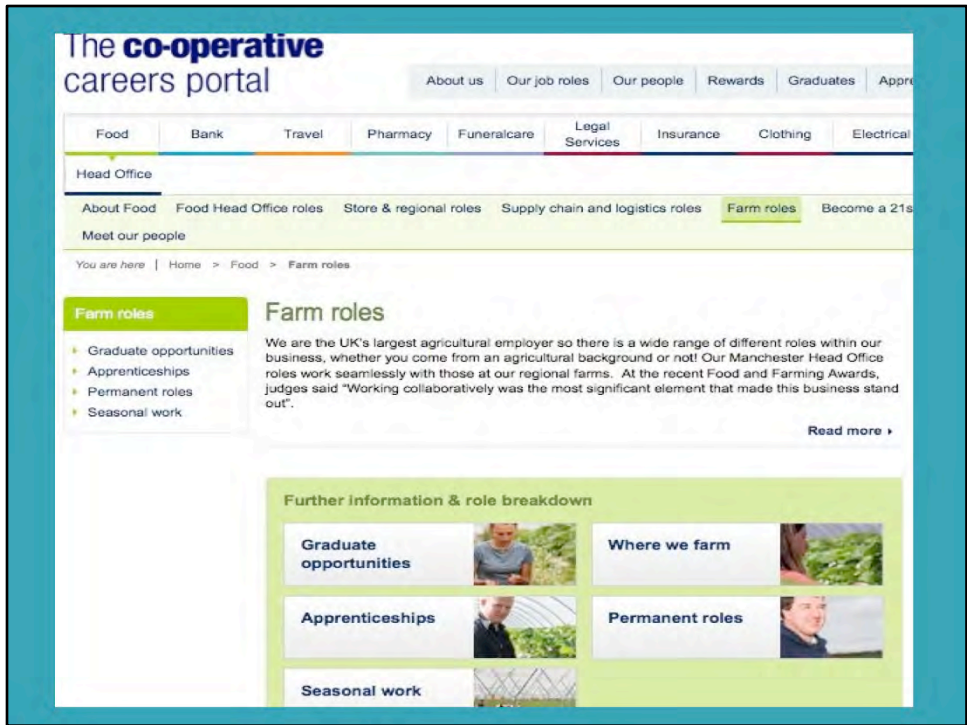


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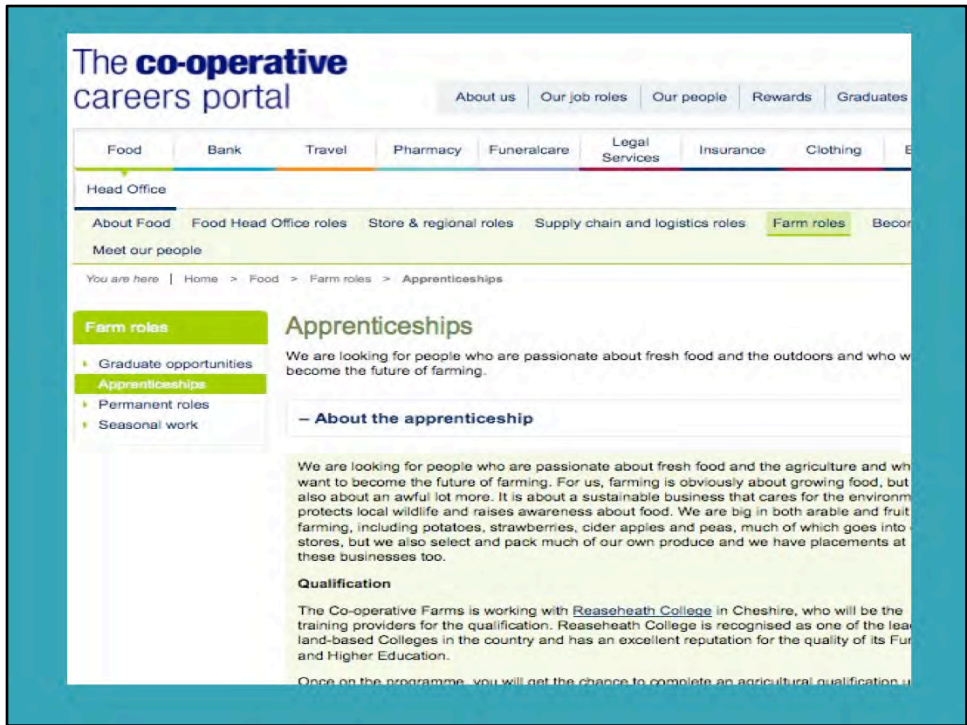
Black line is farm debt

Treating our farmers like dirt

Where are new farmers going to come from?



