

Hi

We realised that the quarterly newsletter does not come out often enough to timely publicise all events, so have decided to augment it with a monthly events bulletin. This is the first, covering September/October and as you can see, there's quite a lot coming up!

If you have any events that you think are appropriate for the bulletin please get in touch & I'll add them for circulation.

## September 2018

### 5<sup>th</sup> September: I&ESBKA - First Winter Meeting

We will start with a sale of surplus equipment – please bring along anything you wish to sell marked with the price you want or “offers” if you’re happy to negotiate. Cash only so remember to bring some along for those impulse purchases!

We will then have a short discussion of monitoring for Asian Hornets, dealing with wasps (seems to be a lot about this year), feeding for winter and Varroa control followed by a general Q&A session.

We will close as usual with tea & coffee.

As all winter I&ESBKA meetings this is held at the Scout Hall, Twelve Acre Approach, Kesgrave, Ipswich IP5 1JF

### 6<sup>th</sup> September: SBKA - Module 3 – Pests & Diseases study group

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### 8<sup>th</sup> ~ 9<sup>th</sup> September: West Suffolk BKA Honey Show

To be held at Pakenham Water Mill, Pakenham Nr Bury St Edmunds, IP31 2NB

Competition on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September. Honey Judge: Fiona Dickson. Confectionary Judge: Andrew Pettigrew.

Please contact Sylvia Pettitt ( <<mailto:sylviapettitt@live.co.uk>> [sylviapettitt@live.co.uk](mailto:sylviapettitt@live.co.uk)) to enter the show – entry forms in by 31<sup>st</sup> August – you just have time!

### 6<sup>th</sup> ~ 7<sup>th</sup> ~ 8<sup>th</sup> ~ 9<sup>th</sup> September: BIBBA Conference

The conference will be open to all beekeepers, whether BIBBA members or not. Everyone is welcome. There will be an exciting programme over three days, with various options so you can attend all three days or single days if you wish. For those with some distance to travel there will be the opportunity to arrive on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September, with an evening lecture. The organisers

want the conference to be a celebration of beekeeping at its best, See <<https://bibba.com/event/bibba-conference-2018/>> <https://bibba.com/event/bibba-conference-2018/> for more information & booking

🐝 8<sup>th</sup> September: I&ESBKA Open day for new beekeepers

Held at the Teaching Apiary at Wherstead this is an opportunity for anyone interested in bees and beekeeping, adults and children, to take a look inside a beehive. We will lend bee suits and gloves and then we will open a beehive for small groups, explaining what is going on in the hive and giving them a chance to handle the bees if they want to - they can get involved as much or as little as they wish. If all goes to plan there might be tea and cake too! To book email names and numbers to <<mailto:secretary.iesbka@suffolkbeekeepers.co.uk>> [secretary.iesbka@suffolkbeekeepers.co.uk](mailto:secretary.iesbka@suffolkbeekeepers.co.uk) from whom further details will be available.

🐝 11<sup>th</sup> September: I&ESBKA Bee Study Group (suitable for beginners)

Barrie Powell's evening bee study group reconvenes on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 7:30pm at Bristol House, Shotley Gate IP9 1PJ and continues on the second Tuesday of the following months. To book a place, contact Barrie 07857 656382 or [beepowell.powell@gmail.com](mailto:beepowell.powell@gmail.com)

🐝 14<sup>th</sup> September: SBKA Microscopy group

See 7<sup>th</sup> September event for details.

🐝 19<sup>th</sup> September: I&ESBKA Kirton Study Group

Chris & Marian Stephens & Gillian Leung will be running their evening study group at Kirton Sports Pavilion, Back Road, Kirton IP10 0QQ starting at at 7.30pm on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September and thereafter the third Wednesday of every month. On 17<sup>th</sup> October our group will join the I&ESBKA Harvest Supper instead of meeting at Kirton. For more information or to secure a place, contact Chris Stephens [chris.stephens@btinternet.com](mailto:chris.stephens@btinternet.com) or phone 01394 286400

🐝 20<sup>th</sup> September: SBKA Module 3 – Pests & Diseases study group

See 6<sup>th</sup> September event for details.

