

## BASINGSTOKE AND DISTRICT BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION THE INAUGURAL JOHN FURZEY MEMORIAL LECTURE – CLIVE DE BRUYN ON 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2019 AT SHERBORNE ST. JOHN VILLAGE HALL, RG24 9HR

## "A LIFE WITH BEES"

We are delighted to announce that Clive de Bruyn NDB has agreed to visit Basingstoke on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March to give the inaugural John Furzey Memorial Lecture. Clive has been keeping bees since the mid 1960's and was awarded the National Diploma in Beekeeping in 1976, one of only 90 individuals who have achieved this, since it was introduced in 1955. Clive is the author of the authoritative book "Practical Beekeeping" published in 1997 and was a long-term friend of our distinguished member John Furzey who died in 2013



In Clive's words

"John was a good friend and a great beekeeper. It would be an honour to be involved in an event to remember him. I have many pictures of the beekeeping we did together: pollinating, queen rearing, taking bees to heather, extracting and general management."

So, join us for an interesting insight into Beekeeping in Hampshire and the South of England when John Furzey was based at Clapper Hill Bee Farm in Ramsdell.

We are anticipating a high level of interest in this talk and as the seating capacity of the hall is only 120, we have decided to make this a "Ticket Only" evening, with an Online Form available to request tickets. This form can be found at:

## https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfkd2nQ1jVkGDbXHCuHlwtVHMQbGc3NHMpuBw2lS34MgDRGgw/viewform

Members and their Partners are asked to donate £3 each for tickets, with no donation required for their Junior (aged under 18 years), and a donation of £4 if they bring a guest. Beekeepers from other local Associations are also invited to attend this talk, with a donation requested of £4 for each attendee.

The online form allows up to 4 Ticket requests. Contact John Fowler if you need assistance using the form.

Payment may be made direct to our Association's Bank Account, details of which will be provided in a confirmation email, or by cash/cheque on the night. Entry can't be guaranteed except with pre-booked tickets obtained using the online form. The closing Date for Ticket Requests is 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019

BDBKA would like to invite Beekeepers from other Associations to join us as Associate Members, which will qualify them for reduced pricing for future all ticket events. Nigel Semmence (APHA's Contingency Planning and Science Officer), will be giving his only local region talk for 2020 on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020, and Dr Patrick Yong, a consultant from Frimley Park Hospital will be talking on Allergic Reactions and Immunology on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019. More high-profile speakers are planned, one of whom will be invited to give the John Furzey Memorial Lecture, which we intend will be an annual event.

Associate Membership of Basingstoke and District Beekeeping Association can be taken out now at:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdgKDiJ8OrZX4PO86vmpyqV\_dDx8UFWKF7wgxGqluF4qa\_U8Q/viewform

We look forward to seeing you at the John Furzey Inaugural Lecture or at another Winter Evening Event.

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Full details of future events as they are announced can be found on our website at <u>www.basingstokebees.co.uk</u>