

Cymdeithas Gwenynwyr Conwy Conwy Beekeepers' Association

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Dear Beekeeper,

We hope that you and your bees are enjoying the warm weather!

Our next meeting on **Saturday 9th July** is the highlight of the beekeeping summer, starting with an **Apiary Meeting** at Tal y Cafn at 2.30pm. Bee suits available for newcomers. Meeting ends at 4pm. Followed by **BarBEEcue** at Steve and Jo Porter's, Bryn yr Aur Cottage, Llechwedd, Tel: 01492 596780, starting at 4.30pm. Bring your own BBeeQ food and drink. Salads and rolls supplied and/or bring some to share. Plus.....a guided walk around the garden and wild flower meadow. If you want to come to the BBeeQ but can't make the Apiary Meeting, here are the directions: Starting at Gyffin below Conwy, up the hill past Chip Shop. Take next left, drive 2 miles, pass chapel on right. Take next left, signposted Rowen. Turn right after 150 yards into the Porter's yard.

Breaking News..... Pyrethroid resistant mites have just been found in the Conwy Valley. Don't panic! We recommend that you use mesh floors and drone uncapping, and Apiguard instead of Apistan this year, with an Oxalic acid treatment in winter to mop up the stragglers. Further info to follow. AFB was confirmed in a hive at Bodfari earlier this month. We'll have copies of the CSL leaflet on Foulbrood recognition and control at the Apiary Meeting. Read it while you enjoy the BBeeQ.

Beekeeping consumables will be available at the apiary meeting or by collection from Chris Clarke, Tyn y Bwlch, Moelfre, Abergele, Tel: 01745 832812, email: bwlch@enterprise.net

Prices per 10: Foundation, BS deep wired £5.50, shallow wired £3.50, shallow unwired thin £2.50.
Frames, including gimp pins DN1, SN1 £7.50.

Honey jars are now in stock at Ynys Goch. 454g jars with a smart new gold plastic lid, reusable, no dents or scratches. **Buy early and save money!** July £26.50 per gross, August £28, September £29. Extra lids £10 per gross. Varroa floor mesh to suit national hives @ £2.50 per piece.

Association Website

Our new website has had a great reception from visitors. Many thanks to Pete Barrar! We'd welcome your digital images and information to add to the site, plus your comments and suggestions.

Honey Shows. Please do support the honey classes at Eglwysbach Show on Saturday 13th August and at Llanrwst on the 20th. Schedules from secretary.

Best wishes for a good honey harvest. I'm off to see Ian and Janet Shaw in the French Pyrenees next week.

Peter McFadden