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Beekeepers of Volusia County Florida

Newsletter, August 2015

Club Meeting Participation

In order to have an active and vibrant club we need the participation of members. In past meetings people have stepped forward and given demonstrations on a beekeeper's toolbox, top bar hive, beeswax lotion, portable honey spinner and other topics. These are examples of the type of meetings we would like, but we want to have more of them.

If you are uncomfortable giving a presentation by yourself then work with other members to make it happen

There are a wide variety of subjects that would benefit the club. Other possibilities may be to invite guest speakers; add educational films onto the end of the agenda. Or club meetings or demonstrations at other sites

Please approach one of the club officers to volunteer or offer suggestions.

Need Help? Call a Mentor!

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Events of Interest to Beekeepers

Volusia County Beekeepers Meeting
August 26, 2015, Fourth Wednesday
6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
Volusia County Fairgrounds

Volusia County Beekeepers Meeting
September 23, 2015, Fourth Wednesday
6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
Volusia County Fairgrounds

Volusia County Fair & Youth Show
November 5 - 15, 2015
Club has booth maned by member volunteers

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Beekeepers of Volusia County, Florida

Meeting Agenda August 26, 2015

Call to order and welcome
Mike Hays

Welcome new members

Approve July 22, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Treasurer's Report—Ron Kull

Old Business:

1. Bee club inventory
2. Foot locker storage
3. Ag Center Club Hives
4. Volunteer needed to build back lit shelf for Fair honey display

New Business:

Honey discussion - Mike Hays

Refreshments & Social Interaction

Open Forum/Beekeeping Questions

Adjourn

Beekeepers of Volusia County Club Meeting
Minutes of 07/22/15

Called to order by Master Beekeeper Vice president Marlin Athearn @ 6:31pm.

47 in attendance.

Donna Athearn gave a presentation of making beeswax lotion.

Old business: The Club will be compiling an inventory of Club property. Mike Hays will ask the Extension Services about putting a locker in the club meeting room to store club property. Contact Mike if you'd like to help.

Old business: The Club is discussing supplying and/or managing a hive at the Volusia County Agricultural Center.

Jim Pescha demonstrated a Kenya Top Bar hive.

Marlin discussed other options & ways of Top Bar Hives.

The Volusia County Fair & Youth Show is November 5-15, 2015. The Club has a booth, manned by club volunteers.

The September (09/23/15) club meeting will be a chance for members to learn about how to get honey bee product entries ready for the fair.

A volunteer is needed to build a back lit shelf to display jars of honey at the fair booth.

A portable honey spinner was demonstrated by John Dombrosky.

www.volusiabeekeepers.org is the official club website; members can advertise beekeeping items or services.

The next Club meeting is Wed 08/26/15 @ 6:30pm.

Adjourned 7:48 pm

Submitted Donna Balo, secretary

Beekeeping DVD Library

Swarm Boxes

Requeening & Colony Division

Free Bees for you

The Magic of Mead

Bee Removal

Keeping Bees & Producing Honey

Introduction to Beekeeping

Beekeeping Classes, 101, 102, 103

Contact the Club Secretary, Donna Balo, 386-738-1954 for details