

## The Honey Show 2022 Suzanne King

The show was held as usual at Coopers Square in Burton on the weekend of 1st and 2nd October.

We had a lovely weekend. Our judge Peter Lewis from Yorkshire was very discerning and informative. He was ably assisted by Heather Evans. Despite the slightly lower number of entries this year the standard was high and Peter was very complimentary.

There was a lot of interest from the general public. The bees from one of the apiary hives were on their best behaviour in an observation hive. This especially attracted children to come

to look and ask lots of questions. Sales of both honey and beeswax products were good. This included selling honey produced in our training apiary!

Many thanks to all the helpers who set up, dismantled and engaged with the general public. Thanks too to all the members who entered. I hope it will encourage others to enter next year. You have a year to prepare!

Categories were awarded as follows:

Gift class - Dave and Sue Coates Frame of capped honey - Dave and Sue Coates

Light honey - Bob and Pat Hurd Medium honey - Hamish Low Granulated honey - Bob and Pat Hurd

Ling honey - Hamish Low Dark honey - Dave and Sue Coates Soft set honey - Richard Matkin Composite honey - Hamish Low - also awarded best exhibit in show Cut comb - Hamish Low Dry mead - Ken Logue Sweet mead - Dave and Sue Coates Beeswax cake - Suzanne King Candles - Katherine Chudleigh Fruit cake - Bob and Pat Hurd Banana cake - Bob and Pat Hurd Novelty - Suzanne King Junior novelty - Issy and Sam Proctor Novice light honey - Deborah Losh Novice medium honey - Mish Schumskij

Cups will be also be awarded to those who gained the highest points in the honey classes, highest and 2nd highest in the show and highest points in the novice class.

We hope to have a short presentation of all the cups at the next meeting on the 17th October, followed by a question and answer session. Hope to see you there!





(Above) Judge Peter Lewis congratulates Hamish Low on achieving Best in Show

## For Sale

One of our members, Brian Burton, who lives in Doveridge, has asked me to let you know that he wishes to downsize and has various items of bee equipment for sale. All are Nationals and wooden.

He has 15 supers for £15 – £30 each, 5 brood boxes for £35 each, 100 wooden assembled frames, both super and brood box sized, with or without fresh comb.

A stainless steel 9–frame radial extractor, hand cranked or electric motor available, £150, feeders, crownboards and roofs.

If you wish to take advantage of this offer you can contact Brian on 07792 747537

(Left) Judge Peter Lewis and steward Heather Evans inspecting cut comb

## Items available to buy from the association shop:

HIVE PARTS:		FEEDERS & FEEDING:		
National Super Flat Pack	£21.45	English Feeder	£10.45	
National Brood Flat Pack	£26.40	Rapid Feeder	£4.95	
14" X 12" Brood Flat Pack	£38.50	Nuc Feeder	£6.60	
4" Roof Flat Pack	£39.60	Small Miller Type Feeder	£1.10	
Crownboard	£14.85	Feeder Eke	£7.70	
Framed Wire Queen Excluder	£19.80	HONEY & WAX EXTRACTING:		
Mesh Floor	£32.50	Stainless Steel Double Strainer	£23.10	
Sloping Hive Stand	£29.70	Straining Cloth	£3.85	
Plastic Narrow Ends 100	£7.15	30 lb Plastic Bucket	£3.85	
Nucleus Hive	£91.13	Bain Marie	£15.40	
Flat Pack Hive with Stand and one Supe	r £235	Nylon Honey Bucket Valve	£9.35	
10 Space Castellations (pair)	£3.78	30 lb Plastic Tap Bucket	£16.50	
11 Space Castellations (pair)	£3.78			
Steel Frame Runners	£1.76	GENERAL BEEKEEPING:		
Budget Floor	£12.00	Smoker	£39.38	
		Hive Straps Hive Tool	£7.15 £7.70	
FRAMES & WAX:		Pin Hammer	£7.70 £3.85	
SN4 Super Frames 10 Pack 10 PACK	£11.00	Bee Disease ID Charts	£3.65 £7.15	
SN4 Super Frames 50 pack	£36.30	Frame Nails 500 g	£3.16	
DN4 Brood Frames 10 PACK	£11.00	Pollen ID Charts	£7.15	
DN4 Brood Frames 50 PACK	£36.30			
14 X 12 Brood Frames 10 PACK	£17.86	The Association Shop		
Super Wax Foundation 10 PACK	£8.80	The association shop is open every Saturday morning from 10.00–12.00 until the start of November. From then on, please contact Dave who will arrange for the shop to open from 11 am to 12 noon. The shop is fully stocked with all of the		
Brood Wax Foundation 10 PACK	£12.65			
14 X 12 Brood Wax Foundation 10 PACK	£19.80			
National Dummy Board - Plastic	£8.25			
National Dummy Board - Wood	£7.70	regular items you may need.		
		All our stock is from Thorne's and prices are very competitive. We c		
QUEEN MARKING:		take BACS payments.	arr also	
Crown of Thorns	£6.60	The apiary site and shop is located at the Hillfield Animal Shelter, Hillfield Lane, Stretton, Staffordshire, DE13 OBN § Dave's email: dave.coates32@gmail.com		
Queen Clip	£4.95			
Marker Pens - assorted colours	£5.50			
Bee Brush	£4.40	Phone number : 01283 713603		

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