England does a particularly good job of this.



APPRENTICESHIPS IN FARMING ARE IMPORTANT

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apprenticeships

exciting new placements for young people



role: Arable or Fruit Crafts Person
location: Could be based at any one of our farms across the country – this will vary depending on where and when someone applies.

time: 2-year programme with 4 residential courses per year in one week blocks spent at Reaseheath College, Cheshire

availability: up to 8 vacancies


salary: £10,000 plus overtime in Harvest season

We are looking for people who are passionate about fresh food and the outdoors and who want to become the future of farming. For us, farming is much more than growing food. It is about a sustainable business that cares for the environment, protects local wildlife and raises awareness about food. We are big in both arable and fruit farming, including potatoes, strawberries, cider apples and peas, all of which go into our stores. Our aim is to expand the range of foods we grow and provide high-quality British produce for our customers.


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From Farm to Fork

Since 2005, over 65,000 children have visited one of our farms through the From Farm to Fork programme.

Habitat Heroes

The Co-operative Farms new endangered and protected species project.

Careers In Farming

Passionate about food and farming? Become the future of farming.

LOWER MAINLAND IS A READY MARKET

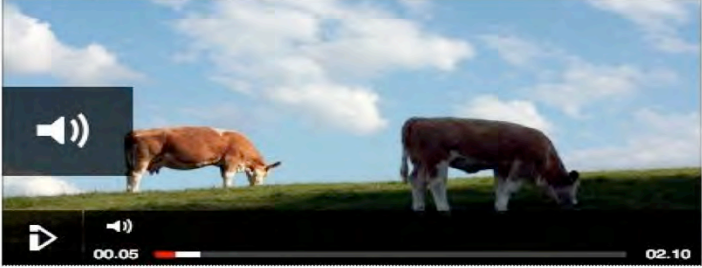
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Co-operative creates 2,000 jobs with apprenticeships



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Over the next three years, the Co-Operative will create 2,000 jobs through a new apprentice academy. With its operations spanning supermarkets, high street travel agents and financial services, it also own 55,000 acres of farmland that it uses to grow food for its shops. Apprentices will be spread across all three divisions.

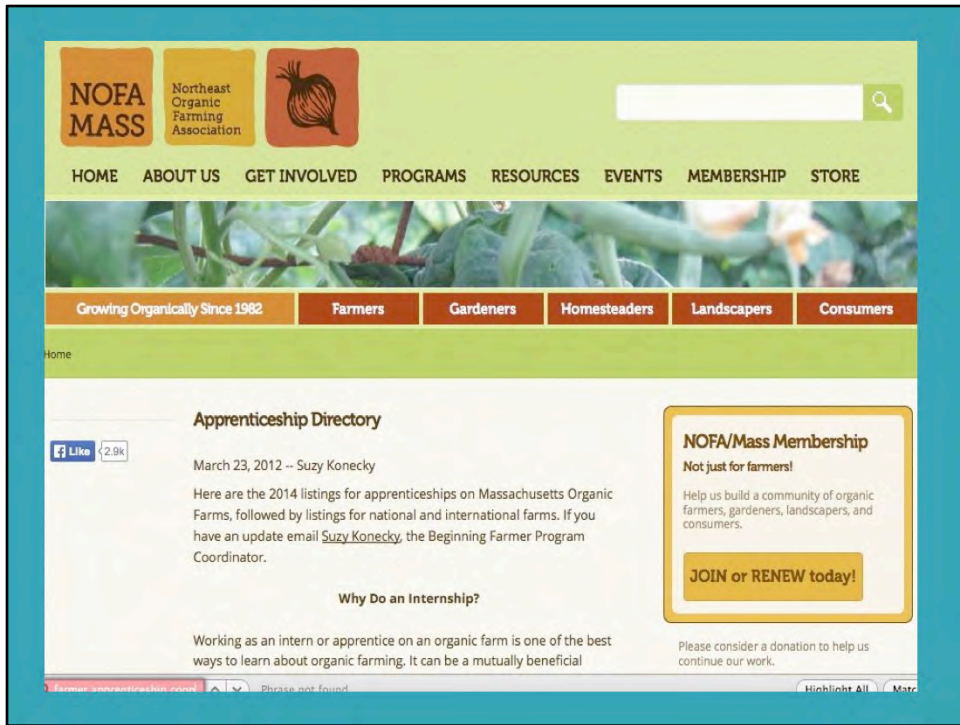
David Watson is the Arable Operations Manager for Co-operative Farms and tells Radio 5 live Wake Up To Money's Dominic Laurie how the farm apprenticeships will work.

