

TWICKENHAM & THAMES VALLEY BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION
Minutes of the 672st Meeting held on Wednesday 20th March 2019 at 7.30pm
Miller Hall, 41, Whitton Road, Twickenham.

Minutes

Present: Patrick Brennan, Ted Charley, Candida Williamson, Michael Foster, Jenny Band, Warwick Francis, Irek Gajowniczek, Jean Loveland, Alex Lawrence

Apologies Harvey, Ray Christine and Sarah

Last Minutes: 6 d) Treasurer update: Warwick and Harvey or Jenny's needs either not all
Proposed Warwick 2nd by Jen All in favour.

Matters Arising:

Film - Jen has been talking to Alice and produced an ideas draft. Please look at it and give feedback by 27th March.

1/3 of your plate relies on pollinators.

Alice has given us next steps : images; written brief; she will write a script; key frames for the story board; film at the apiary. Needs H&S doc

Usual payment structure is 50% on commission and 50% upon completion. We will have copyright. Ask her for a 'loose' budget once we have prepared our brief.

Cost £5k - she said approx £1500 per 2minutes. Discussion of what we want to do with the film. We wish it to be worthwhile and lasting. Aim is to show us and what we do off.

Agreed £5k; Proposed by Jenny - Seconded by Candida

Correspondence: Epping Forest Asian hornet

Should we be sending Apimondia. Not able to send on so suggest members sign up independently. Same with Bees for Development

Twickenham School - responded and heard nothing. Apiary would be happy to give a talk. Look at drafting a bit about bees for schools for website. FAQ section too.

AGM

Teak bench - 2 responses. Committee to respond to PJB

Agreed new energy supplier

£1000 from Crown for Mole received

Marketing stuff - agreed to discard

New today : Apiary visit - adult group. Discussion and felt with notice to Tuesday team we could accommodate.

Twickenham museum – we offered to put up a stand at the but we are unable to support.

Exchange Theatre: WF said it would cost approx £700 to host based on free entry. Ted proposed: Alex seconded. All agreed

Books £320. Committed : Proposed by PJB and seconded by Candy.

Membership: Current 115 reg 13 P 1 Jnr; 1 country

2 new members from the course. Kristy Moran and Laure Thevenon. She was on the winter course and also gave a £454 donation. Only 8-9 from the winter course have become members. Some want to try mentoring rather than come to summer practical. All passed the exam

Treasurer: Accounts : No.1 £78,612.72 No.2 £5669. Also WF to include Ted to authorise payments. Re Candy's card. SumUp said was not accepting and appears to be a terminal issue. On day 1 we took as much as Day 2 last year. £698 gross.

Income £6954 gift aid £657. Reserved income for BDI and BKKA which will come out from the funds later this month.

Only a few members have lapsed or not paid. Often they pay at AGM.

Twickenham: Electric - EDF one more payment. Then both sites moving to British Gas. We have been overpaying at Mole.

Looking healthy again thanks to the donation.

We can save money on water too. Saving is on costs of the management. Cost is approx.. £88 over 2 sites.

Billing is due to retail costs. Warwick to investigate.

Elmbridge sent over the bill £29.91 & LBRuT's bill £499.60. Should we set up a dd for LBRuT?

M/ship questionnaire - ongoing. Will mention at the AGM. What is it hoping to ascertain in Centenary Year..

Centenary Plans

Bees in the Garden : 49 sold already.

Simon Sylvester was looking for help with his allotment as looking.

E.Taster sessions - there is a demand. Jenny put up a list and has 5 volunteers list. See how we get on with those wishing to become trainers.

F.Interpretation boards - working on

G.Honours' board. 1 has arrived and looks good. Clare working on the other boards. Needs to buy light to show them off. Discussion on hall lighting too.

Health & Safety: Jenny has just finished and will send on.

Committee thanked Jenny for all the hard work

AHAT - nothing to report

You can register your AHAT membership of BBKA website. Let Ray know.

AOB

AGM preparation : Accounts have been signed by Neil and Patrick. Warwick would like to go online.

Committee Accepted and agreed to go forward to AGM

AGM : amendment. One name correction Jenny BRAND = Brand.

Chris Berry - is he going to be Auditor next year? Usually we ask every Oct/Nov for the next year's account.

A) In response, WF stated for purposes of the charity commission only relevant if being sold. Audited accounts noted on Pg.8

B) Alex : £340 for 3 panels (not sure about VAT) 1.2mm thick. Showed the designs. PJB spoke to Paul to say we agreed his cost, but want breakdown. Also folding table - asked about weight bearing load. Still waiting response.

C) Attendance – the book is up and running

D) Skip at Mole : not sure if still in-situ. PJB will take some stuff over the weekend from Twickenham

E) No to builders

F) BBKA are looking at T&TVBKA Apiary as we are 'doing' stuff with children and educating in them. Very keen and hopefully arrange something for June-ish. Is it possible to have a display board for 'Bees in the Garden'. Candy and Sonia will be getting together for discussion of website education section. BBKA looking to do an children's education at Stoneleigh in the future.

Next Meeting : 1st night of new committee is 3/4. Apologies from Jenny Brand for that meeting

Meeting closed at 21.17