Bucks County Secretary's Report
1st October 2022 – 30th September 2023
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We supported the National Honey Show, with sponsorship of a lecture, sponsorship of two classes and paying the prize money for the Bucks County section of the Show.

The County held a very successful face to face seminar on Feb 18th at the John Colet school. The speakers were Isobel Grindrod, Margaret Murdin and Stuart 'The Wildman" Mabutt. This was an in-person meeting and about 70 people attended in person. Next year the venue will revert to the Memorial Hall.
The AGM was held immediately after the meeting.

The advent of videoconferencing has meant that we held all the committee meetings this year by videoconferencing and the county will retain its Zoom subscription for another year as this is a cost effective and efficient way of meeting.

Sean hosted a couple of zoom sessions to explain what is involved in the Honey Bee Health and General Husbandry assessments. This resulted in 8 people passing the Bee Health Assessment this year and we hope that these people will go on to take General Husbandry in 2024.

We attended the Bucks County Show, held on the last Thursday of August again this year, with all four associations playing their part. With the addition of a bee-friendly floral display, the BCBKA won First Prize for **"**the best non-agricultural stand" at the Show.

We supported the Centenary National Honey Show, with sponsorship of a lecture, sponsorship of two classes and paying the prize money for the Bucks County section of the Show. Bucks County retained the Smallholders' Shield for the County with the most points in Classes 15-150.

Fiona Matheson
Secretary, Bucks County Beekeepers Association