

ABERYSTWYTH BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION

Some of the benefits of being a member of the Aberystwyth & District Beekeepers Association are:

- Regular meetings throughout the year, some bee-related, others purely social.
- Lectures and demonstrations.
- Advice and assistance for beginners, including practical demonstrations.
- Regular newsletters and information.
- Affiliation to the Welsh Beekeepers Association.
- Use of association honey extractor, electric wax extractor and heather honey press.
- Purchase of invert bee syrup, fondant and varroa treatments.
- Spare bee suits (adult and child) for occasional use.
- Interpretation material for use at evening meetings/education sessions.
- Bookers Card (wholesale food outlet on the Llanbadarn industrial estate). Take your BDI certificate to Bookers to register for this facility. This is useful for buying bulk sugar.
- Insurance for members' beekeeping equipment through Bee Diseases Insurance Limited.

Membership Details

There are two classes of membership:

Full members shall be entitled to the following privileges and benefits upon payment of a yearly subscription:

- To attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting and at Extraordinary General Meetings.
- To attend all meetings and events arranged by the Association for members.
- To receive Association correspondence/updates.
- To receive the WBKA quarterly magazine and other WBKA updates.
- To obtain insurance through the Association with the Bee Diseases Insurance Ltd, Scheme A, against loss of equipment and honey destroyed under the current Foul Brood Diseases Order.

Associate members shall be entitled to the following privileges and benefits upon payment of a yearly subscription:

- To attend all meetings and events arranged by the Association for members
- To receive Association correspondence/updates.
- Associate membership does not include insurance with the Bee Diseases Insurance Ltd (i.e. associate membership is intended for those who wish to be part of ABKA, but do not have bees, or do not wish to insure their bees, or have insurance coverage via another Association).

Contact Details

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MEMBERSHIP FEES

Associate membership costs £8.

Full membership includes ABKA membership (£8); WBKA membership (£9); and BDI insurance, which begins at £2 for up to 3 colonies, and increases depending on the number of colonies that you have.

The full membership cost is:

0 to 3 colonies	£19.00	21 to 25 colonies	£30.10
4 to 5 colonies	£21.00	26 to 30 colonies	£32.60
6 to 10 colonies	£24.25	31 to 35 colonies	£35.10
11 to 15 colonies	£26.75	36 to 40 colonies	£37.10
16 to 20 colonies	£28.50		

Your insurance will be invalid if you have more colonies/nucs than declared.

Don't forget, you may well split colonies and gather swarms during the season, so always take this into account.

If your numbers increase you can update your insurance by paying the extra amount, BUT 40 days notice is required before the change takes effect, so it may be best to insure at the beginning of the year for your anticipated hive maximum.

If you would like more information please contact Ann Ovens or Philip Springham

You will receive your insurance certificate and club notices by email. If you don't have access to email please indicate that on the application form and we will post them or you can collect them at a meeting.

Membership Application Form

To Aberystwyth Beekeeper's Association.

I wish to join the Association as a FULL / ASSOCIATE member

Please find enclosed a cheque as follows:

Total number of colonies

Membership fee £.....

Address:

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Phone: E-mail:

Please make cheques payable to 'Aberystwyth Beekeeper's Association' (or ABKA)
Post to Membership Secretary Philip Springham (see address on previous page).