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- Extension


Program Description

The Co-op Diploma Apprenticeship for Agricultural & Heavy Duty Equipment Technicians is a two-year diploma with a work placement between semesters 2 and 3. The program includes all three levels of the academic instruction for both Agricultural Equipment Technician and Heavy Duty Equipment Technician apprenticeships. Graduates of the program will meet all the requirements of the Motive Power Technician Diploma program.

This program allows you to complete all three apprenticeship levels and gain practical experience with industry. Upon successful completion of our two-year program, you can

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APPRENTICESHIPS AND FARMER/AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION

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In almost every farming culture around the world, farming was traditionally learned via the apprenticeship model. Essentially this means an exchange of labor and time for the housing, food, and an intensive educational opportunity. In many cases there is also a small amount of market money paid, usually not enough capital, to see that a farming career will move from

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING RECOGNIZED NEED
(unless u grew up on a farm...)



Description: Farm Education Apprentice

Job Purpose: The Farm Education Apprentice will spend half the week farming, and half the week preparing for and running educational programs. The Apprentice will learn how to farm using pesticide free and chemical free methods. S/he will also educate youth on sustainable agriculture, nutrition and healthy living choices. Farm apprentices will learn class and tour group management.

Job Duties & Responsibilities:

Farm work (20 hours/week)

- Assist with production on small scale, diversified organic vegetable farms
- Weed, plant, and harvest at farms and greenhouse
- Learn about the 100 varieties of vegetables grown
- Participate in pest management and season extension
- Aid in harvesting, setting up and selling produce at a weekly farmer's market
- Work with students to harvest for CSA, and maintain raised beds

Farm education programs (20 hours/week)

- Develop and write curriculum with Farm Educators
- Help conduct educational group visits to the farm and assist with summer internship program

NICE LITTLE JOB DESCRIPTION

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Practical, on-farm training is the best way to learn how to farm. We offer an apprenticeship designed to train the next generation of farmers to grow vegetables, sell vegetables, and manage a farm business. We hire both full season apprentices (27 wks) and summer apprentices (17 wks).

As an apprentice at Tourne-Sol farm, you will learn how to grow and harvest more than 50 kinds of vegetables and herbs. Your experience will cover greenhouse work, field preparation, field management, post-harvest storage, seed production, and marketing (both CSA and farmers market).

In addition to field time, we schedule monthly half-day

Past apprentice Richard Williams (2007) found

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LOVE THIS

We have to grow new farmers.

LFS 302 students searching for such an opportunity.

Training one thing. Doing another.

Cutting edge organic methods

Market gardens

Organic dairy and cheese

Pasture grazed poultry

Organic grains and small milling facility

Organic beef, lambs,

Cooperative model

This opportunity is unique...

large scale parcel of contiguous land
good soils
Wonderful micro- climate
Location location location
DELTA FARMERS
UNIVERSITIES
COMMUNITY

**Give me nine months
to birth a better solution.**

Pro bono...

What could it hurt to explore this obviously better public policy solution?

This land belongs not to today but to tomorrow. To the future.

It is NATURAL CAPITAL - a good of the commons.

We need to treat it with the respect it deserves.

Let me work on this for nine months and come back with a better plan.

Such a deal!.



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