KENT BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION (KBKA)

Mid Kent Branch

RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP between 1st Oct 2025 to 30th Sept 2026
or for NEW MEMBERS applying before 31st Dec 2025

www.kbka.org.uk

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS *(not all benefits are available to all membership levels – see below)*

- Information and advice on beekeeping
- £10m third party public liability insurance
- £10m product liability insurance
- Bee disease insurance (BDI)
- Monthly magazines – BeeCraft and BBKA News
- Online resources - education/training, forum, etc.
- Beekeeping examinations to the highest level
- Regional, national and international representation
- Annual Honey Show, Spring Convention & Exhibition
- Regular meetings/talks held by all 12 KBKA branches
- BBKA Membership entitling you to additional benefits

WHICH MEMBERSHIP LEVEL IS FOR ME?

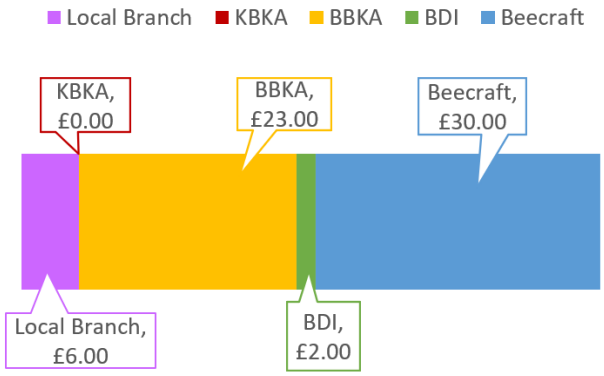
Use the 'matrix of benefits' below to work out the best level of membership for you, according to your needs.

Membership Level	Local Branch Info	BBKA Member	BBKA Insurance	Disease Insurance	BBKA News	Bee Craft
Registered [1]	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
Partner [2]	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO
Junior [3]	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
Friend	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO

[1] You can only be a Registered member of ONE BBKA area association at a time
[2] Must be resident at the same address as a Registered member
[3] Juniors must be aged 18 or under on 1st October and provide the name of a parent/guardian on the first line of their address, for insurance purposes

WHERE DOES MY MONEY GO?

Your subscription charge is made up of numerous constituent parts, payable to different organisations. This chart shows the breakdown of a Registered membership (totalling £61.00) for reference.



BBKA 3rd PARTY and PRODUCT INSURANCE

The two insurance policies the BBKA offer protect you in the event you, your bees or a "product of your hive" is accused of causing damage to other people or their property – whether the event relates to your apiary, collecting a swarm, participating in a show or most other normal beekeeping activities.
Both policies offer cover up to £10m.

Management Liability cover is also included, should you wish to take up a position on your branch (or county) committee.

Full details are available on the BBKA website.

BEECRAFT

This magazine is supplied from February to January – so if you're joining as a new member in October – you may have to wait a little while for your first copy.
You can reduce your membership fee a little by opting for the "Digital Only" subscription to BeeCraft, if you are happy not to receive the printed magazine through the post, but instead access it online.

Please note – due to HMRC rules, we cannot claim Gift Aid on the BeeCraft component of your subscription.

BEE DISEASE INSURANCE (BDI)

Registered and Junior membership levels include cover for up to 3 colonies at no additional cost.

When insuring, potential increase in the year must be taken into consideration, this includes nuclei and swarms.
If the number of colonies managed exceeds the number you have paid for, no cover will apply under the BDI policy.

No claims may be made in the first 40 days of a new policy. Renewing members are covered immediately on renewal, with no waiting period.

Premiums payable for additional colonies are as follows.

No. of Colonies	Premium
4-5	£1.20
6-10	£4.70
11-15	£7.75
16-20	£9.50

No. of Colonies	Premium
21-25	£11.10
26-30	£13.60
31-35	£16.10
36-39	£18.10

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Mid Kent Branch 2025/26

For Office Use Only
Receipt No. .....

In order to administer your membership and provide you with associated benefits, we will share the details you provide here with British Beekeepers Association (BBKA), Bee Disease Insurance (BDI) and Bee Craft.
We would like to share your details with the National Bee Unit's (NBU) BeeBase system to help with disease prevention and to keep you updated with any notifiable diseases near you. If you're happy to do this, please tick this box. ☐

Primary Member Title _____ Forename _____ Surname _____

Partner Member Title _____ Forename _____ Surname _____

Address _____

_____ Postcode _____

E-Mail _____ Telephone _____

MEMBERSHIP LEVEL	COST	£
Registered [1]	**£61.00**	
Partner [2]	**£20.00**	
Junior [3]	**FREE**	
Friend	**£5.00**	
BeeCraft Digital Only *Deduct £10.00*	**- £10.00**	
Additional BDI Premium *Number of Hives: _____*	*See page 1 for rates*	
Donation to Branch Funds		
Donation to County Funds		
TOTAL TO PAY £		

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Using Gift Aid for your subscription and donations means that KBKA can claim an extra 25p from HMRC for every £1 you give.

☐ I want to Gift Aid this subscription and any future donations I make.

Please notify the Membership Secretary (see below) if you:
- want to cancel this declaration
- change your name or home address
- no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains

If you pay Income Tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self-Assessment tax return or ask HMRC to adjust your tax code.

Due to HMRC rules, we are unable to collect Gift Aid on the Bee Craft or Additional BDI Premium component of your subscription.

PAYMENT METHOD

BANK TRANSFER / CHEQUE / CASH
(Delete as appropriate)

HOW TO PAY

Please send this completed form, with payment to your Branch Membership Secretary:

Marj Underwood
Chalk House
Lenham Road
Harrietsham
ME17 1NQ

E-Mail:
membershipmkbk@yahoo.com

Phone: 07768 718876

Cash can be returned along with this form in person to your Branch Membership Secretary. Please do not post cash.

Cheques should be made payable to: **KBKA Mid Kent Branch**

Online Banking (BACS) payments can be made using these details, please remember to also return this membership form:

Account name: **KBKA Mid Kent Branch**
Sort code: **40-31-06**
Account number: **21544373**
Amount: ***Total from above***
Reference: ***Your surname***

A **receipt** will be issued via e-mail after your membership has been processed. Contact your Membership Secretary for a printed copy.