

EDINBURGH AND MIDLOTHIAN BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION
CONSTITUTION AND RULES

1. The name of the Association shall be the "EDINBURGH AND MIDLOTHIAN BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION".
2. The objects of the Association shall be the encouragement and the advancement of Beekeeping.
3. MEMBERSHIP. The Association may elect to Honorary Membership any member who has rendered eminent service to Beekeeping. Ordinary membership shall be open without election to those interested in Beekeeping. Ordinary members shall pay their subscription annually, on or before January for the year commencing. The Committee may alter the amount of the subscription as they consider necessary. New Life Members are no longer accepted.
4. The Committee shall consist of the Officers, *ex Officio*, the immediate Past President, and six members, two of whom shall retire each year and not be eligible for re-election until after one year. The Committee may co-opt up to four additional members, who shall serve until the next Annual General Meeting. The Committee shall manage the affairs of the Association, subject to any limitations that the latter may impose. Five shall form a quorum.
5. An Honorary Auditor shall be elected annually, but shall not be a member of the Committee.
6. Conference representatives shall be elected in accordance with the rules of the SCOTTISH BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION to represent this Association at the Meetings of that body.
7. MEETINGS. At all Meetings Standing Orders shall be observed. The Annual General Meeting shall be held within two months of the thirty-first of December, the end of the financial year. The order of business shall be:
 1. Constitution of Meeting.
 2. Intimations, including apologies for absence.
 3. Reading and consideration of Minutes.

4. Business arising from Minutes.
5. Secretary's Report.
6. Treasurer's Report, in which the Treasurer shall submit audited accounts for the preceding financial year.
7. Election of Officers, Auditor and Committee.
8. Any other competent business.

A Special General Meeting shall be called by the Secretary within three weeks of the receipt of a written requisition signed by ten members. The Meeting shall be called at not less than one week's notice, which shall specify the whole business to be brought before the Meeting.

9. Alteration of the Constitution or Rules shall require a majority of two-thirds of the members present and voting, at a General Meeting, the notice calling which shall have intimated the proposed alterations.

(Signed) A.C. Halkett
Hon. Secretary.
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