

Halifax Show 11th August 2018

Dear Members,

A few reminders about the arrangements for the Halifax Show:

- **volunteers:** We need help running sales, demonstrating and talking to the public about beekeeping. We will be setting up from around 8.15 am and are usually packing up by 4.30 pm. Offers to help either all day or for morning/afternoon will be gratefully received. Please let Barbara know if you will be available brickhillbees@gmail.com
- **sales :** Members wishing to sell honey, wax products etc. should present their goods by 9 am. Honey related baking is always in short supply and sells well. Please present any baking ready wrapped and priced. Vendors of honey ,baking etc should make Frank Jubb aware of quantities and price on arrival.

The Association has recommended a price of £5.50 for a 1lb jar of honey, £4.50 for 12oz and £3 for a half pound jar for 2018.

- **labelling requirements:** All honey presented for sale must be labelled in a manner consistent with the current regulations . These are straightforward and available on the HBKA website <http://halifaxbeekeepers.co.uk/halifaxshow.html>
The regulations relating to cosmetics produced from beeswax are significantly more onerous and are also available on the website.
Baking should be presented in closed see-through bags and cannot be cut or subdivided once at the show
- **honey show :** The schedule for this year's show will follow shortly giving details of the various classes and how to enter. Whilst this may appear a little daunting initially we hope as many members as possible will have a go at some of the classes. Please note that the range of classes has been expanded and now also includes a classes for a honey cake, jam and handicrafts. A new class for a 'novice' honey entry has also been included. Our show is intended to be friendly and encouraging. Our judge, Jim Pearson, will be happy to provide individual feedback if requested.
- **submission of entries** Peter Nichols, our entry secretary, would be grateful if as many entries as possible are made electronically prior to the show date. However entries will be accepted on the morning of the show up to 9.30am.
- **presentation of cups** will take place at the AGM. Could members in possession of cups from last year please contact Dianne on 367003 to arrange their return?
- **honey tasting/judging for the public :** This has proved very popular in the past and certainly boosts honey sales. We need about 6 members to provide a labelled jar which needs to only contain about half a pound. Please give to Roger on the day.

Hope to see you on the 11th August.
Barbara Beardsworth (Secretary)