

Minutes of Committee Meeting

Epsom Division of SBKA on Monday 6th Jun 2011 at 7:45 p.m.
Upper Mill, Kingston Road, Ewell, Surrey

1. Members Present
Mollie Bonard (Chair), Andrew Barnett, Jill Forbes, Marysia Owsianka, Caroline Herring, Sue Lloyd, Peter Smith, Alasdair Maclean, Philip Shepherd, Andrew Knott, David Dowson.
2. Apologies
Sheila Chamberlain, Kimberly Gimenes
3. Agreement of last minutes
4. Matter Arising
Ian Lawson did not want payment for extractor given to EBKA
MB not needed to sort out the allotment issue.
Chessington Apiary PS to chase re date for meeting.
5. Agree AOB Items
Mentoring
6. Correspondence
7. Treasurer's Report
See Attached Report
Waitrose charity of the month for July in Epsom.
8. Proposed new purchase etc.
Solar Wax Extractor purchased.
Banner for EBKA. 6Ft x 2ft Epsom beekeepers + www address / email plus flag type. PS to get prices
9. Apiary Maintenance
Maintenance day Sunday 10 July "Tidy up Apiary" 10:00.
David Dowson to draw up a list for a working party Sep / Oct DD to advise date.

MB to feedback: Flip Baker re cost and advise on heaters
10. Apiary Trading.
PS to contact Steve re obtaining foundation.
11. Membership
New Members still applying
12. Library
Nothing to report.
One book is missing Newsletter article to request it be returned. Buzz About Bees by Tauzt
13. Apiary Reports
Hive 1 all bees have gone. Don't know why.

MO to use acetic acid on un-drawn frames.
Possible Apiary at Chessington Garden Centre PS to chase.
Vernons being sold?. MO to try and substantiate the rumour.

14. Fixtures – dates for the diary
BBQ 18th £5.00 Adult £2.50 children 10 or under. CH /KG to arrange meat & buns drink etc.
Raffle prizes requested.
Epsom Training and Development Fund. Epsom Downs 29th August JF to arrange and negotiate the price.
15. Website / Newsletter
16. Queen Rearing 2011
Report Attached
Vote carried to spend additional £500 on equipment, treatment and sugar etc. All equipment now used. 2 nuc's available for sale now at agreed price of £125. To be made available to members. Waiting list for new colonies. Swarms / bees still needed to stop the drain on the existing bee colonies.
17. Members handbook
Additional photos being added before publication JF
18. Training
 1. Feedback from open meeting.
 2. Monthly / fortnightly evening.
 - 2.1 External speakers ?
 - 2.2 Dates for club nights etc. for the rest of the year. MB to arrange. In Autumn.
 - 2.3 Training beginners sessions Starting on Jan 10th £40.00 deposit to be asked for. Cost of course £80.
19. Any Other Business
Mentoring MO continuing to push forward with map showing location of members and hives to enable local mentors to be sought to assist beginners.

Questionnaire form to go out to members AM to look at existing questions and re-write.
20. Date of Next Meeting July 4th

August 8th
September 5th
Oct 3rd
November 7th

AGM November 12th