



January 2018

Last month

2018 Membership Form

2018 membership renewals were due by 31 December. If you have not already done so, please return your membership form to Grant if you wish to continue being a branch member. The next edition of OTC will only be sent out to those on the new 2018 membership list.

This month

Oxalic Acid Demo: 12.00 noon on Saturday 6th at Branch Apiary, Old School Farm, Dartington, Totnes, TQ9 6EB.

South Devon Beekeepers Honey Show: 7.30pm – 9.50-pm on Tuesday, 9 January at St Paul's Church, Preston, Paignton, TQ3 2DH (Corner of Torquay Road and Locarno Avenue Preston, Paignton). See attached schedule for competition details.

Beeswax Candles & Glass Moulds: 7.00pm on Tuesday 16 January 2018 at South Brent Village Hall, Station Approach, South Brent TQ10 9AQ. Will Steynor will give a practical demonstration on making beeswax candles, with an emphasis on using glass moulds. There's no charge, but a small donation (eg 50p) towards the cost of refreshments is always appreciated.

Beekeeping Beginners Course: 7.00pm on Thursday 18 January at St Luke's Church, Plymouth Road, Buckfastleigh TQ11 0DA.

Asian Hornet Open Meeting: 2.00pm - 5.00pm on Saturday 20th January, 2018 at Harberton Parish Hall, Harberton, Totnes, TQ9 7SD. See attached flyer for details.

Coming Up

Holsworthy Spring Convention: 10.00am – 4.30pm on Saturday 24 February at Memorial Hall, Holsworthy, EX22 6DJ.

Beekeepers' Annual Dinner: 7.30pm on Saturday 24 February at Wrangaton Golf Club,

Wrangaton, South Brent, TQ10 9HJ. Menu will be circulated nearer the time.

Devon Beekeepers' Association AGM: 10.15am on Saturday 3 March at the Bridge Suite, ISCA Centre, Summer Lane, Whipton, Exeter, EX4 8NT.

Notices

BBKA List of Speakers

The BBKA has received several enquiries asking for speakers on alternative topics, such as cosmetics, mead making and medicines. If you would like to be added to the BBKA list of speakers please contact Claire Harty at Claire.harty@bbka.org.uk

Community Beekeeping at Buckfast Abbey

Buckfast Abbey will be continuing their beekeeping workshops, starting in March 2018. We will provide details of the events nearer the time. Full details can be found on the website www.buckfast.org.uk However, if you would have any questions then, please contact Clare Densley direct on cdensley@buckfast.org.uk or Mob: 07944 504283.

Branch Committee

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Other members of the Committee: Annie Hill, John Hart, Lilah Killock, Joe Mc Guckin, Kevin Gillard

Branch Website

<http://beekeepingsouthdevon.uk/>

<http://www.totnesandkingsbridgebeekeepers.com/>

Need help? Ken Basterfield holds the highest UK bee-keeping qualification, the National Diploma in Beekeeping, and if you feel in need of some instant advice, you can telephone him on 01404 815885. Two of our most experienced beekeepers, John Harler in Buckfast (01364 642517) and Jeremy Wells in South Brent (01364 72180), are happy to be contacted at short notice by any member needing practical help and/or advice.



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