

2023 INTRODUCTION TO BEEKEEPING COURSE DATES & SCHEDULE

Pre course questions. By Zoom - To be held online on Tuesday 31st January 2023						
For students there is a huge amount of information and reading material online at National Bee Unit: http://www.nationalbeeunit.com/index.cfm?pageid=167						
ALL THEORY SESSIONS will be held at Rayleigh Methodist Church hall, 78a Eastwood Rd, Rayleigh SS6 7JP						
Arrival 7.00 - 7.30pm, tea & chat		7.30 to 8.15pm		8.15 - 8.45pm	8.45 - 9.30pm	9.30 - 10pm
		Tuesdays	First Half of Evening	Questions & break	Second Half of Evening	Questions & end
Theory	1	14-Mar-23	Introducing BBKA / EBKA & Southend BKA A Short History of Beekeeping		Setting up an Apiary	
Theory	2	21-Mar-23	Questions from previous week Tools & Equipment Overview & Demonstration of hive types		New beekeepers will discuss their experiences during the first year	
Members March Meeting		28-Mar-23	It is recommended all course students attend this meeting.		Subject: Spring Preparation plus Q&A	
Theory	3	18-Apr-23	Questions from previous week The Beekeeping Year - Part 1 Spring and Summer		The Beekeeping Year - Part 2 Autumn, Winter & Early Spring	
Members April Meeting		25-Apr-23	It is recommended all course students attend this meeting.		Speaker: Clive de Bruyn (TBC) Subject: (TBC)	
Theory	4	02-May-23	Questions from previous week Life Cycle, Communication & Basic Anatomy		Swarming impulse, artificial swarms and swarm collection	
Theory	5	09-May-23	Questions from previous week Forage - it's not just about plants		Honey Harvest, Processing and Legalities	
Theory	6	16-May-23	Questions from previous week Honey Bee Pests and Diseases		Frame making https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WnNnT_3uSWc	
Members May Meeting		23-May-23	It is recommended all course students attend this meeting.		Speaker: Peter Aldridge (TBC) Subject: Queen Rearing	
Practical	A	Week commencing 22.5.23	Please note all practical sessions will be held during the day and are dependent on favourable weather conditions. Arranged dates/times are subject to change at very short notice. A bee jacket plus any equipment needed can be provided, if required.			
Practical	B		All dates subject to weather constraints			
Practical	C		All dates subject to weather constraints			
Practical	D		All dates subject to weather constraints			
<p>PLEASE NOTE: This schedule is for information purposes only. 2023 theory session times and dates are now confirmed and cannot be changed. Subject order to be confirmed</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">SDBKA December 2022</p>						