

## About the course

Our course uses the British Beekeepers Association's (BBKA) 'Introduction to Beekeeping' teaching materials. The courses objectives will allow people to:

- Be able to understand the workings of a beehive
- Understand the life cycle of a honeybee
- Understand what is involved in keeping bees
- Undertake some initial practical beekeeping

**We run one course per year, over one weekend, with a maximum of 40 places available. The course fee for 2010 is £75.00 to include:**

- Membership of Ormskirk & Croston Beekeepers
- Full membership of the BBKA
- Six copies of the BBKA news per year
- BBKA public & product liability insurance

**In addition the two day course the fee includes attendance on a series of beekeeping sessions (Wed or Sun) to learn practical beekeeping skills from experienced beekeepers. Finally it also includes preferential on the waiting list to purchase live bees.**

**Each student will need to bring their own protective footwear (Wellington boots) and a pair of marigold washing up gloves or disposable gloves for the 2<sup>nd</sup> day. Protective bee suits & veils will be loaned to students. Hive tools & beekeepers smokers will be available.**

## Programme

### **DAY ONE (Lectures at Edge Hill University)**

- 9.00am Registration Tea/coffee
- 9.45am Refresher on bees and hives
- 10.45am Break
- 11.00am Swarm control
- 12.00pm Lunch
- 1.00pm Pests & Diseases
- 2.00pm Break
- 2.15pm Beekeeping Year
- 3.15pm Finish

### **DAY TWO (Practical Day at our out apiary)**

- 9.45am Making a frame/ assembling a flat pack hive
  - 10.45am Break
  - 11.00am Honey & other products of the hive
  - 12.00pm Lunch
  - 1.00pm Apiary location
  - 2.00pm Break
  - 2.15pm Hive opening
  - 3.15pm Summary session
  - 3.30pm Close
- (During day two the attendees will be split into two groups and will rotate the morning and afternoon sessions)*

### **LIVE BEES**

*As noted during Sunday there will be opportunity to open a hive. Should the weather be totally unsuitable an alternative date will be arranged for this element.*

**BOOKING FORM**

**I/we would like to attend the  
'Introduction to Beekeeping' course. I  
enclose a cheque made payable to  
Ormskirk & Croston beekeepers for  
£75.00 per person.**

**Name.....**  
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**For further information or to book a  
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**Lancashire Beekeepers  
Association**

**Introduction  
To Beekeeping**

Edge Hill University Ormskirk (Sat)  
Out Apiary near Rainford (Sun)

**Saturday & Sunday April  
10<sup>th</sup> / 11th 2010**

This two day course follows on from the one day taster courses that are held in late Autumn and Early spring. It is assumed that participants will have either attended one of these one day courses or already have some basic beekeeping knowledge.