

## **BASINGSTOKE & DISTRICT BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION**

## **BEGINNERS BEEKEEPING TRAINING COURSE FOR 2024**

We are pleased to announce the details of our Beginners Beekeeping Course for 2024, for which the theory sessions will take place at Sherborne St. John Village Hall from 12:00 to 16:00 on the following Sundays: 25th February, 3th March, 17th March and 24th March. There are also workshops from 13:00 to 17:00 on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April, covering the practical use of beekeeping equipment, lighting smokers, making frames etc. The topics covered at the practical workshops will be the same for both dates.

The fee for the Beginners Beekeeping Course for 2024 will be £110 this includes local membership of Basingstoke and District Beekeepers Association for 2024.

As a member of B&DBKA you will be invited to practical beekeeping training at the association's apiary, where you will be able to inspect bee colonies under the supervision of an experienced beekeeper. We can provide a Bee Suite and Veil for those students that do not have their own with tea, coffee and cakes provided after the bee related activities.

These monthly apiary meetings are held between April and October, usually on the first Saturday of the month, weather permitting. Full details are on our website. Should a monthly meeting be cancelled or postponed, details will be posted online no later than 12:00 noon on the day of the meeting.



Basingstoke & District BKA recommends "The Haynes Bee Manual" by Claire Waring, as a companion textbook to our Beekeeping Course. We have a few copies available for purchase at £19 per copy or they can be obtained from Amazon or other Book retailers.

Applications will be considered on a first come, first served basis. We will contact you within 7 days of registration and if your application has been successful, you will be asked to pay the course fee in full at this stage by the date shown in the course offer email. Joining the course is contingent on your payment being received by this date.

The number of places on the 2024 Beginners Beekeeping Training Course is limited and will be allocated in order of registration with priority to existing members of Basingstoke Beekeepers Association. If your application isn't successful because the course is full, you will be automatically added to the waiting list, in case any students drop out before the course commences and asked to confirm if you wish to be on the waiting list.

Applications are now invited for our 2024 Beginners Beekeeping Training Course by clicking: Please fill in a separate Application Form for each household member wishing to attend.

Apply Here

If you need any further information about the course, please email education@basingstokebees.co.uk