Dear WGBA Members

Here are the Honey Show 2022 results and a link to a fabulous video Chris made on the day itself.

https://youtu.be/2M_OhRUBXT4

Many thanks to one and all for another great show, and congratulations to all members who entered an exhibit. Lovely to see such a great spread of awards being won across all the entrants this year. The judge, Reverend Kristina Bradley, was simply wonderful - informative and very witty! For those who missed the show, she shared her thoughts as she judged, as well as her top tips for improving exhibits. Her summary praised the efforts of entrants and the high standard of exhibits shown. Her view was that many of the exhibits being judged would be competitive at the bigger shows and she offered her help in the future to members of the club wishing to consider this. It was great fun, wonderful atmosphere and all in all a really special day!

Full results -

Class 1 - 2 jars light honey - 1. Jim McColm, 2. John Rennie, 3. Linda Robertson;

Class 2 - 2 jars medium honey - 1. Jim McColm, 2. Anne Burton-Smith, 3. Andrew Hedley;

Class 3 - 2 jars creamed/soft set honey - 1. Andrew Hedley, 2. Jim McColm, 3. John Rennie;

Class 4 - 2 containers cut comb honey - 1. John Rennie, 2. Linda Robertson;

Class 5 - 2 jars chunk honey - 1. Heidi Hunt; 2. John Rennie;

Class 6 - 2 jars heather/heather blend honey - 1. John Rennie, 2. Linda Robertson, 3. Kathleen McHarrie:

Class 7 - Honey judged on taste alone - 1. Kathleen McHarrie, 2. Katherine Robertson, 3. Linda Robertson;

Class 8 - Frame of honey - 1. Andrew Hedley, 2. John Rennie; 3. Jim McColm;

Class 9 - 5 beeswax blocks - 1. Heidi Hunt, 2. Linda Robertson;

Class 10 - 3 products containing beeswax - 1. Heidi Hunt, 2. Potter's Garden, 3. Heather Reid;

Class 11 – Honey cake - 1. Kathleen McHarrie, 2. Anne Burton-Smith, 3. Andy Burton-Smith;

Class 12 - Photograph - 1. John Rennie, 2. Linda Robertson, 3. Anne Burton-Smith;

Class 13 – Infused Honey - 1. Kathleen McHarrie, 2. Heidi Hunt, 3. John Rennie;

Class 14 - handmade item relating to beekeeping - 1. Anne Burton-Smith, 2. Heidi Hunt, 3. Richard Atkins:

The trophies were presented to –

Newton Stewart Cup - novice with most points - Andrew Hedley;

Points Cup - entrant with most points overall – John Rennie;

Tankard - winner of photographic class – John Rennie;

Jim McColm trophy - best honey exhibit in show - Kathleen McHarrie;

Tonderghie trophy - best wax exhibit in show - Heidi Hunt;

Glenrazie Shield - best exhibit in show - Anne Burton-Smith

During the presentation of the trophies and awards, one of our members, Andrew Hedley, was awarded the Newton Stewart Cup for Novice with the most points. After proudly accepting the silver cup from the judge and admiring the trophy he realised that his uncle's name was engraved on the cup from 1954 and 1956! Andrew is also still using his uncle's old hives. We were all delighted with this little piece of club history and the continuation of historic beekeeping in Galloway!

Heidi

Honey Show secretary