

Harrow Beekeepers' Association

Association Bee Centre
Hatch End Apiary Uxbridge Road, HA5 4EA



2 Day Bee Keeping Course

Saturdays 21 & 28 March 2020 10.00am to 4.00pm

Time	Saturday 21 March	Tutor
9.50	Arrival and registration	
10.00	Welcome & introduction	Jo Telfer
10.05	Wasps, bumblebees, solitary bees	Jo Telfer
10.20	Honeybees: the colony, social life, castes and functions	Doreen Tylden Pattenson
11.00	Equipment: the hive explained	
11.40	Coffee/tea break	
12.00	Equipment: bee suits/veils/gloves, hive tool, smoker	Aline Bowers
12.30	Lunch break: please bring your own food. Drinks provided all day	
1.00	Where to keep bees: Choosing a site Bee stings	
1.30	Local Forage: nectar, pollen, propolis Moving bees	Eileen Samuroff
2.15	comfort break + tea/coffee	
2.30	Care of Equipment: hygiene	Eileen Samuroff
3.00	Present day problems for bees	Jo Telfer
3.30	Any questions? What to bring/wear in the morning.	
	Sunday morning 22 March 11.00-1.00 Practical: a) make a frame, b) assemble a hive, c) looking at bees (weather dependent)	All the team
	Saturday 28 March	
10.00	Four Seasons. Spring management. What are the bees doing month by month	Bill Fitzmaurice
10.40	Summer build up	Marc Kalicki
11.15	Coffee/tea break	
11.30	Swarming: reasons for it! Collecting a swarm	
12.15	Lunch break: please bring your own food. Drinks provided all day	
12.45	Autumn: harvest time. Products of the hive	Bill Fitzmaurice
1.30	Short break for tea/coffee/Mead tasting Winter preparation	Moira Spiers
3.00	How to get started: Swarm or nucleus? Build your hive first, decide where to put them. What HBKA offers/3 rd party Insurance through BBKA	Jo Telfer
	Sunday 29 March 11.00 am apiary practical continued. Remember- Looking into bee hives is weather dependent! Equipment will be on sale on some Sundays	All the team