

The Tivvy Buzzette

Newsletter of the Tiverton Beekeepers – September 2015



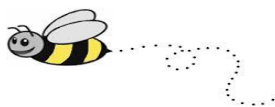
Branch BBQ and Honey Fest

Sunday 6th September, 2.00 pm at Uplowman Village Hall



This popular event for members and families is free. Please email tony.lindsell@btinternet.com ASAP, including number of family members, so we can ensure enough food for everyone. As in previous years please bring a sample of your honey so we can compare the different types produced across mid Devon.

This year we also have some live music to entertain us and we have some used equipment for sale including a small old honey extractor, a settling tank and some apidea mating hives. If you have some equipment you no longer need and wish to sell please bring it along.



OUR NEXT BRANCH MEETINGS

all at Uplowman Village Hall

Sunday 6th September, 2:00pm

End of season Branch BBQ & Honey Fest

Wednesday 16th September, 7.30pm

Honey extraction - Tips and thoughts

Wednesday 21st October, 7.30pm

Modern Beeping - polystyrene hives (tbc)

Wednesday 18th November, 7.30pm

AGM & film

Wednesday 16th December

Christmas meal

2016 meetings continue on the 3rd Wednesday evening of the month and will include Nuc Box hives - David Charles, Honey showing and judging - Jack Mummery, Drone mating zones - Dan Basterfield, and Cosmetic making.

Please support your branch at our meetings. We look forward to seeing you.

NBU warning of bee starvation risk

Hopefully you are registered with the NBU and have been sent this email, if not please see it at <http://tivertonbeekeepers.org.uk/resource.aspx?id=4437>

Beginners' Apiary meetings

5th September Preparing for
winter, Roliphants Farm,
Crazelowman, EX16 7DF

The next **Beginners' Course** will be held at Uplowman Village Hall, starting on Wednesday 7th October 2015 from 7.30 to 9.30 pm. There will be a series of ten meetings, five before Christmas and a further five in the New Year, ending in March 2016. We hope to run another **Improvers' Course** early next year.

Please see the website for details and the application form <http://tivertonbeekeepers.org.uk/>

Bulk Buying Bargain Honey Jars

Congratulations! I had my garage back before the end of August!

Thanks to everyone who bought into our first venture of buying honey jars by the thousands at a bargain price. We will most probably repeat the offer next year.

Our next planned bulk purchase will be foundation in January next year. Keep a lookout on our Branch Website and in the Buzzette.

If anyone has other ideas that we can buy in bulk and save money, please contact me through email.

All our bulk purchases are sold at cost. All the savings go to our members.

Derek EVANS
Bulk Buying Coordinator

Dear Tiverton Beekeepers,

The Devon Beekeepers Association have scheduled a special meeting at Meldon Village Hall, Okehampton on 19th September at 9.30 a.m. The meeting is to ratify changes to the County Constitution in order to comply with The Charity Commissioners Guidelines. These changes may have some impact on the operation of our club.

The meeting is for members who attend to vote on the proposed constitution. The proposals are due to be published in the September County booklet. I would respectfully ask you to read the contents and form your own views and opinions.

I am fully aware that the venue and time is not favourable to our members. If there are any items with any of the proposals that you have concerns about, and cannot attend the meeting, will you please contact Tony or myself prior to the meeting with your concerns or points you wish to have raised. The voting will be taken by the people present, although Tony or myself will put forward your views prior to the voting.

Tony and I have no further information on the proposals, so we cannot give you any prior information before the booklet arrives.

Kind regards Malcolm Jenkins, Chairman.

Note from your Buzzette Editor

Many thanks for your contributions. If you would like to send in an article please send it to arrive before the last Thursday of the preceding month as text and photos to:

Post Galleons Lap,
Plymtree,
Cullompton,
EX15 2LQ

Or pass on a note at the meetings.

Sarah Lines

<http://tivertonbeekeepers.org.uk/>