



National Honey Show – St Georges College, Weybridge, Surrey

27th to 29th October 2011

Danish queen rearing expert Keld Brandstrup, Thomas Seeley from Cornell University, USA and Eric Osterlund, editor of the Swedish beekeeping journal 'Bitidningen' will be among the international experts presenting lectures at The 80th National Honey Show in October. Speakers from nearer home include Michael MacGiolla Coda, Professor Robert Pickard and Dr Nigel Raine. The show will also feature an extensive programme of workshops. The Show Schedule and programme will be published in Early August and this year you will be able to book workshops on line.

Every year the show grows bigger. Following the success of last year, the trade stands will again be together in the brighter gymnasium hall and there will be a wide selection of equipment and books to buy.

Ready to extract your honey? Don't forget to keep some of your best aside for the show. Seems like a long way off but it's only 3 months away. With so much to do at this time of year it's easy to put off thinking about show entries – but a little time spent planning now will pay dividends later. Look critically at your frames before uncapping them. If you find a really good one, keep it for the show. You can always extract it later. Keep your cappings wax separate. You could make it into an award winning block or a superb pair of candles.

If you receive this message before the 2011 programme and show schedule has been published, have a look at last year's schedule on the NHS website www.honeyshow.co.uk to get a feel for the categories you could enter.

Where is the show?

The show is at St Georges College, Woburn Hill, Addlestone, Weybridge, Surrey, KT15 2QS

Opening times: Thursday 27th October 1.45pm to 6pm

Friday 28th October 9.00am to 6pm

Saturday 29st October 9.00am to 4.30pm

How much does it cost?

You can become a member of the National Honey Show for £12 (or £13 via PayPal) and then entry for the duration of the show is free. Accompanied children of 16 years and under are free and additional family members over 16 years living at the same address can come in for £6 each. Admission for non-members is £15 per day. On Saturday admission for non-members after 12 noon is £5. You can join by contacting the membership secretary, Mrs Sandra Rickwood, 19 Kenwood Drive, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, KT12 5AU. Alternatively, email srhoneyshow@googlemail.com or telephone 020 33 55 8716 and leave a message. You can also pay on the door but it is better to get an advance ticket and avoid the queue. A programme and show schedule will be available on request.

The official closing date for show entries is 1st October but late entries will be accepted until 22nd October on payment of a £5 late entry fee.