



ALNWICK & DISTRICT BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

Of the Committee Meeting held on 4 April 2019
At Swarland Working Men's Club at 7.00pm

PRESENT: Lisa Hamlin, John Wilsdon, Sue Richardson, Christopher Benjamin, Alan Culpitt, Jan Broderick, Tom Patterson, Peter Lovering

	Action
<p>1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –Keith Grimes, Brian Ripley</p> <p>The Chairman indicated that Brian Ripley wishes to stand down as deputy. A replacement is needed</p>	LH
<p>2) MINUTES 27 02 19– Accepted as a true record</p>	
<p>3) MATTERS ARISING</p> <p>Asian Hornet Following a talk by Graham Royale it would appear that the highest risk of invasion is in the Southern areas. This is where most effort for monitoring and detecting is taking place. At present the risk in Northumberland is very low. The committee decided that at the moment we should carefully watch developments and not yet take any action. To be reviewed at the next meeting</p> <p>Alnwickdotes No response to the chairman's request for an Editor. It was decided not to take any further action</p> <p>Buffet. 10 4 19 Approximately 30 members will be attending</p> <p>Apiary Clean Up. 30 3 19 Successfully organised by Glyn Scott with most work having been completed. Thanks to all.</p>	
<p>4) TREASURERS REPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> £7700 in balance The capitation fees to BBKA and Insurance need to be paid 	
<p>5) Shop Jan Broderick and Alan Culpitt were welcomed into their new role as Apiary Shop Managers. An assessment of stock is needed. The shop is to cover the costs of the Apiary and provide some discount to members, gained by buying in bulk and avoiding transport costs. It is a not for profit shop but NON ADBKA members will be charged the Thornes catalogue prices</p> <p>Volunteers will help. Shop will open on Saturdays from 20 April</p>	JB/AC
<p>6) APIARY UPDATE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13 hives alive, 1 recent loss The Apiary Development Group consists of Peter Rose, Brian Cole, Ron Smith, Glyn Scott and Brain Ripley Peter Rose is now the Apiary Manager The Capital Equipment list is being updated Discussion ensued as to whether the apiary should have a boiler to sterilise frames etc. There are HandS issues. Glyn Scott to be contacted 	LH LH

<p>7) TRAINING</p> <p>12 Novices to start the course 20 April. If wet the classroom at the zoo will be used</p> <p>Basic exam Being organised</p> <p>Mentor Groups. To be updated</p> <p>8) SUMMER WINTER TRAINING Chainbridge visit 18 5 19</p> <p>9) ARNIA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awaiting software update <p>10) SOCIALMEDIA</p> <p>Jan Broderick has updated the site. Advert free will cost approx. £35 per year and was agreed. Business card design was settled and 500 cards are to be ordered for use at shows etc (£22). Leaflets were not thought to be helpful when all information is on the website.</p> <p>The website needs some pictures of the apiary, links to the BBKA swarm map which can be accessed by the public.</p> <p>Shop prices may also be put on the website and possibly the option of preordering</p> <p>11) PR AND SHOWS</p> <p>ADBKA will be present at the two shows at Glendale, the first is for school children on 6 6 19 and also at Warkworth later. Volunteers will be needed.</p> <p>12) ENGAGING YOUTH IN BEEKEEPING</p> <p>No useful progress at the schools at present. Hopefully if provision for a 'bee safe tent' at the apiary can be provided then children could visit for the experience</p> <p>13 CORRESPONDENCE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peter Rose is liaising with UA3 for an apiary visit KG entering the members data onto the BBKA website particularly those who have volunteered to deal with swarms reported by the public <p>15) AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There has been a theft of a hive and a nucleus from Felton. Members to be circulated LH to confer with Glyn Scott to develop a list of those wanting bees There is to be a review as to who holds the apiary and associated keys and copies <p>16) DATE OF NEXT MEEING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursday 13 June 7pm at Swarland 	<p>PL</p> <p>PL</p> <p></p> <p>JB AC</p> <p>JB</p> <p></p> <p>SR CB</p> <p></p> <p></p> <p>KG</p> <p>LH</p> <p>LH</p> <p></p>