

Bulk Buys

I will be making a bulk purchase of sterilised wired wax foundation, NBS frames and Apiguard in February

Sterilised Wired Wax x 10 sheet

BS Brood - £10.40

BS Super - £6.40

BS 14 X 12- £17.20

Comm Brood - £14.50

Comm Super - £9.40

National Bee Supplies Frame prices are subject to quantity ordered and P&P this year. I hope that with sufficient numbers ordered the prices are no more than:

DN5 Brood Frames £15.75

SN1 Super Frames £12.50

Apiguard per 1 hive treatment - £4.50

Please email your requirements to

lorna.pattle@outlook.com

Alternatively, forms will be at the AGM on 2nd January

Lorna Pattle

January Beekeeping Notes

- Repair and prepare spare equipment.
- Read and learn.
- Plan for 2020 (January sales are on).
- Check hives are upright and not attacked by mice or woodpeckers.
- A little fondant over the crownboard holes will do no harm

Pat Allen

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EBKA Charity Number: 1031419

January 2020

Romford Division

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Committee Meeting: Wednesday 22nd January, 7.30pm
Jim's Place,
Collier Row

February meeting: Thursday 6th at 8pm
Venue: Chadwick Hall Main Road, Gidea Park, RM2 5EL

Speaker: Filippo Negri

Topic: Chunk Honey in a Jar



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2020 Swarm List

If you would like to be on the swarm collection list for 2020 please let Pat Allen know. Note that to be put on either the local or the BBKA Swarm Collector Lists you must be a paid up member and have passed the Basic Assessment.

If you are a new beekeeper 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.

Pat Allen

Courses for 2020:

Beekeeping Taster Session: We will run a 3-hour Taster Session for non-beekeepers in August. Date and venue tba.

Beginners Beekeeping Course: This course will run for nine sessions on Tuesday evenings from 21st April to 23rd June. Booking forms from Pat Allen or download from the website.

Intermediate/Refresher Sessions: Please let Pat Allen know if you are interested in brushing up or extending your knowledge and skills in any of the following: 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 sessions will only run if there is sufficient demand so please speak up as soon as possible if you are interested. Sessions last about two hours and are either free or carry a small charge if there are costs to cover.

Basic Assessment Preparation: Pat will run a BA prep session if there are enough people who are thinking of entering for this Assessment. You do not have to sign up to the Assessment itself to come to the preparation session. The BA is a purely practical assessment, just you and the Assessor, using the Assessor's bees, and gaining this will give you confidence in handling your bees. Some Allotment Associations insist on this qualification if you wish to keep bees on your allotment. In 2019 two members from Romford Div entered for the BA and both gained the Miss Avey Awards (EBKA award of certificate and £25). Many of you are eligible, you only have to have managed a colony of your own for a couple of seasons.

Pat Allen

CHRISTMAS PARTY – 5TH DECEMBER 2019

Our Annual Christmas Party was as usual a most enjoyable evening. Four tables of revellers joined in the Christmas festivities.

Lots of fun was had with the competition quiz, and many gifts won by the raffle.

The winning cups were handed out to the winners all engraved with names and dates.

We all shared a wonderful array of tasty Christmas fare, which had been provided by each member at the party. A good start to December and Christmas.

Many thanks go to Liz and her team for all the hard work they do!

Jilly Speakman-Bell



EBKA Romford: Annual General Meeting 2 January 2020

A G E N D A

- 1 Apologies for absence
- 2 Signing of the Minutes of 2019 AGM
(Minutes approved by members in February 2019)
- 3 Correspondence relevant to the AGM
- 4 Officers' Reports (*tabled*)
- 5 Presentation of 2019 Divisional Accounts
- 6 Elections to Committee
DVM/EBKA Trustee
Chairman
Vice Chair
Treasurer
Secretary
Programme Secretary
Show Secretary
O/A Wardens:
Brentwood
Havering
Hornchurch
The Chase
Teaching Apiary
Bee Garden Warden
Lay Committee:
7 Date & Venue of Next Committee Meeting
- 8 Elections to Other Posts:
President
Education Officers
Mailing Secretary
Membership Secretary
Bulk Buys Secretary
Disease Liaison Contacts
Independent Examiner
- 9 Other posts:
Equipment Secretaries
- 10 Any other business relevant to the AGM
- 11 Date of next AGM: Thursday 7th January 2021

Holder in 2019

Paul Wiltshire [*standing down*]
Jim McNeill
Arthur Huggins [*standing down*]
Bob Manning
Sue Richardson
Dawn Doyland
Angela Mander

John Whittard
Terry Watson
Norman McDonald
Rob Hyde
Michael Speakman-Bell
Rob Hyde
Liz McNeill [*+ 3 vacancies*]

Holder in 2019

Terry Watson
Pat Allen, Helen Kingsford
Terry Watson
Pat Allen
Lorna Pattle
Andy Casson, Roger Legg

Pádraig Floyd, Norman McDonald,
Paul Wiltshire
Pat Allen, Robert Hyde

(Minutes of this AGM will be reviewed for accuracy at the February members meeting.)