



Trustees' Report

Mount Edgcumbe Cornish Bee Group
Registered Charity No. 1177943
1st September 2020 - 31st August 2021

Introduction

The period covered by this third Annual Report to the Charity Commission falls in the middle of the Covid Lockdown. The restrictions imposed during this time severely affected the success of the Mount Edgcumbe Cornish Bee Group in meeting its objectives with respect to community and educational events. However, since managed honey bees are regarded as livestock, conservation and pollination jobs continued to be carried out diligently with the five trustees being regarded as essential workers.

Funds

All the income this year came from donations with the bulk coming from beekeepers who homed colonies raised from our native bee stock. The formal gardens at Mt Edgcumbe House and Country Park were closed to the public but the grounds were still open. Although visitors could not reach the apiary, there were still generous amounts placed in donation boxes around the site.

Since activities were confined to bee husbandry, expenditure was almost exclusively related to apiary equipment, consumables and maintenance. The trustees' focus was on increasing stock so it was decided to invest in purchasing some newly designed BS Honey 2 in 1 nucleus boxes for raising young colonies. These required fewer worker bees to care for virgin queens during the mating process. They proved to be more effective than the usual standard 6-frame nucleus boxes.

At the end of the accounting period, funds had risen from £2,964 to £4,236 which could be used for other projects once Covid restrictions are lifted.

Conservation of the Native Honey Bee

Due to travel restrictions, surplus colonies were only moved relatively short distances from Mt Edgcumbe. This was actually a positive aspect of our conservation programme since it accelerated the spread of Amm (*Apis mellifera mellifera*) genetic material in the vicinity of the Rame peninsula.

By being able to concentrate on the bees and the apiary, the trustees were able to experiment more freely with queen-raising methods and increase skills of grafting live larvae to artificial cups. This should improve the rate of queen-rearing next season.

Summary

The trustees are confident that the best use was made of the funds available and of the limited opportunities for the charity to develop during this reporting year. It is with renewed optimism that they approach the next stage and plan for future community and educational projects.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 1-Sep-20	To	Period end date 31-Aug-21
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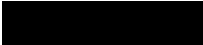
Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £
A1 Receipts				
Membership	-	-	-	-
Grant	-	-	-	-
Donations	2,830	-	-	2,830
Publicity	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,830	-	-	2,830
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,830	-	-	2,830
A3 Payments				
Insurance	-	-	-	-
Apiary equipment	679	-	-	679
Apiary consumables	759	-	-	759
Apiary maintenance	115	-	-	115
PPE	-	-	-	-
Honey bottling materials	-	-	-	-
Publicity	-	-	-	-
Reporting meeting expenses	-	-	-	-
Parking	5	-	-	5
Sub total	1,558	-	-	1,558
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,558	-	-	1,558
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,272	-	-	1,272
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	2,964	-	-	2,964
Cash funds this year end	4,236	-	-	4,236

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash	77	-
	Bank	4,129	-
	Bank	30	-
	Total cash funds	4,236	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
	Awaiting invoice		-
	Apiary equipment	Unrestricted	942
	Apiary consumables	Unrestricted	773
			-
			-
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees			
Signature		Print Name	
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Last year

to the nearest £

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60
2,442
70
-
-
-
-
2,578

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-

2,578

48
1,407
1,499
-
79
97
249
30
3,409

-

3,409

- 831
-
3,795
2,964



**Endowment
funds**
to nearest £

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OK

**Endowment
funds**
to nearest £

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**Current value
(optional)**

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**Current value
(optional)**

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**When due
(optional)**

Date of
approval

29-Sep-22