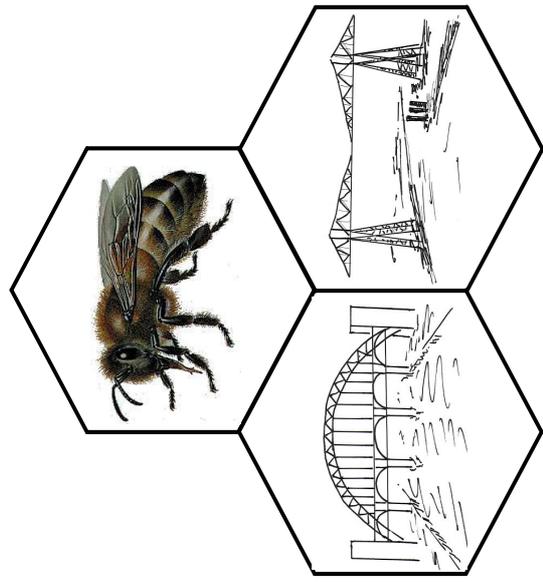


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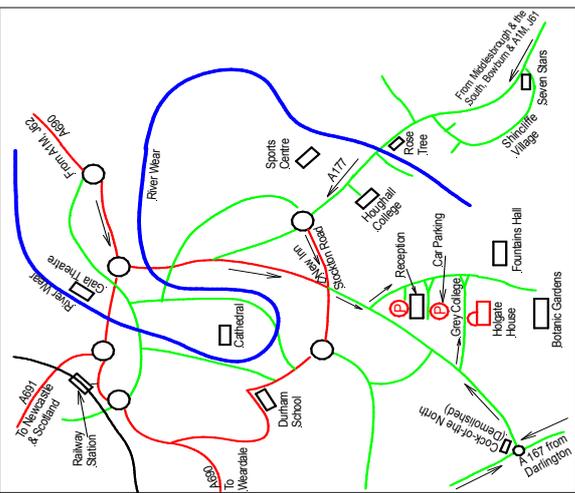
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(Formerly Kirkley Hall Conference)



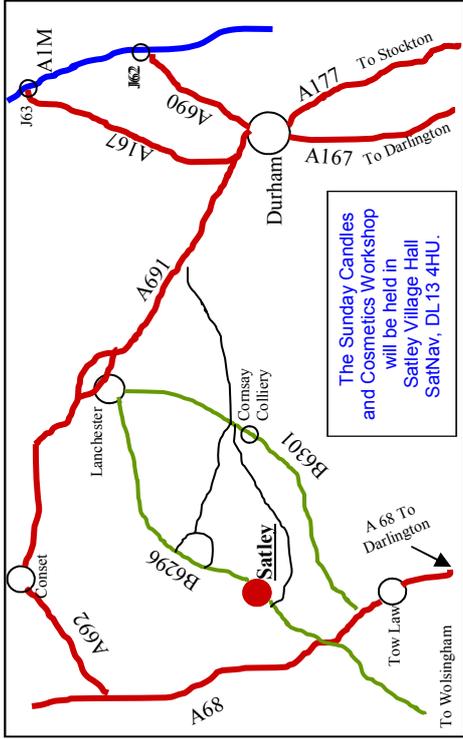
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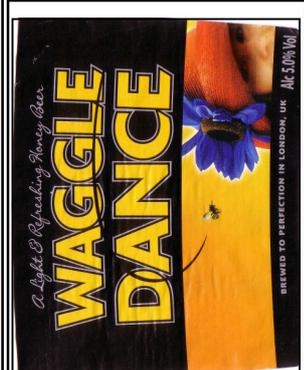
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To get here, By Car: SatNav, DH1 3LG
From the North (A1M)
Exit at Junction 62, A690 to Durham. You will travel down a dual carriageway for 1.5 miles. At the roundabout, go straight ahead towards the City Centre. You will go down a hill. Stay in the left hand lane and just before the next roundabout, take the left filter lane. The Marriott Royal County Hotel is on your left. Go straight ahead at the traffic lights. Move into the right hand lane and filter slightly right up the hill. You will come to a cross roads with traffic lights. The New Inn is on your left. Go straight through the traffic lights and up the hill. Grey College is the second left turn. Car parking is both in front of and following the road to the left, behind the reception block.
From the South (A1M)
Exit at Junction 61, A177 to Bowburn and Durham. Stay on the A177 for about 5 miles and crossing the River Wear travel to the next island. Turn left and in 1/2 mile turn left at traffic lights, the New Inn is on your right... Grey College is the second left turn. Car parking is both in front of and following the road to the left, behind the reception block.
Meet in Holgate House.



