

## Report on Mid-Cheshire Accounts for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022

We have a total of £3,682.22 in our Barclays Community account.

We have a surplus of £717.88 for 2022 and this has been achieved by some very kind donations.

We have received donations from people who have been thankful to Karl Colyer for dealing with swarms and these total £175.

We have also received donations for swarm collection and talks to scout groups from Steve Purkis and these total £90

Thanks also to Ian Turley, who made clearer boards and sold them with a £5 donation for each one (total £25) going to the association.

We sold honey at The Royal Cheshire Show and Arley Garden Festival resulting in donations of £196.68 to the association from our sellers.

The CBKA have discontinued the capitation payment to all the other branches in Cheshire for this year but have paid us £5 per member for the 68 members we had in 2021. Capitation has always been paid for the number of members in the previous year based on numbers published in the Year Book.

We are expecting some increased costs for our speakers in 2023 but we are very thankful to Bob Beards, Mark Phillipson, Karl Colyer, Pete Sutcliffe and Lesley Jacques who have all done presentations for us without making a charge.

We are also thankful to Dave and Rachel Wright, Ian and Jane Turley, Nick and Sarah Johnson, Lesley Jacques, Simon Raeburn and Ken Houghton who have organized apiary meetings for us and have not taken any expenses for the excellent refreshments provided afterwards.

Lesley Parker looks after our honey extractor and we would like to thank her for organizing the rentals.

On the expenses side we have had some new A5 leaflets printed which will be useful to give out to prospective members and to provide information to the public at the shows we attend.

We bought a few new library books at the beginning of the year and these have been invaluable at our bee chats and we have increased the number of books being loaned out during the year.

We are expecting more costs for speakers next year.

Sarah Johnson

Treasurer