

**Minutes of meeting held on Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2018, 7.30pm at Tony Payne's**

**ACTION**

1. Present: Alan Seager (Chair), Tony Payne (President), Richard Martin, Roger Chapman, Andy Smith, Felix Oliver, Maggie Lawrence  
Apologies: Kirsten Ryland
2. The minutes of the previous meeting were amended, agreed and signed as correct
3. Matters arising – progress since last meeting
  - 3b. AS still waiting for copy of Ipswich Expenses Policy
  10. Emergency response groups being organised by County
  - 10b FO agreed to put Events Form tab on first page of website
  - 10d ASm discovered leaflets from Sandringham available from BBKA at a cost
  - 10f KR given authority to buy the banner she thinks best. ASm asked that she did not compromise on quality

FO

KR

Matters arising

8. Programme of events for club Apiary 2019 being worked on
12. AP to send asset register to ML to file
14. New gazebo to be bought in Spring 2019

AP/ML

AP

4. Correspondence:
  - a. ML mentioned Malcolm Brunwin emails and expressed upset at not being kept in the loop. AS has spoken to him. Brunwin is lawyer whose main concern on not being registered as a member is his lack of insurance on the honey he sells. He does not want free year's membership but his dissatisfaction recorded. ASm/RC to look into what member insurance covers. AS to write formal letter of apology.

AS

5. Treasurer's Report: £4,233.74 in bank. AS still to reclaim approx. £300 for training books for 2018 Beginners' Course and RM will bill for further National hive in next year's budget.
6. Other Meetings – there will be a Suffolk Show 2019 meeting in Nov/Dec

SBKA meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> October

- Asian Hornets: at moment NBU tackle individual nests when found but this is unsustainable. County sending email to all members requesting volunteers for rapid response groups.

## ACTION

David Burn to be invited to March meeting to tell us how we should respond.

- County Treasurer, Paul White, standing down and SBKA struggling to find replacement. Does any committee member know anyone.

7. Committee recruitment – AS had one negative response to his email request for volunteers. 24<sup>th</sup> February booked for AGM at Creting Hall. FO to put letter on website and Facebook. In view of the instability of the Committee, AS offered his resignation as Chairman in favour of RM. It was unanimously agreed to wait until the AGM

FO

8. 2019 Shows:

- KR happy to be show co-ordinator and AP happy to help where he can. Coombs & Battisford show on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2019. ASm happy to organise.
- Wyken going reasonably well – average of 16 jars sold each Saturday. Steve Galpin manning stall this Sunday. AP and KR manning December market.
- AP took Association honey to Lopham Apple Day and sold 20lb

9. Members events:

Beginners Training course starting February. Price remains £55 to include Beekeeping book and an undertaking to endeavour to try and provide a swarm. Some discussion as to whether it should include first year membership, but it was decided this was not appropriate

### Winter Season Calendar –

18<sup>th</sup> October – Pests & Diseases – 15 attendees

15<sup>th</sup> November

13<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Quiz

24<sup>th</sup> January

24<sup>th</sup> February

Suggestions – Queen rearing/Shook swarms/Cosmetics/Bee products/mead production/Asian hornets/~~Bee officer – chance to meet David Burns~~ – Evenings to include 10 minute talks

10. Membership

- 2019 fee to stay the same at £26
- 31<sup>st</sup> December renewal email with link to application form tab. Also Christmas cards to be written with link. RC to try and print off address labels. AS has cards, ASm to produce comps slip and RM and AP to stuff envelopes. Christmas cards to 2018 and 2019 course participants and to life members – John Innesley, Roger Hayward, John Izzard send cards.
- A lot of discussion re GDPR – ML apologised for repeating mistake of displaying all email addresses. RC and ASm to look into how to deal with a breach and what we should say on membership form.

AS/ASm/RM/TP

RC

**ACTION**

11. EARS Research Programme – all agreed to promise £120

12. School groups – gone nowhere

13. AOB

- a. AS to send ML insurance policy to file on google drive
- b. RC to print 6 more name badges. ML to confirm she has one
- c. New honey label on order
- d. Christmas party will be on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at Red Gables, Angela will cater for 30@ £5 per head. TP to do wine

AS  
RC/ML

14. Date of Next Meeting – 17<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at Tony Payne's