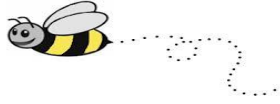


The Tivvy Buzzette

Newsletter of the Tiverton Beekeepers – March 2013

OUR NEXT BRANCH MEETINGS



Wednesday 20th March

David Packham: Preparing for the new season

Saturday 13th April

Nosema Day: Uplowman (instructions in April edition)

Saturday 20th April

Branch Spring Inspection: Jon Gubb, Voddens Apiary, Uffculme (directions in April Buzzette)

Saturday 25th May

Branch apiary meeting

16th – 18th May

Devon County Show

Saturday 15th June

Branch Spring Inspection

Saturday 27th July

Mid Devon Show

Saturday 1st August

Honiton Show

Please come out and support your branch at the meetings.

The Branch Library

During the tea break at the January meeting I spent time browsing through the books available to members. I borrowed two! I have just finished reading the first which is 'Honey & Dust' by Piers Moore Ede.

It is an account of the authors attempt to overcome depression & to rebuild his life following an horrific accident. A chance meeting with a beekeeper leads him in search of the 'old' ways of keeping bees & collecting honey. His travels take him around the world to many cultures. An easy but interesting read.

I look forward to reading the next borrowed book the topic of which has been alluded to in 'Honey & Dust.'

Janet Franklin.

Improvers Course Date

12th March

Honey Butter

100g unsalted butter

100g clear honey

1 tsp lemon juice

Cream butter until soft. Gradually beat in honey. Slowly add lemon juice and blend until smooth.

Store in fridge and use on toast and pancakes.

Honey Omelette

2 eggs separated. Whites beaten until stiff. Yolks lightly beaten. Fold together. Hot frying pan at the ready and pour eggs into pan. Cook for a few minutes until bubbles appear and base seems set then put under hot grill to set top. Slide on to plate and cover with honey. Fold over and eat immediately.

Recipes from Angela Owers – many thanks

Tiverton Beekeepers - Bulk Buying Scheme

Foundation

Hi, it is that time of year again when we need to get ready for the new season. After last year's successful bulk buying initiative, where members were able to save 25% on the cost of their Foundation requirements we are ready to accept orders again.

Firstly let me recap on the arrangements – attached to this will be an order form to allow you to place orders which will be collated by me and orders placed, and as long as we have a total of £200 (after the discount has been applied) we will all benefit from free delivery and also obtain a 25% discount on the published price. Last year approximately 9 members used the scheme and the order came to approximately £500 – there is a big saving to be had! We are going to be using Maisemore Apiaries once again.

The cost of Foundation is rising and I am aware that Maisemore's prices are going to rise by 2% and this has been taken into account in the prices shown on the order form!

So please if you would like to benefit from the bulk buying scheme please fill in the form and e-mail or post it back to me. Please ensure that you stick to the order deadline to ensure that there is no delay for members!

If you don't see the Foundation that you need on the form that is not a problem – we can order any type that Maisemore supply all we need to do is clearly identify the type required and calculate the cost – if there is a problem – give me a call!

Please get ordering!

Robert Fyfe

Tiverton Beekeepers Bulk Buy Co-ordinator

Committee News

Committee meetings:

Tuesday	5 th March
	7 th May
	9 th July

Meetings for Beginners

Beginners meetings:

Wednesday	13 th	March
	27 th	

Beginners hands on:

Saturday	6 th	April
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Beginners apiary:

Saturday	4 th	May
	1 st	June
	6 th	July
	3 rd	August

Note from your Buzzette Editor

Many thanks for your contributions. Please keep sending them in to me, or pass on a note at the meetings.

Sarah Lines