

Beezette

November, 2022



Warren County Ohio Beekeepers
Meeting at Lebanon Presbyterian Church
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NEXT MEETING:

Our next meeting is **Sunday November 13, 2022** at 1:30, and will meet at the Lebanon Presbyterian Church. Be sure to get a door prize ticket at the sign-in table. Also please verify your email address on the sign-in to insure you receive notifications from the club.

The topic for the November meeting: Winter Feeding for Bees, presented by Mr. Gary Keuffer, the Director of Education from the Brown County Beekeepers Association. Gary has been beekeeping since 1985.

OCTOBER MEETING:

Special thanks to Mr. Paul Dorger, past President of WCOB, for his presentation on "How to Treat Varroa Mites via IPM (Integrated Pest Management) in Southwestern Ohio. Also for his supporting information provided to our club through the Beezette.

MEMBERSHIP

- New members can apply at WarrenCountyOhioBeekeepers.org.
- If you have not done so already, renew your WCOB membership now for 2022. Member dues remain the same at \$20/individual and \$25/family. Registration is online. Fill out the form at: www.warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org/membership-application-or-renewal. Payments are made via PayPal, but a PayPal account is NOT required.

CLUB NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES

- **WEBSITE: Again Fully Functional**
The WCOB website has been hosted by Ohio State Beekeepers Association (OSBA) for the last few years. OSBA moved all of their data from one server to another in 2020 or 2021. However, the WCOB website was not moved off the old server. When the old server was eventually turned off, the website

warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org was lost. After discussion with OSBA it became apparent that there was no easy fix so WCOB created a new website on GoDaddy. There were some items on the old website that could not be recreated however. In October OSBA agreed to contract to have the old website transferred over to their new server. We now have a fully functioning website with all of our old data, pictures, etc. Many thanks to the OSBA staff and to our **Webmaster, Rose DeJarnette**, for their tireless efforts in keeping our website operational.

- Club members with a minimum of three years of beekeeping experience looking to mentor are welcome to fill out a Mentor Form on the club website.
- For members looking for mentors, Go to www.warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org/mentors.
- Calling bee enthusiasts, many hands make light work; please consider getting involved with the club in a volunteer position. A great way to learn and share bee experiences.
- See the October Beezette for the Honey Extractor Rental process, and the latest published club financial statements.
- Below are the club positions and partial responsibilities. President and Vice-President are open for election at the December club meeting.

President – Convenes and presides over the meetings

Vice President – Functions in the absence of the president or at his/her request

Secretary – Keeps records and minutes of the meetings. Distributes meeting announcements

Treasurer – Keeps financial records, processes receipts and disbursements, reports at meetings.

CONTRIBUTING THOUGHTS FROM CURRENT PRESIDENT, GEOFF HULTGREN:

Hello fellow beekeepers!

The holidays are approaching fast, and I want to take this opportunity to tell you all how proud I am of our Warren County Ohio Beekeepers. Our club is active and robust because of our volunteers. The December meeting will be our annual Christmas Party and elections for our club officers. I want to encourage our membership to run for one of the club's officer positions. Many of our current officers are term limited and their positions must be filled. I am term limited, so the club president is one of those offices that needs to be filled. As president, I spend about two – three hours a month on club business. Besides the monthly meeting, club officers usually convene for an informal business meeting after the club's general meeting. The president assists other officers in any way needed for the smooth operation of the club. I have found that the busiest time of the

year for the club president is around December and January this is because of planning of our annual Beginner Beekeeping School. The really remarkable thing about being the president of an all-volunteer organization is there are always people ready and willing to help and answer any questions . If you are considering running for any office of the bee club (and I hope you are!) Please feel free to ask any officer. Please consider running for a club office so our club can continue our mission of educating beekeepers and community outreach.

Geoff

Do you have an announcement to include in the Beezette, or a topic you'd like to hear covered at one of our meetings? Do you have ideas to benefit our club members and our bees? Let us know at the next meeting, or reach out to warrencountyohiobeekeepers@gmail.com or find us on FB.

