

HARROW BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 9th May 2012
8.0pm at the ABC, Hatch End

Present Judy Earl, Odette Thomas, Jo Telfer, Aubrey Kutner, Moira Spiers, Aline Bowers,
Brian Desborough, Danuta Loveday,

1. Apologies Doreen Pattenson, Liz Rowan, Pat Dutson, John Lawton

2. Minutes of the committee meeting of 14th March 2012 read & accepted.

3. Matters Arising

Hedging now in place at Village Way & Roxeth apiaries. More to do at Roxeth site.

Generator will need regular servicing. Odette to speak to Norman Morley.

Forager: Stephen Cameron would like ideas for Harrow Notes to be sent to him.

Questionnaire: Brian and Jo working on this.

Apiary Rules: In process of being revised and clarified.

Jo to re-email Alan Byham re. inspection of hives and evening talk on Mon. 18th June.

Need a good turnout of members for his talk.

Jo thanked for co-ordinating Beginners' Course which went well.

BBKA will only allow extra time for module exams for those who have been in the UK for 2 years or less.

The missing HBKA veils have reappeared.

Doreen thanked for providing overhead projector.

Judy said the Spring Convention at new venue was a very successful event.

Jo will contact Van re. date & details for President's Day.

4. Treasurer's Report

Aubrey said that he had received no queries on the accounts which have now been sent to our "auditor and independent examiner". The accounts were signed and can now go forward to the Charity Commission along with the Trustees' report. Need to be filed by October.

Balances:	Current Account	£8789.59
	Cash	28.14
	Deposit Account	4016.18.

We have paid most of our creditors.

5. Harrow in Leaf

Liz has booked our judges for Harrow in Leaf show – Mike Duffin & Bernard Diaper
Quiz was a success with Terry Frisch making it an entertaining evening.

Plant Sale – 19th May 11.0am – 2.0pm at West Harrow
AGM – 24th May at West Harrow allotments
BBQ - 21st July. Details not yet available.

6. Events

13th May Sunday. No hives to be opened – Triathlon.
16th May 6.0pm Brownies to the ABC for talk by Jo. Aline & Carole to help.
27th May Stanmore Society Village Fete in Bernays Garden, Stanmore. Bill and Judy will run this event.
28th June Brownies to ABC. Help needed.
15th July Canon's Park open day. Nothing heard yet from organiser.

7. Equipment Officer - vacancy

We need someone who lives locally, to take over this role. Judy will email round for a replacement.

8. Any Other Business

Judy thanked the May Day team for the beekeeping stall. Profit of £82.61 made in spite of very poor weather. Suggestion that coloured wax purchased for candle rolling. Felt that an HBKA banner would identify our stand at such events. Judy will investigate. Aline to send out list of swarm collectors to local authorities. Jo will discuss at meeting of Middx. Federation, organising a question & answer evening with Ian Homer. Felt that new beekeepers would benefit from this. Decided that our Yates Study Notes should not be lent out. Brian gave out the sad news that Chris Marsh, wife of Harry had recently died.

Dates

27th May Sat. Stanmore Society Village Fete, Bernays Gardens, Stanmore
18th June Inspection of hives and evening talk by Alan Byham at Hatch End.
23rd June Sat. 12 – 4.0pm St. John's School Summer Fair, Green Lane, Stanmore.
7th July Sat. HBKA Summer Social from 5.0pm at Hatch End Apiary
26th & 27th August 12 – 5pm. Harrow in Leaf 8th Horticultural Show at Harrow Museum & Heritage Centre.

Date of next meeting

Wed. 11th JULY 2012 at 8.0pm

Meeting ended at 9.45pm