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## October 2018

🐝 1<sup>st</sup> October: I&ESBKA Module 2 – Honey bee products & forage

Every beekeeper has honey and wax to process so could learn from studying the BBKA's Module 2: Honey bee products and forage - unless, of course, you already know it all and are regularly winning 1st prizes at the Suffolk Show. If you aren't quite there yet, whether you intend to take the Module or definitely won't, Jeremy Quinlan offers an evening study group starting at 7:30 pm on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October; this will continue on the first Monday of the following months. To book a place, contact him on 01473 737700 or <<mailto:JeremyQ@tiscali.co.uk>> [JeremyQ@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:JeremyQ@tiscali.co.uk)

🐝 3<sup>rd</sup> October: I&ESBKA Winter Meeting - How bee footsteps leave traces

Jonathan Patrick is in the final year of a PhD in pollinator-plant interactions at the University of Cambridge, working with Professor Beverley Glover and Dr Walter Federle. Specifically, he is interested in the physical interactions between bees and the flowers they are visiting, investigating what attachment devices the bees use, how these vary between species and how plants may help or hinder the interaction. More generally, he is fascinated by the ecology and behaviour of social insects and particularly enjoys getting out into the field to see these for himself. Previously, he completed undergraduate and master's degrees in zoology at the University of St Andrews

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> October: I&ESBKA Bee Woodwork Classes

Bee Woodwork Classes with Jeremy Lain at his workshop at Lodge Farm, Dennington IP13 8AR. Jeremy intends making himself pitched hive roofs but any bee woodwork project may be possible. Classes will run from Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October and will continue every week until projects are complete. He says: "Classes can run during the daytime for those who do not enjoy gainful employ. Those who are restricted to evening enjoyment, classes will start as early as people can make it - remember that I have a home to which to return, preferably at a time that is not too antisocial! I will try to accommodate reasonable requests. Like projects will be grouped together. Costs will be cost of materials only. No previous manufacturing experience required, just a positive attitude....."

If you want to take up this offer, book now! The offer is only open until 15<sup>th</sup> September. There are only a few places. Book with Jeremy at 07982 392579 or <mailto:mail@treeincarnated.co.uk> mail@treeincarnated.co.uk.

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Hawstead Village hall, speaker to be confirmed.

#### 12<sup>th</sup> October: SBKA Microscopy group

See 5<sup>th</sup> October event for details

 17<sup>th</sup> October: I&ESBKA Harvest Supper

 Mains

Hunter's chicken with red wine, bacon, mushrooms, tomato and fresh herb sauce Slow cooked pork with prune and cream sauce or Vegetable moussaka. Served with: roasted beetroot, butternut squash and mustardy mashed potatoes

 Dessert


Apple, peach and ginger pudding with a sweet crispy topping, served with crème fraîche or custard

 Tea, Coffee or Infusion

Whatever your tippie bring your own, glasses can be provided.

Pre book by the end of September here: [williams\\_samuel01@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:williams_samuel01@yahoo.co.uk) 07887 405731" target="\_blank"><http://www.suffolkbeekeepers.co.uk/hs2018.php> or contact Sam Williams: [williams\\_samuel01@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:williams_samuel01@yahoo.co.uk) 07887 405731

£15 per person

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 26<sup>th</sup> October: SBKA Microscopy group

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 25<sup>th</sup> ~ 26<sup>th</sup> ~ 27<sup>th</sup> October: National Honey Show

Promoting the highest quality honey and wax products with international classes, lecture convention, workshops and beekeeping equipment trade show. Visit < <https://honeyshow.co.uk>> <https://honeyshow.co.uk> for more details.