

Cumbria Beekeepers Association Executive Meeting Southey Street Methodist Rooms 2.00pm 17th Oct 2015

1) Attendance:-

Walter McPhee	Chairman	- Carlisle
Ian Gregory	- Vice Chairman	-Cockermouth
Mike Fitzgerald	- Secretary	-Cockermouth
Martin Gerrish	-	-Cockermouth
Richard Backhouse	-	-Penrith
Dennis Chambers	-	-Penrith
Val Sullivan	President	-Whitehaven
John Harris		- Cockermouth
Steve Barnes		-Keswick
Richard Robinson		-Whitehaven
Melanie Vincent		- Cockermouth
Nick Mills		-Carlisle

2) **Apologies:-** Peter Matthews , Christine Matthews, Stewart Beattie ,, Peter Weatherall

3) **Minutes of previous meeting:-** Minutes accepted and signed.

4) Cumbria BKA – Honey Show 7th Nov 2015

Alternative Honey Show judge found. **Action Complete**

Steward for Show:- Ian Gregory and Melanie Vincent

Tickets have been distributed to each Local Assoc.(10off each to Local Association Secretaries. Also 5off to each Sedgeburgh, Furness, Lancaster, and Kendal **Action Complete**

Cost of Entry:- £10 in advance; £12 at the door.

Issue consolidated flyers to Local Associations **Action Complete**

Food for the day. Val would be part of this, but more help was needed. Mari

Messenger **Action Complete** Note:- Target 40off attendees for food

Trophies for the day- **Action** S Barnes to gather

Projector:- Do speakers have the necessary projector equipment to present **Action** S Barnes confirms availability.

Endeavour to have an article placed within Cumbria Life Magazine about the Honey Show. - Support given to take forward **Action** M Gerrish

Place advert in Keswick Reminder about the Honey Show. **Action** M Gerrish

Ongoing for £15-95 +vat

Budget for show £650.

5) BBKA Exec Nomination.

Previous meeting note feedback:- Margaret Wilson of Lancashire BKA is being proposed as an BBKA Exec Member as advised by S Barnes. The meeting was stuck in that it did not have the detail of a CV for Margaret. After discussion it was agreed that Walter McPhee would forward nominating paperwork on behalf of Margaret. That Peter Matthews would forward CV details to Exec Members. Any note of opposition for nominee should be sent to Walter who would make a final decision on our behalves. Since the last meeting the above actions were taken and the nomination of Margaret Wilson by Cumbria confirmed. **Actions Complete**

6) Exec Committee Membership

Minor updates made to the Cumbria BKA Exec Council Listing. **Action Complete**
Updated listing to be put on Website. **Action R Robinson**

7) Bee Inspector Status for the County.

It was agreed at the previous meeting that W McPhee would write to the Inspection Authorities and ask when the role of Seasonal Bee Inspector for Cumbria would be advertised **Action W McPhee**. Ongoing

8) Cumbria BKA Equipment List

The equipment list was discussed and developed. Update list and compare to list held by Christine Matthews. **Action M Fitzgerald**

9) New Honey Regulations

Summary of changes would be useful to report in the Cumbria Bee Times **Action Complete**

10) Lobby for New Membership Secretary

Walter to discuss the matter with S Beattie and confirm willingness to take on the role. Meeting supported Stewart Beattie in this new role

11) AOB

Vote of support was given to Steve Barnes as a future potential BBKA Trustee

Methodist Church requested donation to decorate a Christmas Tree in the church. Approved up to the value of £50. **Action S Barnes**

It was agreed that the Cumbria would support the collection of honey samples from around the county for a research project of Aberystwyth University. The 25gramme sample bottles will be distributed in spring for a summer collection. **Action Steve Barnes** to co-ordinate

Our Web Administrator, Richard Robinson, receives correspondence via the website and passes it onto the local Association Secretary. He wishes to receive feed back that we have received his correspondence and acted on it. **Action Local Association Secretaries**

The 2016 AGM is currently scheduled for 26th March 2016 which is to close to Easter. Needs to be rescheduled earlier in March 2016 **Action M Fitzgerald**

12) Next Exec Meeting – Saturday 28th November 2015 at Southey Street Methodist Rooms 2.00pm

Agenda Items Identified.

Propositions Review of BBKA Conference-

Meeting closed at 3.30pm