



<p><b>ADM propositions review</b> The list of 11 propositions were read, discussed and agreed. Stuart to be advised as he is attending the ADM as the representative for our association.</p>	Alan/ Charles
<p><b>Trophy cabinet &amp; trophy storage.</b> The large glass cabinet on offer was thought to be too heavy and difficult to store safely and make use of. The storage cupboard and shelving was thought useful and will be collected by Alan &amp; Charles and taken to Hilton Green. Thanks to Wendy for her consideration of these useful items. The trophies are still with Clive, waiting photographs for insurance purposes. Consideration to use or just store the trophies will have a bearing on the policy details required.</p>	Alan
<p><b>Apiary Working Group</b> Bees flying at the time of visit to Shugborough; all hives fed with fondant, top bar hive hadn't taken fondant. The verroa drop was quite heavy. Date agreed for winter treatments 26<sup>th</sup> January. This session to be available to members as a teaching aid. Goggles and masks must be worn.</p>	Alan
<p><b>National Trust</b> To be notified that we don't need anything moving following their work in the area. The apiary is now accessible; Caroline to be notified the date of 26<sup>th</sup> January to confirm access.</p>	
<p><b>Hilton Green</b> Hilton Green bees have been fed there is fondant in the shed. Bees to be treated and perhaps trickling the nucs which are there.</p>	Craig
<p><b>Quartermaster</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Craig needs to stock take both Shugborough and Hilton, help was offered but it's easier to do it when he can.</li> <li>• Having done the stock he will have a better idea of items needed for the season to purchase items at Tradex or Spring Convention. Extractor prices still being monitored.</li> <li>• Alan requested 48 frames for the Honey Show.</li> <li>• Also having a new system for extracting will necessitate more supers and frames than in previous years.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Extracting Honey 2019</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hilton was discussed as a venue for extraction but with no power and water is a problem Shareshill was thought a better option. Charles extracted weekly last season the dates for this were available.</li> <li>• Craig is storing 2018 honey which needs jarring, we also need to purchase new buckets and bags to store the 2019 honey.</li> <li>• Is Peter Bell going to oversee an extraction session as a</li> </ul>	Trevor  Lynne

<p>teaching exercise?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lynne to check available dates at Shareshill for extraction during June, July &amp; August.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Treasurer's report</b>          Claire presented the detailed accounts for Year ending December 2018 showing a surplus of £4,261 Claire was thanked for a job well done!</p>	<p>Alan          All</p>
<p><b>Calendar for 2019</b>          Alan will be attending a Pig racing event and will make a booking with the organiser for a future event at Shareshill.          Winter lectures for October &amp; November 2019 suggestions to be brought to the next meeting.</p>	
<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Items received by email forwarded to committee.</li> <li>Asian Hornet registering &amp; team set up, Information on our website. Clive is our contact and is in touch with BBKA</li> <li>BeeCraft webinars forwarded as received for members to access.</li> <li>NBU annual report received with bee inspectors details. As Ben Bowen our area inspector is new it was suggested to invite him to our AGM to say a few words or to ask Colin Pavey</li> </ul>	<p>Lynne          Alan          Paul</p>
<p><b>Newsletter</b>          Alan is producing the next Newsletter and was complimented for his last edition. He expressed his thanks to Kate for her input.</p>	<p>Paul</p>
<p><b>Website</b>          Paul suggested a rethink on the website.</p>	
<p><b>AOB</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Paul to check if Shugborough and Hilton Green are registered on BeeBase.</li> <li>Stafford Castle is an event we usually attend. With different organisers this year a payment is needed. David &amp; Margaret Rawsthorne have agreed to attend. They will be asked to sell association honey to cover some of the cost. Up to £30 has been agreed.</li> <li>We need new posters to fit the new display boards.</li> <li>William Leeper a former member sent us some calendars of events for Sedgeley Gardening club. We note the date of their show 17<sup>th</sup> August 2019 which we usually attend</li> <li>Charles suggested a firmer approach to tackling the Nation Trust rather than be passive and accepting our situation short term. Trevor proposed that Charles put together a proposal to be presented to the right person higher up than Steve Armstrong and Sam Caraway in the organisation</li> </ul>	<p>?          Charles          ?</p>

<b>Date of next meeting</b> <b>Wednesday February 13<sup>th</sup> 2019 7.30 pm at Craig's</b>	
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