



Dear Friends,

Today our World Bee Day celebrations begin! We hope you have been able to register and invite a friend for some of the amazing lectures this week ... culminating with the great WBD Quiz Night with John Foley on Friday night! Tonight at 7pm we have the treat of hearing from Prof. Phil Stevenson FRES from Royal Botanic Gardens. Sign in today!

Join the Prof. Phil Stevenson Lecture tonight!

Farmer-Beekeepers on Crutches



Bees Abroad Partnership Manager, Neil Brent is currently in Sierra Leone where he is visiting this fantastic group of “Farmers on Crutches.” This week our Bees Abroad blog focuses on this amazing project which is being promoted for our World Bee Day Celebrations!

This single-leg amputee farming community are enthusiastic and excited to become beekeepers and this World Bee Day, we want to help them achieve this! They are keen to integrate beekeeping into the farming training which they are already involved in. Watch the video on the blog to see them in action!

These farmers have suffered leg amputations during the Sierra Leone civil war. Bees Abroad is working with Sierra Leone Amputee Sports Association and Sierra Leone Permaculture & Agro-ecological Farm to provide beekeeping training in conjunction with sustainable farming.

The group are now placing their first ten hives at their farm and the project will begin with a two week internship for three potential trainers during honey harvest. Key to the project's success is working through the issues they need to address in order to teach safe methods of beekeeping for people with one leg. When all is set and ready, the plan will be to start training the first 15 to 20 trainees at the Farmers on Crutches Farm.

Please consider supporting this life-changing project!

Support the Sierra Leone Beekeepers on Crutches this World Bee Day

Visit the Bees Abroad Blog

We are delighted to hear about the ways people are celebrating World Bee Day this year with us and choosing to support different Bees Abroad beekeeping projects! You can add your support today on the Bees Abroad World Bee Day webpage! Thank you!



Visit the World Bee Day Webpage for more on how you can support projects, attend events and enter the Prize Draw!



