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An exciting opportunity to hear the best speakers on beekeeping right here in Cornwall

Sat 22nd Sept 2018 Fal Building Truro College TR1 3XX

10am to 5 pm. Registration from 9am.

Tickets £12 in advance; £15 on the door

Complimentary refreshments all day

Lunchtime Pasties must be booked in advance

Bookings open 1st July - see reverse for details

Lectures, seminars and trade stands Gadget competition Our Traders and Stands include,

Northern Bee Books, BB Wear, Bee Hive Supplies, Modern Beekeeping, BeeBay, Bee Craft. Local Bee Inspectors to answer all your questions BIBBA, CBIBB, B4, BipCo

Speakers

Dan Basterfield Honey bee Dance Language Reading bees

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BEEKEEPING CONVENTION

Chris Parks Skep Beekeeping

Dr. Peter Kennedy Asian Hornets

Anne Rowberry Using a Demaree

Will Steynor Practical gadgets

Tickets and Pasties can be booked after 1st July from:

Heather Williams, Quillet Cottage, Leedstown, Cornwall TR27 6BP. <u>heather@quillet.org.uk</u> More details on <u>www.westcornwallbka.org.uk</u> or contact Mark or Sue Hoult on 01566 774618

Speakers include

Dan Basterfield

Dan grew up with beekeeping around him and now helps to run the family beekeeping business in Devon, expanding the business and building a brand new honey farm. He is an active member of the Bee Farmers Association, was trustee and Chairman of the International Bee Research Association, is a BBKA Master Beekeepers and Examiner; and holds the National Diploma in Beekeeping. He runs 120 - 140 double brood Modified Commercial hives, migrating between various farm crops in East Devon, and raises queens for prolific, productive and healthy qualities. Outside the beekeeping season, Dan undertakes teaching for the BBKA and NDB.

Chris Park

Chris keeps bees on organic farmland around the Oxfordshire / Wiltshire border and the Upper Thames valley. He has worked extensively with ancient technologies, experimental archaeology and traditional crafts. After researching and experimenting with varying styles of skep beekeeping, Chris teaches and lectures on skep making, beekeeping and beekeeping heritage / history around the UK. Chris is Chairman of the Beekeeping History Trust. He says that the practice of skep-beekeeping is not everyone's cup of tea, but it can be educational, rewarding and bee centred, in his experience creating healthy and happy stock.

Dr Peter Kennedy

Peter is a Senior Research Fellow in Professor Juliet Osborne's Pollinator Research Group within the Environment and Sustainability Institute at University of Exeter's Penryn campus in Cornwall. He has a B.Sc. in Biology from Southampton university and a PhD in Agricultural Ecology from Bristol University. Peter has over 25 years experience as a field ecologist studying the behaviour and population dynamics of beneficial insects. His research has involved studying the impact of multiple stressors on honey bee colony development and survival, as well as factors affecting foraging behaviour. He is also a beekeeper and was a seasonal bee inspector.

Anne Rowberry

After a career in teaching Anne moved to work for a charity involved in sustainable agriculture in Africa. She is a Master Beekeeper and keeps around 20 hives in Avon. She enjoys teaching beekeeping to pupils at a local school, is Chair of Avon County BKA and is also a trustee for the BBKA. What she loves about bees is that they do not read the books and keep us on our toes.

Will Steynor

Will started keeping bees in 1964 having built a WBC hive in a woodwork class at school. In the mid- 70s he decided to expand his hobby into a business running 70 hives as a sideline alongside his career as an airline pilot. He ran his business until 1993 when he sold his operation and returned to the ranks of the hobby beekeeper where he continues to enjoy making things.