



Welcome to Gwent Beekeepers CIO

Annual General Meeting

16th November 2023



Education

- Beginner course this year with 27 registered on the course
 - Core group of regulars attending the Tuesday Apiary session
- BBKA Modules – Study groups at the Castle at USK
- Congratulations to Ceri Joyner who has qualified as Master Beekeeper



Apiary

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- Approx 26 Colonies
- All colonies treated for Varroa with ApiLife Var
- All setup for winter with supers under and mouse guards

Engagement: Shows / Events

Events:

- Usk Open Gardens
- Monmouth Bee Festival
- Go Wild @ Pontypool Park
- Llanthony Show
- Usk Show
- Monmouth Show

Promoting Beekeeping and answering questions we have also been informing the public of the threat of the Yellow Legged Hornet and the importance of reporting.



Thank you for the support from



Ottimo digital who have donated a new Event Gazebo and have also helped with the updating of our event signage.



Study Centre

- Taster Sessions (5 sessions – 51 attendees)
- Beginners Course
- Courses
 - Bees for Development - Bee identification day
 - Microscopy course run by Sean Stephenson
- Winter lectures as well as being held online.





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Back to Basics

- Clear Strategy for the future
- In a process of review of Skills to and develop & strengthen knowledge as a charity
- Association for existing members as well as beginners.
- Education: Train the Trainers – Widening support to provide training
- Reliance on the few

..... **GWENT BEEKEEPERS NEEDS YOU!**

The trustees and I would ask you to share your time, expertise and volunteer to help the association.



Membership Report

Total of 245 fully subscribed members (236 -2023)

Breakdown of membership

- 162 Full BBKA membership (219 – 2023)
- 0 Junior (1- 2023)
- 0 School (1- 2023)

Membership has grown through the beginner's course, taster sessions and the bee talks.

The three big shows we did this year has also helped and YLH (Yellow Legged Hornet) awareness has definitely increased.

We would still like to pass the 250 mark.

Renewals were mostly paid online this year. Cheques and cash are still being used.

Election of trustees

To be administered by Gwent Beekeepers President: Dr Nicola Bradbear MBE

Elected Role	Current	Proposed
Chair	Peter Maloney	Peter Maloney
Vice Chair	Vacant (Wendy York acting)	
Secretary	Vacant during maternity leave of Sami White (Dave Barrell acting)	<i>Maternity Cover</i>
Treasurer	Wendy York	Wendy York
IT/Website	Dave Barrell	Dave Barrell
Membership Secretary	Andy Leonard	Andy Leonard
Marketing	Cyrene Dominguez	Cyrene Dominguez
Grounds	Graham Evans	Graham Evans
Building Lead	Vacant - (Dave Barrell acting)	
Beginner's Training - Admin	Eva Lindhe	Eva Lindhe
Trustee	John Holden	John Holden
Trustee	Andrew Tuggey	Andrew Tuggey
Trustee	Mark English	Mark English
Trustee		Viv Laing



Thank you to Miriam!



Gwent Beekeepers CIO						
	Actual (Aug 21)	Actual (Oct 22)	Actual (Sept23)	Current Budget	Current Actual	
	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2023/2024	
Income						
Opening Balance	29367.01	£24,779	£22,137	£29,655	£29,655	Notes
GBK Subscription	£4,170	3463	3,385.00	3,750.00	2,700.00	1
BBKA Subscription	£2,880	5349	4,467.00	5,250.00	2,919.00	
BDI Subscriptions	£840	896	825.35	850.00	606.15	
Magazine Subscriptions	£915	619	554.00	600.00	306.00	
Donations /Fundraising	£5,854	759	948.13	1,000.00	730.40	
Gift Aid			1,596.04	1,500.00	1,148.70	
Courses and Events/ grant income for tasters	£3,740	6293	9,118.00	7,000.00	6,911.00	3
Prior Year	£3,921	255				
Honey sales/Equipment Hire/grant for equipment/works/apiary		1580	2,838.41	11,385.00	11,816.20	4
Miscellaneous		155	12.00	100.00	567.73	
Total Generated Income	£22,320	£19,369	£23,744	£31,435	£27,705	
Expenditure						
BBKA capitation	£3,943	5394	4,565.50	5,250.00	3,370.00	
BDI capitation	£871	924	826.00	850.00	665.40	
Magazine Subscriptions	£661	444	375.82	600.00	0.00	
Apiary costs, products for resale	£14,853	5459	6,184.76	19,068.00	11,729.78	
Building Running Expenses		393	1,218.18	1,500.00	858.26	
Prior Year / Gift Aid Repay		742	15.35			
Insurance	852.62	917	951.53	1,000.00	1,025.10	
Refunds / Overpayments			243.57	250.00	0.00	
Miscellaneous, Square costs	£921	3693	121.88	200.00	229.80	
		0				
Courses / Events	£307	210	590.61	850.00	918.05	
Show expenses/marketing		3		1,000.00		
Grant Project Expenditure MSCT			657.98			2
Build Project from Reserves	£4,584	3712	475.00	2,500.00	0.00	
Total Expenditure	£26,993	£21,891	£16,226	£33,068	£18,796	
Surplus/deficit	-£4,673	-£2,522	£7,518	-£1,633	£8,909	
2024/25 Balance cfwd						
Budgeted balance going into 2023/24	£29,654.75			£38,563.54		
less creditors falling due 2023/24	£1,596.04		plus debtors	707.00		
plus debtors falling due 2023/24	£642.25					
bank balance end 2022/2023	£28,700.96		cash balance	£39,270.54		
Designated Reserves from 2023/24	£1,683					

Designated Reserves new income	£9,885					
Designated Reserves expenditure	£7,310					
Designated Reserves balance f/wd to 2024/25	£4,258					
Notes						
1. target 250 members in budget						
2. reserves £683 designated for equipment from 2022/23						
3. reserves £1000 designated for course fees from 2022/23						
4. incls TNL grant £9885						
RESERVED FUNDS:						
Donor	Donation	Donation for:		actions	Balance	
Western Power	£1,000	Lab equipment		m-scopy equip	0.00	
National Heritage	£9,900	Landscaping and signage		Groundwork (additional stone) costs for tress, patio, carpark, apiary space	0.00	
MSCT	£2,300.00	accessible taster fees (1000) and equipment (1300)		hives purchased	1642.02	
TNL	£9,885.00	observation hut/groundworks		partial works	2615.73	



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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Gwent Beekeepers CIO

On accounts for the year ended

30/09/2024

Charity no
(if any)

1174746

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD/MM/YYYY.

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~other than that disclosed below*~~) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

15/11/24

Name:

Paul Joyner

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

COMPANY DIRECTOR (RETIRED)

(if any):

Address:

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.