BWARS AGM Programme 27th - 28th September 2014

Venue: Oxford University Museum of Natural History, Parks Rd, Oxford OX1 3PW

Saturday 27th September - Workshops (Places limited to advance bookings only 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 16.30 George Else/Mike Edwards Testing the new Bombus key (which uses structural features rather than colour)
- 14.30 15.15 Tea break
- 15.15 16.30 Mike Archer An illustrated introduction to the Dryinidae with a key to the genera. Please bring any Dryinidae you have for help with identification.
- 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 identification throughout the afternoon. We ask that members are considerate of the workshops being held during this time.

Evening meal – t.b.a.

If you wish to attend but have not booked please contact Louise Hislop louisehislop@talktalk.net

Sunday 28th 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 2013 AGM

These have been circulated in the Autumn 2013 Newsletter.

4. Matters arising from 2013 minutes

5. Officers' reports

- 1. Chairman Stuart Roberts
- 2. Treasurer/Membership Secretary Dave Budworth

6. Election of Officers for 2014 (Term of office 4 years)

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 – Dave Budworth

Secretary – (Louise Hislop resigning)

Enquiries Secretary – Scotty Dodd

7. Election of Ordinary Members (Term of office 3 years)

Andrew Philpott comes to the end of his term (but does not need replacing, as we have 4 continuing Ordinary Members). Continuing Committee members are Matt Smith, Robert Day, Thomas Wood and Paul Davison.

8. **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 20th September, so that it can be added to the agenda.

11.30 Coffee break

Talks/Presentations:

- 12.00 Thomas Wood The effect of environmental stewardship on farmland aculeate communites
- 12.30 Lunch
- 13.30 Nick Isaac Assessing long-term trends in populations using BWARS data
- 14.00 Claire Carvell A National Pollinator and Pollination Monitoring Scheme a Role for BWARS
- 14.30 Members' slides
- 15.00 Steve Woodward Bradgate Park Leicestershire's aculeate hot-spot
- 15.30 Close of meeting