

## January Beekeeping Notes—written by Pat Allen

- Repair/prepare spare equipment.
- Plan for 2019 and take advantage of January sales.
- Check the hives are all upright and not being attacked by woodpeckers or invaded by mice.
- A little fondant over the crownboard holes will do no harm.

### Bulk Buys

Prices for Wired Wax Foundation x 10 sheets

BS Brood £9.50

BS Super £6.10

BS 12x14 £16.10

Comm Brood £13.00

Comm Super £ 8.25

National Bee Supply Frame prices are subject to quantity ordered.

This rough price will be held to 8 Feb as prices will be increasing

Price for a 10 x flat pack should be no more than:

DN5 £14.80

SN1 £11.50

Apiguard per 1 x hive treatment

£4.50

Please e.mail me with your requirements to

[lorna.pattle@outlook.com](mailto:lorna.pattle@outlook.com)

Alternatively forms will be at the AGM on 3 January 19

**Lorna Pattle**

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# Romford Division

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

**Committee Meeting:** The date for the next committee meeting will be decided at the AGM.

**February meeting:** Thursday 7th February 2019, 8pm

**Venue:** Chadwick Hall as usual.

**Topic:** 'Bee Diseases & Exotic Pests'

**Speaker:** David Rudland of East Surrey Bees and an ex-Bee Inspector.

### Courses for 2019:

**Beekeeping Taster Session:** We will run a 3-hour Taster Session for non-beekeepers in August.

**Beginners Beekeeping Course:** The Beginners Course will run on Tuesday evenings from 16th April through to 25th June. Forms from Pat Allen.

**Intermediate/Refresher Sessions:** Please let Pat Allen know if you are interested in a brushing up your knowledge and skills in any of the following topics: Changing Combs; Swarm Control; Managing Nucs & Mini-nucs; Integrated Pest Management; Honey Extraction. All sessions except Honey Extraction include tips on 'finding the queen'.

These intermediate sessions will only run if there is sufficient demand so please give an indication as soon as possible if you are interested.

**Pat Allen**

### Call for volunteers!



Don't forget volunteers are needed for your club. ***The post of Secretary is vacant.*** This is not an onerous task and would only need a few hours of your time. Please talk to Pat Allen to find out what is involved.

Please consider sparing a few hours of your time to help run your division. It really is a great way to get involved, build your skills and meet new people!

Thank you.

### Swarm List 2019:

If you would like to be on the swarm collection list for 2019 please let Pat Allen know. Note that to be put on either the local or the BBKA's Swarm Collector List you must have passed the Basic Assessment.

If you are new to beekeeping and would like to know how to collect a swarm safely, then let Pat know. You can then join a more experienced beekeeper to 'learn the ropes' when the call comes.

### Christmas Party – 6<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Four tables of members came to enjoy the Christmas festivities. We had a varied and sumptuous buffet. Plenty for second or even third helpings.

We all enjoyed the two question sheets with the lower scorer receiving the prize!

The trophies from the honey show were handed out to the respective winners.

A raffle of brightly wrapped gifts was held with lots of prizes.

A good Christmas party was had by all who attended.

**JILLY SPEAKMAN-BELL**

### EBKA Romford: Annual General Meeting 3rd January 2019

#### A G E N D A

- 1 Apologies for absence
  - 2 Signing of the Minutes of 2018 AGM  
(Minutes approved by members in February 2018)
  - 3 Correspondence relevant to the AGM
  - 4 Officers' Reports (*tabled*)
  - 5 Presentation of 2018 Divisional Accounts
  - 6 Elections to Committee ***Holder in 2018***

Chairman	Jim McNeill
DVM/EBKA Trustee	Paul Wiltshire
Vice Chair	Arthur Huggins
Treasurer	Bob Manning
Secretary	( <i>vacant</i> )
Programme Secretary	Dawn Doyland
Show Secretary	Angela Mander
O/A Wardens:	
Brentwood	John Whittard
Havering	Terry Watson
Hornchurch	Norman McDonald
The Chase	Arthur Huggins ( <i>standing down</i> )
Teaching Apiary	Michael Speakman-Bell
Bee Garden Warden	Arthur Huggins
Lay Committee:	Rob Hyde, Liz McNeill, Michael Webb
  - 7 Date & Venue of Next Committee Meeting
  - 8 Elections to Other Posts: ***Holder in 2018***

President	Terry Watson
Education Officers	Pat Allen, Helen Kingsford
Mailing Secretary	Terry Watson
Members Secretary	Pat Allen
Bulk Buys Secretary	Lorna Pattle
Disease Liaison Contacts	Andy Casson, Roger Legg
Independent Examiner	Vernon Amor
  - 9 Other posts:

Equipment Secretaries	Pádraig Floyd, Norman McDonald, Paul Wiltshire Pat Allen, Robert Hyde
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  - 10 Any other business relevant to the AGM
  - 11 Date of next AGM: Thursday 2nd January 2020
- (Minutes of this AGM will be reviewed for accuracy at the February members meeting.)