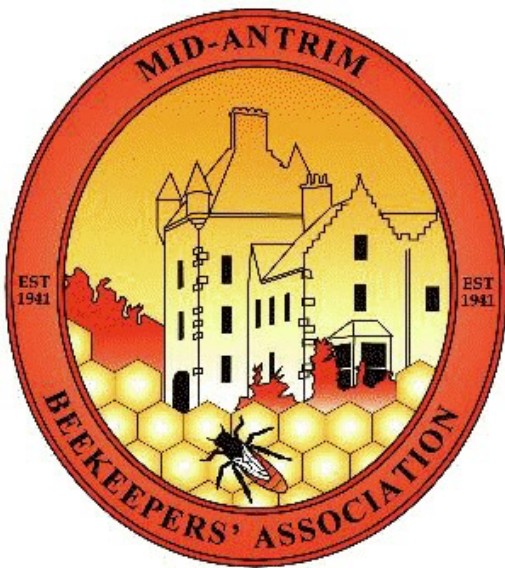


Mid Antrim Beekeeper's Association

"The oldest beekeeping association in N Ireland Est 1941"

Annual Report and Statement of Accounts



For the year to January 2023

Annual Report for the year ended January 2023

The trustees of Mid Antrim Beekeepers' Association are pleased to submit their report and accounts for the period

26th of November 2021 to 27th January 2023

Achievements and performances

The year in 4 numbers

81st Year
Promoting
Beekeeping

8 Guest speaker

10 Society
Meetings

£2876.54
Surplus for the
year

Meeting programme

The association's monthly meeting programme is a core activity which contributes greatly to the success enjoyed by the association. In the year to January 2023, we have had 10 meetings with various speakers giving talks on various pollinator subjects

Attendance across the meetings was 200

Our guest speakers are always a highlight of the programme. We had to keep meeting in Ahoghill community centre for 3 months before we were able to return to our clubhouse

Community access and outreach

We successfully ran a preliminary beekeeping course in our clubhouse attended by 10 candidates. This consisted of 8 evening classes and 2 apiary practical demonstrations.

Our members also attended several schools for beekeeping talks along with our observation hive which the children thoroughly enjoyed. The club also had a stand at our local Craigs parish fete with the observation hive and some of our beekeeping equipment for show.

During the year we managed to accrue 80 additional page likes on Facebook. But our Facebook reach has stayed at 2000

Membership

At 27th of January 2023 membership of the association was 69. New members during the year numbered 10.

Accommodation

Our Apiary team painted the interior of the clubhouse and tidied the exterior.

Financial Review

The year ended with a general balance of 12,500.79 compared with £10,992.42 for the same date last year.

Detailed accounts can be found attached.

Rent remains the same – a peppercorn rent of £1 per annum.

Membership income increased from £668.00 to £860.00. This was due to membership going back to the usual amount after covid.

Guest speaker expenses amounted to £230. Bank charges were zero.

Membership fees were returned to the normal amount for the year due to our increase in meetings and speakers

Stock

As of 27th of January the association held a stock of beekeeping items totalling £934.02.

Gifts and support in kind

In assessing the finances and assets of the Association it must be noted that many members and trustees give a great deal of support in time. The association apiary is tended in a voluntary capacity and was used for practical beekeeping and training our students in working with bees. Housekeeping and maintenance of the Observation House is also given by volunteers.

Funds materially in deficit

As at January 27th 2023 the Association had no fund in material deficit.
Approved and adopted by a meeting of the Executive Committee on 23rd
January 2023.

Louise Gillan President