



BEEKEEPING TASTER DAYS FOR BEGINNERS IN 2018

Held at RHS Gardens, Harlow Carr, Harrogate

If you have ever thought of keeping your own bees, but are unsure how to start, or if you are wondering what is involved and how much it will cost, but are unsure how you will react to being close up and personal with real live bees then attending a Taster Day could be the answer. The Day is intended to provide adults or young people (age 16+) with an insight into bees and beekeeping by means of talks, demonstrations and as much practical beekeeping as time and weather allow. If the Taster Day inspires you to keep bees then we would recommend that you join your local Beekeeping Association (search the Internet for details), take a more in depth course and join the Craft of beekeeping.

Each Taster Day will commence at 10.00am and conclude at about 4.30pm. The Course fee includes tea and coffee throughout the day and a light, buffet lunch. Protective jackets and gloves will be provided on loan and you will need loose fitting trousers and Wellington boots or stout walking shoes/boots.



Hands on beekeeping at a Taster Day

Taster Days will be held in 2018 at

RHS GARDENS, HARLOW CARR, HARROGATE HG3 1QB (SATNAV HG3 1UE)

Saturday 21st July 2018 or Sunday 22nd July 2018 Taster Day fee £52

To apply for a Harlow Carr Taster Day please complete the Application form below and return it with your cheque for £52 (payable to HRBKA) to:

Elaine Remmer, HRBKA Course Bookings Administrator, 1 Springfields, Hillside, Follifoot, Harrogate HG3 1EE.

Places are allocated on a first come first served basis.

You will be notified as soon as possible to confirm that your name is on the course list, and joining instructions will be sent nearer the time.

Further information on the courses can be obtained by sending your queries by e-mail to education1@hrbka.co.uk

PTO for further information

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BEEKEEPING TASTER DAY at RHS Gardens Harlow Carr Harrogate APPLICATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

Post code _____

Telephone _____ Mobile _____

Email _____

I wish to apply for the **HARLOW CARR** Beekeeping Taster day on:

Saturday 21st July 2018 _____ (please tick) **OR Sunday 22nd July 2018** _____ (please tick)

I enclose a cheque for £52.00 made payable to HRBKA.

Signed _____ Date _____

(To help us improve our marketing, can you please indicate how you found out about the course?)

Beekeeping Information.

Beekeeping has increased greatly in popularity in recent years. There are over 25,000 beekeepers in England and Wales belonging to independent Beekeeping Associations that are in turn affiliated to the British Beekeepers Association..



Inspecting a Colony of bees

If you live in or near the Harrogate District then the Harrogate and Ripon Beekeepers Association is recommended and can be contacted at www.hrbka.org.uk., Alternatively you may prefer to contact the Association's Hon. Secretary directly by email at secretary@hrbka.org.uk

This Association runs a highly regarded Long Course for Beginners starting in January each year. This long course will give you a great deal of knowledge and practical experience of beekeeping and is an excellent follow on from a Weekend Course if you decide that you would like to take up beekeeping as a pastime and to learn much more about it.

Harrogate and Ripon Beekeepers Association was founded in 1921 and currently has an overall membership of over 450. The Association provides stands promoting beekeeping

at a number of large Shows and events in and around the Harrogate District every year. It also provides a range of meetings and courses enabling beekeepers to improve and develop their skills further.

Beekeepers of today are joining a long tradition, as human beings have kept bees in hives (of various sorts) for well over 6,000 years, and honey harvesting probably goes back to the very dawn of human development.



Weekend Course in the apiary