



Surrey Exam Secretary report to 2025 AGM

This report covers the period November 2024 to October 2025.

11 Junior candidates from 3 Surrey divisions passed the Junior assessment.

This year there were candidates for the Basic assessment from seven of the eight of Surrey divisions. In total 54 candidates passed the Basic assessment.

14 candidates from 4 divisions passed the Honey Bee Health practical assessment.

One candidate passed the General Husbandry assessment.

When combining results for the November 2024 and March 2025 written modules, candidates achieved a total of 21 modules passes.

This year, nationwide, there were many last-minute applications for the Basic and Junior assessments. Next year, the closing date for applications for the Junior, Basic and Honey Bee Health assessments will be 30TH April. Please bring this earlier date to the attention of your divisional training and education officers. Those three assessments must be taken by 31st August. The Junior assessment has been renamed the Elementary assessment for 2026.

In an attempt to encourage more people to take Module 3, next year the fee for module 3 will be reduced to £10, from the usual £50. Similarly, in an attempt to encourage more people to take Honey Bee Health, the fee for that assessment has been reduced to £25 for 2026. In addition, for 2026 only, if a candidate passes the Advanced Husbandry assessment, the candidate will be refunded half of the £300 entry fee.

It only remains for me to thank the many assessors who give up their time during 2025 to assess candidates for the practical assessments.

Celia Perry

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