

Directions to Lamplugh Village Hall

From the Cockermouth roundabout on the A66 follow the A 5086, signed to Cleator Moor and Egremont for approximately 10 miles. Lamplugh Village Hall is on your R just after the Lamplugh Tip Pub (sadly now closed). There is parking beside the hall, and on the opposite side of the road on muddy verges.

Take care when crossing this road. Traffic can be moving fast and visibility is poor.

For members of Whitehaven and District Beekeepers there will be a series of meetings at the Branch Apiary throughout the season, when you can borrow a bee suit and get in among the bees, to learn the basic skills required to become a confident beekeeper. To find out about joining W&DBK go to our website, or contact the Secretary.

For more information about beekeeping and organisations in Cumbria the following sites may be useful:

The British Beekeeping Association website: www.bbka.org.uk

Cumbria Beekeepers website: www.cumbriabeekeepers.co.uk

Whitehaven and District Beekeepers website:
www.whitehavenbeekeepers.co.uk

Whitehaven & District Beekeepers

An Introduction to Beekeeping

A Day course for Complete Beginners and those who wonder if Beekeeping is for them

At: Lamplugh Village Hall

On : Saturday March 10th

From: 9.15 am to 4.15 pm

Cost: £25.00

Light lunch (soup and a roll), tea and coffee provided.

The day will cover the basic theory of beekeeping and answer questions about the equipment and facilities you will need to start keeping your own bees.

Practical beekeeping experience will be offered later in the season at our teaching Apiary to those participants on the course who go on to become members of W&DBK

Programme

9:15: **Registration**

9:30 **Where would I keep bees?** A look at the places where beehives can and cannot be sited

Val Sullivan Chairman Cumbria BKA

10:15 **What is needed to make a start?** A practical guide to getting started with the right equipment, where to source it, what to spend, DIY options. Alan Robson W&D Beekeeper

11:15 **Coffee Break**

11:30 **The Bee Doctor:** An introduction to the role of Bee Inspectors, Bee diseases, Beebase, buying bees and getting help. Stuart Beattie SBI

12.45 **Lunch Break.** Soup and a roll provided

Please bring sandwiches etc if you need a more substantial meal(the nearby pub is closed)

13.30 **The Natural History of the Bee :** David Walmsley Secretary Furness BKA

14.45 **Tea Break**

15.00 **The Beekeeping Year :** What a year of beekeeping entails. David Walmsley Secretary Furness BKA

16.00 **Question Time** 16.15 **Finish**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____

E-mail: _____

I wish to attend the Whitehaven and District Beekeepers Introduction to Beekeeping Course on Saturday 10th March 2012 at Lamplugh Village Hall,

I enclose a cheque made payable to Whitehaven and District Beekeepers for £ 25.00/ person.

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