



ALNWICK & DISTRICT BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

Of the Committee Meeting held on 27 February 2019
At Swarland Working Men's Club at 7.00pm

PRESENT: Lisa Hamlin, John Wilsdon, Keith Grimes, Sue Richardson, Brian Ripley, Christopher Benjamin,

	Action
<p>1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –Tom Patterson, Sue Hathaway, Peter Lovering, Jan Broderick</p>	
<p>2) MINUTES 16 01 2019– Accepted as a true record</p>	
<p>3) MATTERS ARISING</p> <p>Asian Hornet Brian Ripley is the Area Coordinator. In view of the relentless march of the Asian hornet across France and early spread into the UK, there was a proposal that all ADBKA bee keepers should be offered a trap to detect and destroy any invaders. Discussion ensued covering various points including, useful uptake by beekeepers, checking the traps, how many and distribution of traps, risk of the Asian hornet this far north, whether other flying insects are also trapped and cost It was agreed that an email be sent out to all members updating them with recent information and asking if they would be interested in using a trap Leaflets were thought to be helpful to give out at shows and at the apiary</p> <p>Alwickdotes No response to the chairmans request for an Editor. This will be raised at the next winter meeting</p> <p>Visit to Chainbridge 24 members have expressed an interest. Christpher Benjamin to be informed of numbers at the beginning of May and will liase with Willie Robson</p>	<p>BR JBW</p> <p>LH</p> <p>CB</p>
<p>4) TREASURERS REPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> £9,472 in balance The capitation fees to BBKA and Insurance need to be paid 	<p>KG</p>
<p>5) Shop</p> <p>6 volunteers to help run the shop. Ben Hopkinson, Robert Oliver, Alan Metcalfe, Chris Allen, Tom Patterson, Janice Johnson. Sue Hathaway present shop manager has now new personal commitments. The Chairman to talk to SH about the future management of the shop. LH to see if there is a job description</p>	<p>LH</p>
<p>6) APIARY UPDATE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 14 hives alive, All given Pollen A new subgroup to be set up to consider the future of the Apiary, in particular, for visitors (safety), Training Area and any other recommendations. The chairman to liase initially with Peter Rose, Brian Cole, Ron Smith Apiary hygiene It was agreed that the Apiary should be viewed as one site, ie in the absence of disease and the constant swapping of frames between hives then cleaning equipment between hives is not necessary. Plastic gloves should be worn. Apiary Cleanup Saturday 30 March An email from Glyn Scott detailing the work needed to be done will be circulated to all members 	<p>LH</p> <p>JBW</p>

