

Minutes

Cumbria Beekeepers Association Executive Committee Meeting Keswick Quaker Meeting House, Elliot Park, Keswick CA12 4BG 2.00 – 4.00pm on Sat 2nd Feb 2019

Item	Details	Action
1	<p><u>Attendance</u> Stephen Barnes Sara Barnes Ian Gregory Melanie Vincent</p>	<p>Val Sullivan Richard Robinson Peter Weatherill and guest Margaret Wilson, Chair BBKA</p>
2	<p><u>Apologies received</u> Walter McPhee Stewart Beattie Nick Mills Grahame Pinches</p>	<p>Rebecca Ivinson Christine Matthews Margaret Riches Richard Backhouse Debbie Keighley</p>
3	<p><u>Minutes of previous Meeting</u> Minutes were signed as a true record by Ian Gregory. (proposed by Peter Weatherill and seconded by Stephen Barnes)</p>	
4	<p><u>Matters arising</u> Item 7 – CBT Val Sullivan updated us on the 'lost' folders of the old CBT copies. She has finally received a reply from Nathan Woodhead stating that he thought any other documents had been to us a long time ago. He was going to investigate and get back to Val the next day. (This should have been 22nd Jan but sadly at the time of this meeting Val has not had any further news from him.) Many thanks were expressed to Ian Gregory for taking on CBT, he responded by saying he appreciated people sending in contributions but would welcome more items and pictures (especially pictures for the header.)</p>	<p>Val passed on copy of recent emails</p> <p>Exec Sec will try to contact NW again</p> <p>Stephen B to send pictures to Ian G</p>
5	<p><u>BBKA ADM Report – Melanie Vincent</u> Melanie gave an interesting account of the ADM saying that the pack given to delegates was very useful and well presented. She shared the leaflets with those present and Richard Robinson agreed to scan the leaflets etc and upload onto the CBKA website for all members to access. BBKA Spring Convention 2019 – booking now available. IMYB Slovenia – closing date for this is 10th March Bee Craft is not free – it is produced by Kent Association Melanie was pleased to report that Cumbria's proposition regarding using recyclable material for the BBKA magazine was comprehensively passed. Our guest Margaret Wilson (BBKA Chair) added that the stock of plastic will be used up to avoid waste but it will then be replaced by compostable potato starch wrapping. Melanie went through the individual propositions – the full minutes will be available for all to see on the BBKA website once they have been ratified.</p>	<p>Richard R</p>
6	<p><u>Organisation for CBKA AGM – Sat 2nd March 2019</u> Braithwaite Institute if possible. 2-5pm, AGM first, short tea break then speaker – threat of Asian Hornet (Anne Rowberry if possible)</p>	
7	<p><u>GDPR</u> This item will be discussed at the AGM regarding whether any changes need to be made to the CBKA constitution.</p>	

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8	<p><u>New membership registration – eReturn2 – update – Peter Weatherill.</u> Peter explained that this is still a work in progress with associations at various stages along the route to full use. Cockermouth – using whole system. Penrith – part way there Carlisle – Walter to check on progress Whitehaven – Piers to sort out as already on BDI Keswick – to arrange meeting (Peter agreed to meet with Stephen Barnes to start the process for Keswick) ? regarding who do associations send the capitation to? Guest Margaret W explained that it is the Branches who collect the money and then pay Cumbria, who will then receive an invoice from the BBKA and Cumbria will pay the BBKA. Many thanks were extended to Peter for all the hard work he has put into this by training himself up first and then visiting other associations to help them get set up if asked.</p>	
9	<p><u>Exam Secretary position still vacant</u> Any offers?</p>	
10	<p><u>Asian Hornet</u> Traps should be put into apiaries this Spring. See info. on BBKA website.</p>	<p>Stephen B to contact Anne Rowberry re possible talk about this at AGM</p>
11	<p><u>Use of Rose Bowl trophy</u> It was agreed that the trophy would be given to the person with the most points from all classes entered in the Honey Show. Margaret W – suggested contacting Thornes and/or Brunel? for vouchers as prizes.</p>	
12	<p><u>Cumbria Post/News & Star</u> It was suggested that we gain some free advertising by writing an article about Cumbrian beekeeping to be put into Cumbrian newspapers. It could include upcoming events like the AGM and the historical nature of the association.</p>	<p>Val S very kindly had her arm twisted to write an article and send to Stephen B.</p>
13	<p><u>Email lists to be gathered</u> This should now be taking place as the new system eReturn 2 becomes operational.</p>	
14	<p><u>Cumbria a/c and the use of BACS payments</u> Treasurer asked if all branches could set up BACS payments for subs etc. However after some discussion it appears that banks and building societies vary in their ability to allow this with charity/club accounts especially if two signatories are required.</p>	
15	<p><u>AOB</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Richard Robinson raised the issue that it appears CBKA have not paid for the website for 6 months – Treasurer will sort this out. 	<p>Treasurer</p>
	<p><u>Meeting closed at 4pm.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Date of the AGM on Sat 2nd March 2019 – venue tbc. Date of next Exec meeting Sat 11th May 2019 – venue tbc 	