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Hello All,

Phew, what a year weather wise! I'm sure many of you have a story to tell....all that wet. So I'd like to make a suggestion; Why don't you join us at our Summer Social and share your experiences. We really would like you to come along.

The summer Social is a popular event in our calendar and the more that attend the better it is.

In all the years I have attended I've never been disappointed and I'm sure you will feel the same.

Make a note of the date, bring along a dish of food for everyone to shareenjoy!

NSBKA Summer Social 2024



Don't let the weather get you down! It will be warm and sunny on July 20 in time for our 2024 Summer Social!

Melanie Deacon has once again kindly offered to host our summer social and everyone is welcome to come along including partners.

Our Social Secretary Pat Twigg will coordinate your offers of food... please let her know what you are hoping to bring along:

Call 01630 673299

Please note contributing is not a prerequisite for attending... everyone is welcome including your partners.

EVENT

SUMMER SOCIAL

WHEN

SATURDAY

JULY 20TH 2024

12.30 for

1.00pm LUNCH

WHERE

Park House,
Newcastle Road,
Little Madeley,
Crewe,
CW3 9JT

NOTE

PLEASE USE BACK DRIVE (COMING FROM NEWCASTLE) THIS IS THE TURNING ON THE RIGHT AFTER THE WHITE RAILINGS. TURN ONTO AN UNMADE TRACK THAT FOLLOWS ROUND TO THE BACK PADDOCK AND THE PARKING AREA.

WATCH OUT FOR THE NSBKA SIGN WHICH WE WILL PUT OUT TO INDICATE WHERE TO TURN

Discounted honey Jars

Don't miss your chance to purchase your honey jars and lids at a discounted price and no delivery costs. Go to our website to order:

<https://northstaffsbees.org.uk/honey-jar-purchase/>

The last date to place your orders is 5th July so don't delay.



INVERTBEE SYRUP

We would like to gauge what interest there is for the Association to organise a bulk order of discounted 14kg containers of syrup £25.50 and no delivery cost. If you are interested please complete the form on our website:

<https://northstaffsbees.org.uk/syrup/>

note: The form will not commit you to buy.



NORTH STAFFS STAND AT FORD GREEN HALL

Well done to everyone that helped Anthony Hammond to setup a run the stand at Ford Green Hall celebrating 100 years of the Nortonian society and 400 years of Ford Green Hall. There was a lot of interest shown in the observation hive and the bees in general.





BIBBA COURSES

An opportunity to join tutors Roger Patterson and Karl Colyer at some practical teaching sessions which BIBBA is organising in July in St Helens and in Northwich over the weekend of Friday 19th July to Monday July 22nd

Bee Improvement courses

This will be a one-day apiary-based event with online tutorials as part of the preparatory learning. The courses are intended for beekeepers who wish to produce queens in batches of 6 or more, using artificial methods from locally adapted stock. Attendees should be at a reasonable ability level, know the “basics” and be competent handlers of colonies, as this course is predominantly practical.

<http://bee-improvement-one-day-home-study-one-day-practical>

Locally adapted bees in a sustainable apiary: A course for teachers

This is a course for those involved in the teaching of beekeeping at all levels from introductory events up to advanced. The aim is to reduce importations, that an increasing number of beekeepers are concerned about, by promoting the benefits and use of locally adapted honey bees and sustainable ways of propagating them. These may need a slightly different approach and management methods than are commonly

taught.

<http://locally-adapted-bees-in-a-sustainable-apiary>

Click the links for full details; places are limited.



ASIAN HORNET

THE ASIAN HORNET IS A HIGHLY AGGRESSIVE PREDATOR WHICH POSES A SIGNIFICANT THREAT TO HONEY BEES AND OTHER POLLINATORS IN THE UK.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

LEARN HOW TO IDENTIFY ASIAN HORNETS
KNOW HOW TO REPORT ANY SIGHTINGS
SPREAD THE WORD - TELL YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS



- DARK ABDOMEN WITH WIDE ORANGE STRIPE ON 4TH SEGMENT
- YELLOW TIPS TO LEGS
- HEAD BLACK WITH ORANGE FACE
- THORAX BLACK & VELVETY

TAKE A PHOTO IF IT IS SAFE TO DO SO
REPORT VIA THE **ASIAN HORNET WATCH APP**
OR BY EMAIL TO: **ALERTNONNATIVE@CEH.AC.UK**

SEE IT! SNAP IT! SEND IT!

FURTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON THE BBKA WEBSITE





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