

Committee Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> January 2010  
36 Elm Park Road 8pm

**Present-** Pat Dutson, Judy Earl, Jo Telfer, Odette Thomas, Aubrey Kutner

**Apologies-** John House, Brian Desborough, Susan Kelly, Aline Bowers Moira Spiers

**Minutes of Last Meeting-** Agreed

**Matters arising-** covered by separate agenda items. Agreed to have shortened meeting, only discussing most necessary items and carrying forward others to next meeting, due to weather conditions ..

**Treasurer** – could not give up to date account until stock take completed. Brian had agreed to have this done, but has been delayed due to the snow. Brian also intended to move stock to the container, but this has again been delayed due to weather, and condensation in container. Plans are to move stock next week – Brian was grateful for offers of help but prefers to do alone.

Balances **Current account** £ 5581.06

**Deposit Account** £4008.16

Outstanding-

Judy still needs to give monies from calendar sales to Aubrey Mohammed Jagani still not paid- He has a hive at Orchard Grove, so until he pays, none of the other hives are insured on this site.

Judy agreed to follow this up

Unclear how many hives Bashir Fatiah has, and has paid for- Again Judy agreed to look into this.

Sarah Foster still not paid, again Judy will follow up

2 people who paid direct into our bank account didn't supply details but have been traced. 1 person who paid this way cannot be traced.

Agreed Jude will contact all members not thought to have paid this year- hopefully one person will disagree and match signature on the paying in slip.

Jo advised she then needs the names of people who have not paid, to delete from the BBKA List.

**Federation** Matters that Pat will vote in favour or against as delegate are published in the federation minutes.

Did discuss at length the probably implications of increased subscriptions, as a result of voting in favour of the Twickenham proposal. All agreed however that BBKA should not be seen to endorse certain pesticides as it is not known if some may be found to be harmful in the future

**Training.** Jo advised there will be a meeting Monday to discuss training

Module exam- some interest- feel could run course in ABC but would need to agree dates.

Growing interest in people wanting to do The Basic Bee Course. It was emphasised at the meeting however, that applicants must have kept bees for a minimum of one full year.

Aubrey identified problem with using professional copy of openoffice org when emailing information concerning training days.- many people's home computers will not allow these files to be opened

**Harrow in Leaf-** (Judy advised they cancelled their recent meeting due to weather). However the schedule for Harrow in leaf show is completed-it will mirror last year's schedule. Derek Osborne is chairing the show committee. There still appears to be some conflict concerning other committee members, but the general feeling is that this is being addressed

Judy asked if she can book the same judge we used last year our exhibits. This was agreed.

**FERA** letter. BBKA contacted Jo before xmas (as they did other secretaries) offering money for members to attend a City Guilds Training course 'training the trainers'. Intended to be used to enhance skills re training in aspects of bee keeping. This money needed to be spent by end of financial year.

Jo did initially consider this course, but after reading full criteria and work involved, had decided that she could not commit the time. Concern was raised by Aubrey as to how FERA obtained secretaries numbers. Judy advised that she thought BBKA year book was available to buy. Jo will look into this

### **Any other business**

Judy advised that she was in the process of drawing up a new members list and will try to ensure has updated emails.

Forager is now quarterly

Odette asked that she could have an official handover of the equipment held at the apiary for use of members from John House  
Meeting closed 8.50pm

Next meeting agreed Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb ABC as usual

