Dear Member,

I'm trialling a new **Buzz**. Instead of you having to open an attachment/download a pdf and me having to create it etc, I will send a monthly **BUZZMAIL**. Any feedback on this would be appreciated.



SEPTEMBER MEETINGS •

Saturday Sep 2nd Beeshed 2.30pm Preparing for Winter talk with David Chambers. Beginners it's really a must for you.

Saturday Sep 23rd Beeshed Cleaning Equipment day (details nearer the date).

ASIAN HORNET WEEK IS NEARLY UPON US. Hopefully you have registered for the Andrew Durham Zoom sessions on 6th and 7th.

Also we've had an invitation from Plymouth branch to attend a meeting with them.

Take a look at Plymouth branch Facebook page:

<u>https://www.facebook.com/plymouthbeekeepers</u> for details about the presentation from Alan Baxter on Sep 5th.

HONITON SHOW Huge thanks to everyone of you who helped, from set up to stewarding to dismantling. Great effort from all our volunteers. A sad note was the theft of some honey from our competition entries overnight, but otherwise a busy, successful day even with the morning downpours. Congratulations to the branch for winning the branch cup for overall points and to Keith for winning the Uplyme cup for his cookery Lovely to see more of you had entered honey this time and those of you who create in wax - well done. Anyone up for giving a talk on their wax products?

A REQUEST

Does anyone have a *redundant/has been but still working* **large screen TV** they could donate to the branch please? Maybe you are updating/replacing your existing model and recycling your old one. The tele we have used for several years is now damaged beyond repair.

Land For Bees 🏚 🏚

We have had an offer from someone in *Cotleigh* for a beekeeper to put their bees in their orchard on their farm. Anyone interested let me know.

Also a site available on land at Littleham, Exmouth.

Going forward: Meetings at Kilmington Hall will be:

Thursday 5th Oct. 7.30pm The Honeybee Microbiome a talk from Graham Kingham

Thursday 2nd Nov 7.30pm Branch AGM plus talks on *Wiring Foundation* from Baruch Livney and *Swarm Removal from the Fabric of a Building* from Stan Wroe and Mike Jones

Thursday 7th Dec 7.30pm Xmas Social plus talk from Nick Silver about his own beekeeping. (Why?) Doesn't Everyone Do it Like This?

WASPS

Several of us are having good results with the Waspinator gadget. Hard to believe that a grey bag fools wasps into thinking a nest is in the vicinity, making them go elsewhere so as not to intrude on established territory. But they do! (Just Google Waspinator for plenty of info).

If you've got this far, hope you've enjoyed my new look BUZZMAIL. Val

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