North Bucks BKA Report to Bucks County AGM
12th February 2022

Last year continued to be disrupted by the pandemic, however, some activities were able to go ahead albeit some only virtually, these included:

- A Beginners' course (virtual)
- Apiary sessions
- A second condensed Beginners' course
- Group talks for members and some for interested parties including Schools and Childrens' clubs including Brownie groups
- The Bucks County Honey show was hosted in conjunction with the NBBKA Annual Honey show and was held at the Buckingham Garden Centre on Sept 24th. It was well attended, with Hazel Blackburn presiding as Head Judge and the standard of entries deemed very high as always.

Membership:
Despite some degree of turnover membership has increased slightly, to over 100 members at the end of the year. It has been decided to keep membership fees fixed for this year.

Education:
The originally planned Beginners' course was held virtually and was well attended on-line. A second Beginners' course was held over a weekend in August also well attended. This additional course was introduced to reduce the numbers on the waiting list, which had grown significantly due to disruptions caused by Covid.
This years' Beginners' course is being run normally and begins with weekly sessions starting in late February, is expected to be fully attended.
We are also resuming bi-weekly Winter talks, and social events with a rebrand of "Noggin and Natter" as "The Buzz and a Bevy".

Committee:
Nick Hinson stood down as the Chairman after four years' service. As there were no other candidates, the chair will be rotated through the other committee members over the year.
Sue Lang also retired from the committee and will be missed for her long service and hard work especially with regard to the Honey show, Beginners' lectures, work on the newsletter and social events.

The following Committee members were re-elected:

- Daniel Clarke: As Secretary, Membership Secretary and Website Manager
- Terry Lock: As Apiary Manager

The following new members were voted on to the committee:

- Nikki Myers: As Treasurer following the sad death of Ted Kirby
- Rachael Wilson: As Honey Show, lectures and social events organiser
- Ruari Moran and Mick Brown: As general committee members