



## Sevenoaks and Tunbridge Wells Beekeepers Branch Programme 2018



### Tuesday Indoor meetings: 7.30pm at Sevenoaks Weald Memorial Hall. TN14 6PT

- Jan 16<sup>th</sup> Ash Samuelson Bees in the city  
Some of our members have participated in Ash's Citizen science project on considering the stress factors effecting bees in urban areas with those in the city. In her return talk to us she will update us on her continuing research.
- Feb 20<sup>th</sup> Dr Mark Brown Effect of Neonics on Bumble bees  
The effect of neonics on our bees is still disputed by the Companies making the products. Dr Brown will explain his studies and results, that are likely to equate to the same effects on Honey bees
- Mar 20<sup>th</sup> Ian Beavis Solitary Bees  
Following from Nikki Gammage's talk on Bumble bees, Ian, will explain the life history of Solitary bees, and perhaps help us to identify a few of the commoner ones.
- Sept 18<sup>th</sup> Karen Alton Plants for Bees  
Karen was booked last year, so this talk is eagerly awaited, particularly following revelations about plants for pollinators being full of neonics.
- Oct 16<sup>th</sup> Paul Vagg Cooking with Honey  
Following a highly entertaining workshop at the National Honey Show last year Paul has been invited to explain how you can replace the sugar in your recipes with Honey, and the effects that it produces
- Nov 20<sup>th</sup> Social, AGM and Honey Show Prize Giving

### *Apiary Visit*

*19<sup>th</sup> May*

*Richard Rose has kindly offered to host a visit to his apiary at Win Gara, South View Road, Crowborough TN6 1HF*

### *Branch Honey Show.*

*Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September*

*At St Bartholomew's Church Hall*

*High Street, Otford, TN14 5PQ*

*Judge: Enid Brown*

## Branch Apiary Meetings.

Our apiary meetings are social affairs, ideal for new beekeepers wishing to gain further knowledge as well as more experienced beekeepers hoping to learn new techniques in bee husbandry.

All apiary meetings start at 2.00pm, but may be subject to change due to weather. So please check webpage on the day, for any changes.

For directions on how to get to the site, or if the weather is looking unsuitable for beekeeping, contact the person hosting the meeting, before venturing out.

Those dates where there is no initial, we are still looking for volunteers to lead the afternoon.

### Barrwood Apiary dates

Feb 24th 10.30 am General Tidy-Up, make up frames etc.  
 Mar 10<sup>th</sup>                      Mar 24<sup>th</sup> CH  
 April 7<sup>th</sup>                      April 21st CH  
 May 12<sup>th</sup> JF/SR              May 26<sup>th</sup>  
 June 9<sup>th</sup> JF/SR              June 23<sup>rd</sup> CH  
 July 7<sup>th</sup>                      July 21<sup>st</sup>  
 Aug 4<sup>th</sup> JF/SR  
 Sept 1<sup>st</sup>                      Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> CH

### Hilbert Road Apiary dates

17<sup>th</sup> Mar RR  
 14<sup>th</sup> April RR  
 5<sup>th</sup> May  
 2<sup>th</sup> June                      16<sup>th</sup> June  
 14<sup>th</sup> July                      28<sup>th</sup> July  
 11<sup>th</sup> Aug  
 8<sup>th</sup> Sept

**Key:** CH - Cliff Hayward, JF - John Farrow and SR - Sarah Rapley, RR - Richard Rose.

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