

# *North Shropshire Beekeepers' Association*

## **Welcome Pack for New Members (2019-2020)**

Welcome to the North Shropshire Beekeepers' Association (NSBKA) which was founded on Friday 23 August 1945 and is, since our inception, a fully affiliated member of the British Beekeepers' Association (BBKA). We have members spread far and wide but predominantly across the northern part of the County.

The aims of the Association are to encourage and develop the art and science of bee keeping through group meetings, practical out apiary events and educational support programs in which members can participate and contribute.

Throughout the winter months (September– March), evening meetings are held where the very best speakers on bee keeping and associated activities are invited to share their specialist skills and knowledge at our monthly meeting, usually held at a local village hall. During the spring and summer months we gather at our Association apiary to perform general hive management tasks, observe and practice bee handling techniques and share our latest bee keeping tales in order that we can all improve our understanding of bees, their behaviour and maximize our efficacy in their on-going health and performance.

We try to run the Association with minimal formality and the only recorded event is our AGM in October of each year. We have a central committee of three (Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer) re-elected annually with a tenure of no more than four consecutive years. The officers of the committee are supported by a number of additional committee roles. These positions are currently held by:

Chairman	Alison Hine
Vice Chairman	Pete Rawlinson
Treasurer	Ann Moore
General Secretary	Angie Kirk
Apiary Manager	Sarah Hodnett
Apiary Assistant Manager	Brian Roberts
Apiary Advisor	
Education Officer	Alison Hine
Events Coordinator	Ann Johnson/Janet Wakefield
Librarian/Publicist	Ann Moore
Membership Secretary	Alison Mackenzie
Newsletter Editor	Joyce Nisbet
Newsletter Assistant Editors	Steph Fielding
Webmaster	Guy Preece
BBKA Delegate	Alison Hine

Finally, on behalf of the Committee and the membership we welcome you to bee keeping and hope you find it as fascinating, compulsive and rewarding as the rest of us.

Please feel free to come along to a couple of meetings to get to know us and to see if you like bees before you join up. We have spare bee-suits for you to borrow at our meetings.

*Alison Hine*  
*Chairman, North Shropshire BKA*

## Membership of NSBKA

We have both beekeeping members and non-beekeeping members and our form is divided into 5 sections to help you find the correct membership category for you.

All beekeeping members must be BBKA members and have BDI (Bee Disease Insurance) either through our association or another association affiliated to the BBKA.

### **BBKA**

Being a member of BBKA will give you access to the members area of the BBKA website where you can find information on bees and beekeeping, bee pests and diseases, beekeeping assessment's and module exams. All BBKA members receive insurance that covers your bee keeping activities for public and product liability up to the value of £10,000,000. You will receive a copy of BBKA News and a membership card that entitles you to discounts with a number of suppliers.

### **BDI**

BDI is covered for up to 3 colonies under our Registered membership. It offers compensation for beekeepers whose colonies are destroyed by Bee Inspectors due to notifiable foul brood disease. However, it is important that you take out further cover if you have more or plan to have more than 3 colonies. If you are under insured, your policy will be invalidated, and you will not receive compensation should you be in the unfortunate position of losing your colonies to foul brood.

## Membership type

**Registered Member** - beekeeping member, covers the majority of members and provides BBKA membership, minimum BDI and the NSBKA newsletter.

**Partner Member** – as the name suggests lives at the same address as the registered member.

**Country Member** -non-beekeepers who nonetheless wish to support the BBKA, receives a copy of BBKA news and NSBKA newsletter, no insurance.

**Junior Member** -under 18, no insurance but receive BBKA news and NSBKA newsletter. Under 16's must be accompanied to the association apiary by an adult.

**Affiliated Member** – this covers beekeepers that keep their bees under the auspices of another beekeeping association and pay for BBKA and BDI via that association, or for those who are interested in the craft of beekeeping but do not keep bees. Will receive a monthly copy of the NSBKA newsletter.

### **Bee Craft magazine.**

Available through NSBKA with a reduced subscription, although this is an optional extra, we recommend that members, especially those new to beekeeping, take out this subscription. The cost on the form is the yearly subscription, for those joining after October please check the box on the last page for pro-rata rates.

