

The Tivvy Buzzette



The newsletter of the Tiverton Beekeepers ~ September 2016

Tiverton Beekeepers are a branch of The Devon Beekeepers Association. Registered Charity No 270675.

Branch Meetings.

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Branch BBQ Sunday 4th 2pm Uplowman Village Hall.

Wed 21st Sept: Ian Homer on the International Meeting of Young Beekeepers, 7:30 at Uplowman Village Hall.

Beginners meeting with Keith Owers. The next and last meeting will be on Saturday Sept 10th. Preparing for winter.

There are still a few places left on the 2016/17 if you know of anyone who wants to join the course, let me know asap. Keith Owers.

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

Your Help Needed!

As the summer comes to the end we move indoors with our programme of winter lectures. The branch meeting in November is our AGM and we are looking to more of our members to help in the running of the branch. The Branch is thriving at the moment and there is always plenty to do including helping at the Apiary, involvement in the summer shows and displays, educating and training our members, the general public and schools, writing articles for the Buzzette and website, helping with our library books, organising speakers for our meetings and administering the running of the branch (treasurer and secretary) - just to name a few !

Please talk to our Chairman, Malcolm or any committee members if you think you can help. I'm sure they will tell you that it can be fun and will add to your beekeeping experience

Apiary meeting August 13th

The Apiary Meeting at Knightshayes was well attended by a range of members from those who've been keeping bees for some time to those yet to have their own bees. The weather was good and Baruch guided members through what was going on in the hives. The meeting finished with much tea being drunk, a wide range of sumptuous cakes being enjoyed and the buzz of Beekeepers talking about bees!



Bulk Purchasing Scheme

Two bargains:-

1. I have Ambrosia Syrup 12.5kg (10 litres) at £13.08 a container left from the second delivery, as the first pallet load shot out of my garage! Much easier than making your own syrup! The bees love it!
2. The 1 lb gold screw top honey jars with lids have arrived; price is £19.90 per box of 72 jars.

If possible, email me first on 'jender008@gmail.com' or phone 07977 922173 or 01884 257726.

Unfortunately, I am away between 2nd and 10th Sept. So try to contact me before or after these dates.

The aim of our scheme is that 100% of the money saved with our bulk purchasing scheme is passed on to our members. No money goes to club funds.

This year, we have decided not to stock Apiguard, the varroa treatment. If you want some, please contact David Pearce directly.

Derek EVANS Bulk Purchasing Coordinator

Dates for your Diary

Branch BBQ & Honey Fest.

Your last notice for the annual BBQ which is on the 4th September, 2.00 pm at Uplowman Village Hall. All members and family welcome, just email me tony.lindsell@btinternet.com so we've got an idea of numbers. After a very successful year for the Branch and our members we will be celebrating by displaying our Bee Olympic stand and our trophies. As usual please bring a sample of your bees' honey so we can compare and contrast flavour, colour and texture across Mid Devon.

Beekeepers Christmas Dinner Tiverton Motel Wednesday 14th December 2016.

Times, menu and price to follow next month. "Please mark it in your diary now!"

Many thanks Gavin Scott.

Cornwall & West Cornwall Beekeepers Associations Present:

"A bit of a do"

Principle lectures/talks by

Glyn Davies, Ged Marshall, Dr. Michael Keith-Lucas

At The Fal Building, Truro & Penwith College, Truro.

Saturday 10th September.

Tickets: £12 Advance / £15 on the door complimentary Tea/Coffee & Biscuits available all day.

Pasties at lunchtime should be booked with your ticket
10am – 5pm, registration from 9am.

Tickets & Pasties can be booked after 1st July from:

Heather Williams, Quillet Cottage, Trenwheal, Leedstown. Cornwall. TR27 6BP.

For full details please go to www.westcornwallbka.org.uk or contact Mark/Sue Hoult 01566 774618

If you have any interesting articles relating to Bees & Beekeeping, please do not hesitate to forward them to me by email to jon.gubb@voddens.co.uk by the 27th of the month for inclusion in the next months edition of the Buzzette.