## Barnet and District Beekeepers Association

## Report to Federation of Middlesex Beekeepers Associations

Our membership has stayed steady with just over 100 members renewing their membership.

In 2021 we ran our beginners' course again with all the lectures given via Zoom and/or YouTube with follow up discussion sessions via Zoom. As restrictions allowed, we ran a mentoring program from spring to autumn for the beginners as well.

We have run some social events where we could, including our Christmas Social and annual Honey Show.

Our training apiary was looked after by a team of volunteer beepers to keep it going until we could re-start using it for our beginners courses this year.

2021 saw us restarting our monthly meetings and lecture programs, using virtual meetings when we could not meet in person and relying more on social media such as WhatsApp for members to have discussions on any beekeeping topics.

As we emerge into 2022, we will continue to use social media and virtual meetings as well as in person members meets. We have found that virtual meetings are well attended as many members find this a more convenient way to attend.

Moving forward we have a calendar of events planned for 2022 including getting back to a more normal delivery of our beginners' course which is now well underway.

Wilfred Wood Chairman, Barnet and District Beekeepers Association February 2022