



CANTERBURY BEEKEEPERS



A branch of Kent Beekeepers Association

Agenda and Minutes of
Committee Meeting

**10TH MARCH
2016
7-9PM**

THE OLD GATE INN

**162-164 NEW DOVER ROAD,
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Attendees:

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Contact secretary to
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AGENDA

ACTIONS

<p>1. Actions arising from last mtg <i>Identify incomplete items</i> <i>Map of members: attachment 1</i></p>	<p>Nothing identified.</p>
<p>2. Spring Schedule <i>Meetings for Apr/May/June</i></p> <p>Swarms, casts and control 6 April (AD) <i>Whitefriars booked</i></p> <p><i>Bee safari (KW can't do 1st Saturday of month)</i></p> <p><i>Kent drone marking w/e 14-15 May (attachment 2)</i></p> <p><i>Possible open day (JCA)</i></p>	<p>14th or 21st May bee safari (AD). Post meeting, confirmed as 14th May with Kay Wreford.</p> <p>Club meeting; 4th June Saturday 2-4.30pm (visiting members)</p> <p>2nd July Bekesbourne (cutting back + BBQ)</p> <p>6th August (club meeting)</p> <p>3rd September (club meeting)</p>
<p>3. Bekesbourne Apiary management <i>Update from Martin</i></p> <p><i>Management meeting proposal from JCA</i></p>	<p>Jan has new lock; engage Chris d'Souza in discussion about applying hardcore (which MN can furnish) Inspections begin on 12th March</p> <p>Apiary management sub-committee endorsed – Action: MN will invite the committee post-mtg.</p> <p>17 volunteers so far (lead/assistant) equates to 3 inspections for each person in the active season</p> <p>Officer of branch will host SBI on Bee Safari (14th May)</p> <p>Keep master records in the shed. Need a container – Action: JS has volunteered to provide Perspex box</p> <p>£281.55 of equipment purchased, and currently with DC. DC will build a shelf to enable frame assembly in shed Action: DC to update club inventory on dropbox</p> <p>Enhanced inspection day to make up frames; tie in with Bee Safari. On wet days, make up frames in sheds</p> <p>A proposal for a Working party to repair tracks – 2nd April. Action: JS/MN after discussion with Chris d'souza</p>
<p>4. Feedback on Welcome</p>	<p>Be wary of over-promising</p>

<p>Pack Attachment 3</p>	<p>Reduce emphasis on Honey Sales Consider a few "vox pop" – positive statement about who to contact (DC). Action: MMH to draft a "joining the branch" snippet.</p> <p>Beef up introduction. Page numbers. Take the BBKA swarm collector website references out</p> <p>Use to generate a one page summary for meet-the-public event.</p> <p>Action: AD, aim to finish above by end of March. Put on private website. JCA course finishes mid-April</p>
<p>5. Neighbourhood groups update</p>	<p>Action: DC to review current groups – leaders for groups should have Basic Certificate, and some gumption See attachment 1 for map, or this link for google map (may not work for all)</p>
<p>6. Meet the public</p> <p>Brogdale (MM) Strawberry Fair 12 June Cherry fair 17 July Apple Festival 15/16 October</p> <p>BeeDays (MR) 11th June, 27th August</p> <p>East Kent Ploughing Match Wed 28th September, Nonington</p>	<p>Brogdale will require: talks; observation hives; sales and chat coverage. DC to circulate a talk plan Need to acquire plastic table cloths (action: MR to investigate, liaise with JCA over table size). NB JCA on holiday on 17th July</p> <p>BeeDays: try for a different weekend in June – possibly 18th (action: MR)</p> <p>New event: Possibility of helping out with Canterbury in Bloom (await request from Whitefriars)</p> <p>All Meet the Public events need information sheets: JCA courses, what the branch do, List of upcoming events (action: AD to compile)</p> <p>Possibility of Open Days: re-visit at next committee meeting (action: AD for agenda: JCA as topic lead)</p>
<p>7. Branch website</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Swarm collection - Honey sales - Access control - Other opportunities to collect information (member application/renewal forms, beginner's course?) 	<p>The committee approved honey sales going public (action: JCA to add his details) Access to website now reflects 2016 membership Investigate the forms mentioned (action: AD to lead, with help from JS (membership forms); JCA (course forms). Target July committee mtg for completion</p> <p>Publish the CBKA calendar link (action AD) in newsletter</p>
<p>8. KBKA/BBKA business</p>	<p>KBKA meeting on Saturday 12th March</p>

<p>9. Finances and Membership</p>	<p>JM supplied current finance details – unaudited. Shown below as attachment</p> <p>Action: JS to update dropbox with details of new members from Feb</p>
<p>10. AOB</p> <p><i>Dates of next meetings</i></p>	<p>ALK (a company manufacturing desensitization kits) contact wishes to contact secretaries to increase awareness of desensitization – Action: DC to contact J S-S</p> <p>Tuesday 3rd May (change), Tuesday 5th July</p>

ATTACHMENTS

1. Member map 2016: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/bikgabt2skzzrpu/member%20map%202016.jpg?dl=0>
2. Drone Drifting: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/vg2v1m7hafq0xly/drone%20drifting%20Jan16.pdf?dl=0>
3. Welcome Pack draft: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/ji8pf42aqu8rife/CBKA%20welcome%20pack%202016%20draft.pdf?dl=0>

FINANCIALS

AS AT 10TH MARCH 2016

	Receipts		Expenses
b/fwd 1 st October 2015			
Investment account	215.84	To County	824.85
Current account	2601.63	To Beecraft	891.00
Cash	377.97	Xmas Social Magdalene	140.00
		Shirts/caps	311.40
TOTAL	3195.44	Show sundries	26.98
		M Barr	see below
Subscriptions	1549.25	Apiary – sugar	19.00
Sale of hats/shirts	196.00	Apiary – equipment	281.55
Xmas Social	210.00	subscription shortfall	1.00
Meetings	45.48	Website	151.20
Beecraft	795.00	Meetings	65.58
BDI	41.35		
Donations	15.00		2712.56
Bank interest	0.50		
Honey sale commissions	87.09	As at 10 th March 2016	
M Barr	2.70	Investment account	216.34
		Current account	2867.34
		Cash	341.57
	6137.81		
		BALANCING FIGURE ONLY	6137.81
		TO PAY	
		M Barr	2.70