Directions to Satley Village Hall.
By Car from the north:
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Via the A68, is signed for Satley just north of Tow Law. Turn right on the B6296 for Satley.
From the south:
Via the A167 & 177; head into Durham and take the A691 for Conset. Turn left for Lancaister and Satley.



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52 Years of Beekeeping Conventions

The first North of England Beekeeping Convention was held at Kirkley Hall in 1956, where they were held every year until 2004 (exception for 2001 when foot and mouth disease intervened). Convened by the beekeepers of Northumberland, Newcastle, Durham, and Cleveland, they are renowned for their friendliness and comradeship. They have always sought to engage speakers of international as well as national stature and this year is certainly no exception. Following the positive response received regarding the change of venue we have decided to meet again this year at Grey College, in Durham.

The University of Durham Botanic Garden is situated near Grey College and as guests of the College, you are welcome to wander there as you please. The nearby Oriental Museum is also well worth a visit, as are numerous places of interest within the City of Durham, in particular the Cathedral and the Castle.

Please come and join us in Durham this year and help to contribute to our annual beekeeping fellowship, we feel sure you will not be disappointed.

OUR SPEAKERS

Philip McCabe

Philip is a third generation beekeeper and past President of the Federation of Irish Beekeepers' Associations. He shot to international fame in 2005 when, as President of Apimondia 2005 and dressed only in underpants he attempted to break the Guinness Record for "a mantle of bees", but "only 210,000 adhered to his body due to inclement weather conditions". He is well known in Ireland as a broadcaster on the radio programme "Mooney Goes Wild", while strawberry growers appreciate his invention of a specialised tunnel pollination system. He is based at the Adult College at An Grianan, Termonfechin, Eire and lectures nationally and internationally. He holds a third level qualification in Apicultural Science and currently works 60 colonies.

Dr. Geraldine Wright

Jeri Wright grew up and attended university in Wyoming, launching a scientific career in botany and entomology. In 1994 she moved on a prestigious scholarship to the Zoology Department at the University of Oxford, gaining a D Phil in insect foraging behaviour and nutritional homeostasis. She then spent six years back in the States, at the Rothenbuhler Honeybee Laboratory at Ohio State University, where she developed mathematical models of neural circuit function in relation to olfactory learning and memory in honeybees. In the Spring of 2005 she took up her present post as Lecturer in the Division of Biology at Newcastle University, with a research programme directed at the integration of information on smell and taste in the honeybee brain.

Mrs. Liz O'Neil

Liz writes: I became interested in candle making about 9 or 10 years ago when my husband began to keep bees. I learnt the basics of this art by attending a course at Chain Bridge Honey Farm and then began making various candles at home. This led to a decision to make and sell candles at craft fairs in the region, where I offered rolled and moulded candles in a variety of shapes and sizes, plus accessories. Later I learnt how to make moisturising cream and furniture polish, both of which proved popular. I have passed on some of this knowledge in talks and demonstrations to W.I.'s and Townswomen's Guilds and look forward to sharing my techniques and ideas with beekeepers at the Convention workshop.

Programme

Morning Session

Saturday, Venue, Holgate House

9.15-9.45

Registration and coffee

9.45-10.00 **Opening address**

10.00-11.00 **"The perception of floral scent by honeybees"**

11.00-11.30 **Dr. Geraldine Wright** Chair _____
Morning Coffee

11.30-12.30 **"There's a swarm in my apple tree"**

12.30-14.00 **Philip McCabe** Chair _____
Luncheon and sale of bee plants and Bee Books Group photograph.

Afternoon Session

14.00-15.00 **"The 'sweet tooth' of the honeybee"**

15.00-15.30 **Dr. Geraldine Wright** Chair _____

15.30-16.00 **"Tricks of the Trade"**

16.00-17.00 **Informal ideas and contributions from the audience** Chair _____

15.30-16.00

Tea break

Judging the honey label competition

17.00-17.30 **"Beekeeping in my father's time"**

17.30-17.45 **Philip McCabe** Chair _____

17.00-17.30 **General Discussion** Chair _____

17.30-17.45

Raffle

17.45 **Closing Address**

SUNDAY, Venue; Satley Village Hall, DL13 4HU

09.30-16.30 **"Candles and Cosmetics workshop"**

Mrs. Liz O'Neil

Thank you for coming. We do hope you have enjoyed your time with us.
Have a safe journey home.

We look forward to seeing you again next year.
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