

## WDBKA Bee Library Catalogue

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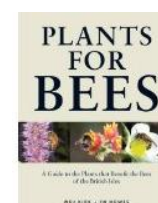
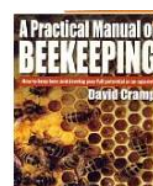
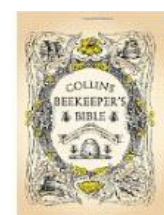
- Current books and DVDs
- Books of historic interest
- Equipment for hire from the WDBKA

To request any book or DVD, please contact Michele on [vassar14@gmail.com](mailto:vassar14@gmail.com) and I will bring it to the next apiary session or meeting.

Please note: only full members of the WDBKA may use the library

### Current Books and DVDs

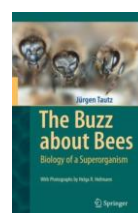
1. **Queen Breeding for Amateurs** by CP Abbott: 2010  
A reprint of a classic book
2. **A World Without Bees** by Alison Benjamin: 2009  
What is causing honeybee decline and how can this be stopped
3. **Beekeeping – A Seasonal Guide** by Ron Brown: 2011  
A month-by-month practical guide with sections for beginner and more experienced beekeeper alike.
4. **Collins Beekeeper's Bible**: 2010  
A large reference book covering the history of beekeeping, recipes, plants and much more. Good to dip into
5. **A Practical Manual of Beekeeping** by David Cramp: 2008  
This book is aimed at beginners
6. **The Honey Bee Around and About** by Celia F Davis: 2007  
Honeybee origins and subspecies, diseases and varroa and the relationship of bees and plants.
7. **The BBKA Guide to Beekeeping** by Ivor Davis: 2012  
Official BBKA guide
8. **Practical Beekeeping** by Clive De Bruyn: 2003  
Complete guide to bees and their management
9. **The Complete and Easy Guide to Beekeeping** by Kim Flottum: 2005  
Practical guide, fun facts, honey recipes, beeswax
10. **A Sting in the Tale** by Dave Goulson  
Dave Goulson is fascinated by bumblebees. This is the story of his attempts to reintroduce the short-haired bumblebee, now extinct in the UK.
11. **Guide to Bees and Honey 5<sup>th</sup> ed.** by Ted Hooper: 2010  
Updated edition of a classic text on practical beekeeping
12. **Plants for Bees** by WDJ Kirk and FN Howes: 2012  
This is a comprehensive guide to plants and their relationship to bees published by the International Bee Research Association
13. **The Bee Garden** by Maureen Little: 2012  
Why bees need plants, how plants attract bees and how to create a bee-friendly garden.
14. **Bees – A Natural History** by Christopher O'Toole: 2013  
Large, beautifully illustrated book about bees, their species,



relationship to plants and other animals, bees in folklore and medicine

15. **The Buzz About Bees – Biology of a Superorganism** by Jurgen Tautz: 2008

Based on work by his own research group this is a marvellous insight into the realm of bees with remarkable action photographs

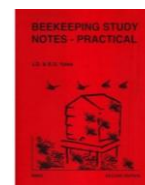


16. **Haynes Bee Manual** by Claire and Adrian Waring: 2011

Published by Haynes (famous for their car manuals) this is a no-nonsense guide in the same format.

17. **Beekeeping Study Notes – Practical** by JD and BD Yates: 2004

These are the study notes for the BBKA practical exams



### Books of Historic Interest

1. **Breeding the Honeybee** by Brother Adam: 1987
2. **Honey Bee Pathology** by Leslie Bailey: 1981
3. **Honey and Your Health** by BF Beck and Doree Smedley: 1947
4. **One Thousand Years of Devon Beekeeping** by RH Brown: 1975
5. **Honeybees from Close-Up** by Arthur M Dines and Stephen Dalton: 1968
6. **The Lore of the Honeybee** by Tickner Edwardes: 1946
7. **The Social Organization of Honeybees** by John B Free: 1977
8. **Honeycraft in Theory and Practice** by John A Lawson: 1948
9. **ABC and XYZ of Bee Culture** by AI Root: 1978 (facsimile of 1877 ed)
10. **The Behaviour and Social Life of Honeybees** by Ronald Ribbands: 1953
11. **The Wisdom of the Hive** by Thomas D Seeley: 1995
12. **Swarming – Its Control and Prevention** by LE Snelgrove: 1972
13. **Queen Rearing** by LE Snelgrove: 1946
14. **Anatomy and Physiology of the Honeybee** by RE Snodgrass: 1925
15. **Bees – Their Vision, Chemical Senses and Language** by Karl Von Frisch: 1950
16. **A Manual of Beekeeping** by EB Wedmore: 1947
17. **The Biology of the Honeybee** by Mark L Winston: 1987

### DVDs

1. **An Introduction to Keeping Bees**

*Second Sight Productions: 2002*

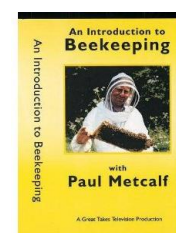
An overview of the subject aimed at beginners.



2. **An Introduction to Beekeeping with Paul Metcalf**

*Great Takes Television Ltd*

Paul Metcalf has been keeping bees for almost 50 years and was the beekeeping advisor for Norfolk. He takes the viewer through the beekeeping year from April to Dec explaining the various tasks to be done.



3. **Dancing With Bees**

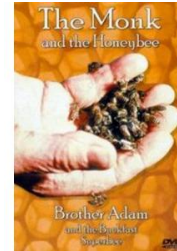
*Wannabee Films: 2005*

This film explores the beauty and colour of the natural world in the life of the honeybee.

4. **The Monk and the Honeybee**

*York Films: 1988*

A film about the beekeeping monk Brother Adam from Buckfast Abbey. An insight into the workings of the beehive and the genius of of the greatest beemasters of all time.



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5. **Dancing for Their Supper / The Honey Harvest**

*Sheffield University TV / Paul and Paula Edwards*

This DVD has two films: Sheffield University's look at decoding the language of bees and Paula Edwards (WDBKA) demonstrating honey extraction in The Honey Harvest.

**Equipment**

Equipment is held by Liz Moxom on 01308 485504 or [liz@dipperswestdorset.co.uk](mailto:liz@dipperswestdorset.co.uk) and can be hired for a nominal charge.

6. **3-Frame Manual Extractor**

This only takes super frames



7. **9-Frame Manual Extractor**

This extractor takes any size frames – Super, Brood, 14x12, National and Langstroth either radially or tangentially.



8. **Steam Wax Extractor**

Uses steam to clean old wax and dirty comb. Molten wax runs from the spout on the side into a container.