## NORTH SHROPSHIRE BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION

### Membership form 2019-20

**Title..... Full name.....**

**Address.....**

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**Postcode.....**

**Telephone.....Mobile.....**

**E-mail.....**

<b>REGISTERED MEMBER</b> Keeps bees. Includes NSBKA and BBKA membership. With 3 <sup>rd</sup> party public liability insurance and product liability insurance claims up to £10m and Bee Disease insurance* for up to 3 colonies. A monthly copy of BBKA News and the NSBKA newsletter.	£36.00	£.....
<b>PARTNER MEMBER</b> Must reside at the same address as registered member. Shares the management of the bees and their products. Same benefits as registered but no separate mailings. Name of registered member.....	£27.50	£.....
<b>COUNTRY MEMBER</b> Non-beekeeping member who wishes to support the BBKA. Receives BBKA News and NSBKA newsletter. No public liability or Bee Disease Insurance.	£24.50	£.....
<b>JUNIOR MEMBER Under 18.</b> No public liability or Bee Disease insurance. Monthly copy of BBKA News and NSBKA newsletter. Under 16 years must be accompanied by adult to apiary.	£9.50	£.....
<b>AFFILIATED MEMBER</b> 1. Keeps bees under the auspices of another association and pays for BBKA and BDI through that association. A monthly copy of the NSBKA newsletter. <b>OR</b> 2. Interested in bees and beekeeping but doesn't have bees, not members of BBKA and no BDI. A monthly copy of the NSBKA newsletter.	£15.00	£.....
<b>*ADDITIONAL BDI</b> All colonies must be covered so as not to invalidate your cover. Please see below for prices	Number of hives.....	£.....
<b>BEE CRAFT MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTION</b>	<b>Hard copy and Digital</b> <b>Digital only</b>	£.....
	See below *	
<b>DONATION</b>		£.....
<b>TOTAL</b>		£.....

#### ADDITIONAL BDI COSTS

4-5 hives	6-10 hives	11-15 hives	16-20 hives	21-25 hives	26 hives plus
£2.00	£5.25	£7.75	£9.50	£11.20	Ask

Are you agreeable to receiving your NSBKA newsletter by email?	Yes/No*
We occasionally use photographs of our members on our website and in our literature, are you agreeable to us using pictures that have you in them?	Yes/No*
We share your details with BBKA, BDI and the Regional Bee Inspector if you are a beekeeping member. We will share your details with Bee Craft Magazine if you subscribe to it. We share your details with the committee members who are responsible for newsletters, education and events. Please confirm that you agree to your details being used this way.	Yes/No*
As an association we promote good bee keeping practices and encourage our members to be well informed. We ask all beekeeping members to register on BeeBase so that they can be informed of any notifiable pest or diseases in your area. Please tick to confirm that you agree to register on BeeBase and that you will confirm your BeeBase number with us when you receive it.	Please tick

**\* please delete as applicable**

**For details of our GDPR statement please visit our website [www.nsbka.org](http://www.nsbka.org)**

Please sign and date here.....

**Payment methods**

Choose one of the payment methods below and either post pages 3 and 4 with your cheque or pay by BACS and email to me at [membership@nsbka.org](mailto:membership@nsbka.org)

<b>Pay directly into Barclays Bank</b>  <b>Sort Code: 20 77 85</b> <b>Account: 60277185</b> <b>Reference: 'Membership'</b>	<b>CHEQUE should be made payable to NSBKA and returned with this form to:</b> <b>Alison Mackenzie.</b> <b>Holding 77,</b> <b>Marion, Baschurch,</b> <b>Shropshire. SY4 2BU</b>
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**Happy Beekeeping**

## BEE CRAFT PRO-RATA COSTS 2020

First issue	Date notify by	Paper copy plus free digital	Digital only, includes VAT
February	30 <sup>th</sup> December	£27.27	£18.10
March	30 <sup>th</sup> January	£24.79	£16.46
April	28 <sup>th</sup> February	£22.31	£14.81
May	30 <sup>th</sup> March	£19.83	£13.18
June	30 <sup>th</sup> April	£17.35	£11.52
July	30 <sup>th</sup> May	£14.87	£9.88
August	30 <sup>th</sup> June	£12.40	£8.23
September	30 <sup>th</sup> July	£9.92	£6.58
October	30 <sup>th</sup> August	£7.44	£4.94
November	30 <sup>th</sup> September	£4.96	£3.29
December	30 <sup>th</sup> October	£2.48	£1.66