



Portsmouth Beekeepers' Association Autumn Convention

September 28th 2019 10.00am to 4.30pm

At Trafalgar School London Road Portsmouth PO2 9RJ

Tickets £12.50 in Advance or £14.00 on the Day (Lunch Included)

(Please inform us of special Dietary requirements)

Tickets available from: Wendy Gilbert 07835 517859 wendygilbert48@hotmail.co.uk or from your Association Secretary

Programme of the Day

9.30 - 10.00 - Coffee / Tea on arrival in Dining Room. Registration and Workshop Choices.

10.00 - 10.15 - Welcome by Mike Cotton Chairman of PDBKA in Main Hall

10.15 - 11.00 - Dr. Michael Keith-Lucas - Pollen in Forensic Science

11.05 - 11.50 - Christine Coulsting: Asian Hornet

12.00 - 12.45 Lunch in Dining Hall

Workshops: Session 1 - 1pm - 1.45pm Session 2 - 2pm - 2.45pm (Choose 2, one for each session)

Workshop 1 Led by Celia Rutland - "Marketing of Honey Products"

Workshop 2 Led by David Rutland - "Late Summer Colony Management"

Workshop 3 Led by Cliff McGauhey - "Microscopy"

Workshop 4 Led by Rosy Raines - "1st Responder Anaphylactic Shock"

Workshop 5 Led by Terry Mullarney - "Making Hornet Traps"

Workshop 6 Led by Alan Warren - "Wicor Primary School Bees (Bees at Schools)"

15.00 Coffee / Tea in Dining Room

15.30 Raffle and Closing Address

Speaker Profiles

Dr Michael Keith Lucas Ph.D - Michael, a fellow of the Royal Society of Biology, who has now retired, was formally Senior Tutor in Plant Sciences at the University of Reading. His career was initially centred mainly in looking at pollen on Archaeological sites. He then progressed into Forensic Science. He has had to give evidence in a number of high profiles cases. He recently moved away from the area so handed over his Presidency of Reading & District Gardeners Association.

Christine Coulsting started beekeeping in the Test Valley in 2011. Having taken the Basic Assessment, she started working through the modules one at a time, each one opening a different area of beekeeping interest. So far she holds the BBKA's General Husbandry and Advanced Theory Certificates. Christine is now a BBKA Assessor for the Basic Assessment and a correspondence Course Tutor for the modules.

Christine is chair of Romsey & District Beekeepers, teaches beekeeping and keeps her own apiary in the Test Valley with 17 colonies. It was on cycle tour along the Canal Du Midi that she first came across an Asian Hornets and saw them darting around ivy in late summer.

Being situated near the South Coast, we are very much in the front line of an Asian Hornet Invasion. After two Hampshire AH nests were found last Autumn, Romsey Beekeepers formed an Asian Hornet action team and set work to raise awareness of the Asian Hornet to beekeepers around Hampshire and also the public in our area.

The Asian Hornet is a fascinating creature but one which will challenge both bees and beekeepers in the years to come.

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Where to find us: Trafalgar School, London Road, Portsmouth, PO2 9RJ.

