

HARROW BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 16th June 2010
8.0pm at the ABC Hatch End

Present: Judy Earl, Odette Thomas, Aubrey Kutner, Jo Telfer, Aline Bowers, Susan Kelly

Pat Dutson, Brian Desborough, Danuta Loveday, Moira Spiers

Apologies: John House, Van Hinman

Minutes: of the committee meeting of 14th April, 2010 read & accepted.

ACTION

Matters Arising:

May Day at the Harrow Museum went well in spite of poor weather; profit of £63.30
Bentley Priory – busy day with big turn-out; profit of £98.65
Grimsdyke Open Day – we sold out of honey & candle rolling; with raffle profit of £180

Treasurer's report:

Current account: £4685.82
Savings account: £4012.17

Aubrey produced receipts & payments for year ending 31 December 2009.
First stock take has produced a profit on equipment for sale of £555.01.
Thanks to Jo for the profit made on our educational courses and to Aubrey for obtaining Gift Aid. These accounts signed and then to be certified by an independent examiner, before filing with the Charity Commission by 31.10.10.

Apiary sub-committee:

a) £275 for a 5 year lease from LB Harrow.
Confusion over the draft lease; Judy is contacting Frances Dowling regarding the requirement of insurance and ownership of the buildings.

Judy

b) Purchase of an observation hive to take to events discussed.
Felt that a cedar hive would be longer lasting & lighter than white wood
Jo to contact Thornes and given go-ahead to purchase.

Jo

c) 2 Vents @ £15 each to be purchased for container.

Brian

20 cu yds of scalping to be purchased for the track to apiary

Brian

Events:

Harrow provided most of the stewards on the BBKA/Saga stand and in the Bee Garden at the Grand Designs Live at the ExCel Centre 1st – 9th May.

Judy thanked for organising the stewards.. Enjoyable event with lots of interest and Mike Harris, Gen. Sec. of BBKA pleased with our involvement.

Jo would like to keep an account of equipment to be borrowed for training/educational purposes when taken from the A.B.C. To contact Jo if items are to be borrowed along with

an entry in the diary

Middlesex Show – 19th & 20th June This event probably cancelled

Insect Day at Gardening Club (Wyevale Garden Centre)June 26th. Moira will be there.

Canon's Park open day Sunday 18th July - Pat will organise.

Pat

Cheese and wine date fixed for 24th July. 4.0pm. Tickets £6.50

Harrow in Leaf schedule out. Doreen & Dianne at pre-show meeting today. Agreed to increase

the cost of 1lb jars of honey to £4.80 and half pound jars to £2.90. No other increases. Bill to be asked about the cost of squeeze teddies.

Aline

President's Day. Van has suggested tea at his house in September. Van to suggest a date

possibly mid to late September.

AOB:

Jo very pleased that 7 members passed the Basic Beekeeping Exam including Michael Tylden-Pattenson aged 15.

Odette will request a date of return when equipment items are borrowed.

Brian arranging for dead hives to be removed from apiaries to be inspected.

Liam Kenny has become allergic to bee stings and would like his colony and 2 nucs. to be moved swiftly.

Pinner and Ruislip annual honey show schedule is out: Oct 9th

Charging for swarms given out to members discussed. No decision made.

Those involved in training to get together to discuss Taster Day and next year's course.

Many Saturdays next year are already booked with events.

Dates:

26th June Insect Day at Gardening Club (Wyevale)

18th July Canon's Park Day

24th July Cheese & Wine at ABC Hatch End 4.0pm tickets £6.50

29th & 31st August Harrow in Leaf Show

9th October Pinner & Ruislip honey show

13th November HBKA AGM

26th February 2011 Federation Day in Perivale; Ealing to organise.

Date of next meeting:

Wed. 11th August at 8.00pm at the ABC, Hatch End.

Meeting ended at 9.30pm