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EJ'S NEWS

EJ is East Jefferson Beekeepers Association's Mascot.

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CLUB MEETING

August 15th

held at

Jefferson County Library

Board Meeting

9:00 a.m.

Club Meeting

9:30 a.m.

E.J.Bees' Club PROGRAM

Because of the county fair on the second weekend, our meeting will be held on the Third Saturday...August 15th.

Topic will be:

“Ways to control mites in your hives”
Since the health of your bees is especially important as we prepare our hives for the winter season, we feel it is important to present the options we have as conscientious beekeepers.

Included in this topic will be:

Why Treat for Mites

Testing and Treating for Varroa

(including the newest method...Oxalic Acid)

(spray and vapor)

2015

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

President: Tony Goldenberg

Vice President: Diane Ginther

Secretary: David Morris

Treasurer: Harry Prather

TRUSTEES

Frank Neal

Dan Lockhart

Linda Pfafman

Ej bees' workers

These people have volunteered to head committees:

APPRENTICE CLASSES: Harry Prather

NEWSLETTER: Gloria Neal

MEDIA CONTACT: Bonnie Osmer

WEBSITE: Mike Edwards

MEETING AND ACTIVITY

CO-ORDINATORS:

Tony Goldenberg, Harry Prather,
and Gloria Neal

MEETING CONVENER: Kees Kloff

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

EJ Beekeepers...

Well, it's hard to believe we're nearing the end of our major honey flow season. I'm sure hoping that the "girls" have been able to find some flowers that are still producing nectar. I'm anxious to peak in those honey supers, again, to see if the "girls" have been able to put away any extra honey for us.

This month's club meeting is going to focus on the mite problems and different methods to treat our colonies so we can knock down the mite population before winter. You won't want to miss this meeting!

Our thanks to Lori Humphrey for her work in setting up the EJ bee exhibit at the Chimacum Café. It takes a lot of time gathering honey bee items and setting them up so people can be educated about honey bees and our club! Thanks Lori!!

Thanks also to the Chimacum Café for allowing us to advertise our club there! And beekeepers, lets support the Café as our thank you to them for allowing us to occupy their display shelf!!

Well, that's the buzz for August!

Gloria

WSU DIAGNOSTIC LAB WEBSITE

entomology.wsu.edu/apis/diagnostic-lab/

BUZZ WORTHY PLANTS FOR AUGUST...



Lemon Balm

Basil

Clover

Anise Hyssop →

Echinacea

Bee Balm

Salvia

Rudbekia



CLUB DUES FOR 2015

DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR CLUB MEMBERSHIP WITH EAST JEFFERSON BEES,
IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY
DONE IT.

AUGUST'S HONEY-DO LIST

For the Apiary

We are nearing the time when most of us are going to be removing our honey supers and will be medicating for mites so our winter colonies will emerge strong and be healthy enough to make it thru the winter months!

Giving your bees a good water source close by as we go through these months of very little rain is a good idea. They need that water to help cool the colony along with keeping the colony hydrated. They will be more apt to leave your neighbors kiddy pool or dog dishes alone. Be sure to place some rocks for them to land on, so they aren't falling in and drowning. We use boardman feeders at the entrances so our "girls" don't have to leave the hive in order to carry back that much needed water!

If you see a curtain of bees on the front of your hive on a warm day, this is normal...they are just cooling the hive or themselves.

If you have just started a honey bee colony this year, continue to feed your bees until they have drawn out the second story brood box, and have ample food supplies.

Interesting Blog

by Chris Beeson on "SHOW ME THE HONEY"

WHY I'M GOING TO START TREATING THIS YEAR

Go to the internet and check this website out.

AUGUST RECIPE



COOL SUMMER FRUIT SALAD

- 1 cup watermelon balls
- 1 cup cantaloupe balls
- 1 cup honeydew balls
- ¼ cup honey
- Juice of 1 lemon
- ½ cup whipped cream
- 1 banana sliced

Cut melon balls with ball cutter or cube the fruit.

Sprinkle with lemon juice, then honey and chill.

Whip cream and fold into fruit just before serving.

Slice banana and fold in.

ENJOY!!



BUZZING WITH



Blake

Bee-lieve me. It's a fact!

Varroa mites can cause scattered brood, crippled and crawling honey bees, less healthy bees in a hive, supersedure of queens and the death of a hive!.....

distur-BEE-ing Blake



LOCAL BEE RESOURCES

TARBOO VALLEY WOODEN WARE- Ph. # 360-301-0686

All 8 frame woodenware

20% off marked price.

Remember, Club members get 5% discount.

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