BDI Representative
for Surrey Beekeepers Association

Job description – November 2026

Role:

SBKA – BDI Representative

Volunteer Role

Responsibilities include:

1. Keeping abreast of the current beekeeping pests and diseases that exist in UK from BeeBase and other sources.

2. Draw up an annual report for the SBKA AGM regarding pests and diseases in Surrey BKA area (this includes Surrey County Council area and those Greater London areas within Surrey BKA, i.e. Croydon, Kingston and Wimbledon divisions).

3. Monitor Bee Disease Insurance Ltd (BDI) annual report - this is not always very informative to beekeepers and so the previous representative would usually extend it to include all pests and diseases rather than just those diseases covered by BDI.

4. Extract disease information trends from BeeBase data towards the end of the active beekeeping season and prior to the Surrey BKA AGM.

5. Review possible forthcoming pests and diseases that could arrive in the UK, e.g. Tropilaelaps, Small Hive Beetle.

6. Answer any questions about the report at the AGM meeting.