

## **BWARS AGM Programme 28<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> September 2013**

Venue: Entomology Department, National Museums Liverpool, by kind agreement of the Curator of Entomology and the Trustees. World Museum Liverpool, William Brown Street, Liverpool L3 8EN.

### **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September - Workshops (Places limited to advance bookings only [louisehislop@talktalk.net](mailto:louisehislop@talktalk.net)) 12.00 – 17.00**

12.00 – 13.30 We will meet informally over lunch, which may be eaten on the premises

13.30 – 14.30 Mike Edwards – *The preservation and presentation of specimens, labelling and data handling; Bees, Wasps & Ants*

14.30 – 15.15 Tea break

15.15 – 16.30 Graham Collins – *Spider wasps - testing the new RES Pompilid key.*  
Members are asked to bring their own material (especially putative examples of *Episyron gallicum*).

16.30 – 17.00 Informal discussion with id help. Clear the building by 17.00

*There will be an opportunity for use of the museum's collections (please apply to Louise Hislop in advance), informal chat and help with identifications throughout the afternoon. We ask that members are considerate of the workshops being held during this time.*

### **Evening meal – booked for 19.00**

Bellini Restaurant, 53 Whitechapel, Liverpool L1 6DT

If you wish to attend but have not booked please contact Louise Hislop before 7<sup>th</sup> September [louisehislop@talktalk.net](mailto:louisehislop@talktalk.net)

### **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September 9.00 – 15.30**

**If you wish to attend please let Secretary (Louise Hislop) know, as we need numbers for insurance purposes.**

Please bring a packed lunch to help us keep to time and allow people to leave promptly at the end of the day.

### **09.30 BWARS AGM**

#### **Provisional Agenda**

The President Michael Archer will take the chair in order to commence the business of the day.

- 1. Election of Chairman for the meeting**

The President will then hand over to the elected chairman.

- 2. Apologies**

- 3. The minutes of the 2012 AGM**

These have been circulated in the Autumn 2012 Newsletter.

#### **4. Matters arising**

#### **5. Officers' reports**

1. Chairman - Stuart Roberts
2. Treasurer/Membership Secretary - Hilary Erenler

#### **6. Terms of Appointment for Officers of the Society**

It has been proposed that there should be a suggested length to the term of office for the officers of the Society. This necessitates slight changes to the Constitution.

Proposal that Committee Members with portfolio be appointed for a term of 4 years; Ordinary Members increased from 2 to 3 years.

#### **7. Election of Officers for 2013**

The following nominations have been received. Any others should be handed to the Secretary, Louise Hislop, before the start of the meeting.

Chairman - Stuart Roberts

Treasurer/Membership Secretary – Hilary Erenler wishes to resign, so position is open for election.

Secretary – Louise Hislop (will resign AGM 2014)

Enquiries Secretary – Scotty Dodd

#### **8. Election of Ordinary Members (4)**

If the meeting agrees that ordinary members should stand for 3 rather than 2 years, and the current ordinary members confirm that they are happy to continue, then elected committee members are Andrew Philpott, Tom Ings and Matt Smith. Tim Newton has resigned, so there is one place open for election. Nominations should be sent/handed in to the secretary, Louise Hislop, before the start of the meeting.

#### **9. AOB**

This should be for emergency items only. If you know of an issue which you wish to bring to the notice of the meeting, please send details to Louise Hislop by 20<sup>th</sup> September so that it can be added to the agenda.

11.30 Coffee break

#### **Talks/Presentations:**

12.00 Deepa Senapathi – *The impact of historic land-use change on pollinator communities in Britain*

12.30 Lunch

13.30 George Pilkington - *Design and development of educational wild bee nest boxes allowing for observational studies*

13.45 Members' slides

14.00 John Walters - *Oil Beetles and Bees*

- 14.30 Mike Archer - *The ups and downs of abundances of the social wasps, Vespula vulgaris and V. germanica*
- 15.00 Mike Edwards - *Towards a modern Red List Assessment of the UK aculeate Hymenoptera*
- 15.30 Close of meeting