

Beezette

June, 2022



Warren County Ohio Beekeepers
Meeting at Lebanon Presbyterian Church
123 East Street, Lebanon, OH 45036

www.warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1769801953287281/>

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting is **Sunday June 12, 2022** and will meet at **Caesar's Creek Nature Center 3999 Pioneer Village Road, Waynesville, Ohio 45068 at the observation hive**. This is an outdoor event subject to weather conditions. You will be working with real bees and a real hive, so dress appropriately. Keep a watch on the website for possible changes.

Hive Inspection will be presented by Geoff Hultgren. Evaluating Your Queen will be presented by George Anderson.

Door Prize: Our June doorprize for club members attending the June meeting at Caesar's Creek Nature Center is a drawing for a nuc, compliments of the WCOB Club.

MEMBERSHIP

- 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 <https://warrencountybeekeepers.org/join-us-2/>. Payments are made via PayPal, but a PayPal account is NOT required.
- If you are not already on our email list and would like to receive notifications from the club, please subscribe to "Meeting Reminders and Important Information Notifications" on the website.

FROM OUR PRESIDENT, GEOFF HULTGREN

Hello fellow beekeepers!

Now that June is here, your established colonies should be booming. If you are just starting your nucs or packages should be arriving soon, if you don't have them already.

I will be speaking at our June meeting same time, different location. We will be meeting at Caesar's Creek for an open hive demonstration. I will be demonstrating a sugar shake to monitor for Varroa Mites, and also a short hive inspection. The hive is behind Pioneer Village, across from the Nature Center. Park in the overflow parking area. Bring whatever protective equipment you are comfortable with, a folding chair, foot wear that you can walk in, and water. It will probably be VERY hot especially with protective equipment on, so water is important. I hope to see everyone at the park! Pioneer Village is located at [3999 Pioneer Village Rd.](#)

[Waynesville, OH. 45068](#)

In closing, I would like to thank the people who work very hard to keep our club running smoothly. Our Vice President, Bea Woodall schedules the speakers and

presentations and many other tasks. Our Treasurer Alan DeJarnette not only keeps meticulous financial records, but maintains our connection as an OSBA Affiliate club. I cannot say enough about our media team Secretary Pat Miller who keeps the business meeting notes (and thus on point) and brings us the Beezette. Rose DeJarnette who keeps our social media sites up and running. The club officers are truly blessed to get advice from Keith Mealy, our past treasurer and Paul Dorger our past president secretary and librarian.

Our Business Meeting is usually right after the regular meeting, and all are welcome. (There will be no Business Meeting in June)

Geoff

CONTRIBUTING THOUGHTS FROM PAUL DORGER:

Spring Beekeeping - Part 3

Due to the above average rainfall this spring, bee swarms are running a little later than normal. Preventing your bees from swarming is one of the beekeeper's main challenges. Conversely, catching a swarm is a bonus. Tom Seeley, a professor at Cornell University, has studied bees his entire life. His books, lectures and interviews are excellent. Below is a series of several videos on swarming that I recommend. Total viewing time is 20 minutes approximately..

1) **Why Honey Bees Swarm** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lk2GUiK8veE&list=PLL73o4oZrTx6AYrTRI5acH6yvhlL-Ut00&index=1>

2) **Waggle Dance Communication** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WmLEiSG1uHc&list=PLL73o4oZrTx6AYrTRI5acH6yvhlL-Ut00&index=2> 3)

Wagging With Enthusiasm to

Recruit<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vgaDagiUh8&list=PLL73o4oZrTx6AYrTRI5acH6yvhlL-Ut00&index=3>

4) **Pipers & Buzz Runners**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yJcoFUvTihc&list=PLL73o4oZrTx6AYrTRI5acH6yvhlL-Ut00&index=4> 5) **Gone in 60**

Seconds

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7nPxSSooJQw&list=PLL73o4oZrTx6AYrTRI5acH6yvhlL-Ut00&index=5>

6) **Remarkable Scout Bees Direct the Traffic**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hpt235doHZY&list=PLL73o4oZrTx6AYrTRI5acH6yvhlL-Ut00&index=6>

7) **Mission Aborted**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RKeP58x2XrM&list=PLL73o4oZrTx6AYrTRI5acH6yvhlL-Ut00&index=7>

8) **Warm & Fuzzy**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0IAPP5geVA4&list=PLL73o4oZrTx6AYrTRI5acH6yvhlL-Ut00&index=8>

9) **Wax Sixpacks**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B931X3-kW54&list=PLL73o4oZrTx6AYrTRI5acH6yvhlL-Ut00&index=9>

10) Gentle Bees <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OC83mfsCCxk&list=PLL73o4oZrTx6AYrTRI5acH6yvvhIL-Ut00&index=10>

CLUB NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES

- 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.
- Mentors are available to help new beekeepers. You can reach out by:
- Inquiring at the monthly meeting.
- Go-to->www.warrencountybeekeepers.org. Welcome->Contact Us
- Go-To->www.warrencountybeekeepers.org Members->Scroll down to Mentors Map
- There is also a “FACEBOOK: FOLLOW THE BEE’ link on this site.
- Email to->WarrenCountyOhioBeekeepers@gmail.com
- If you are a new member or someone looking for help to our website, please ask one of the officers at the next meeting, or email: warrencountyohiobeekeepers@gmail.com
- Calling bee enthusiasts, many hands make light work, please consider getting involved with the club. A great way to learn and share bee experiences.
- Mark your calendars: the September meeting is a picnic! A great way to give and get bee experience. More information to come.
- **Bees/Hives for sale:** Bees wintered well with great production. Hives could be left until late Fall if desired, or moved immediately. Supers have been added twice this spring. Some new/used products available also for sale. If interested, contact Joyce in Lebanon at 937-681-3209.
- Apiary Registration information with the Ohio Department of Agriculture is available at <https://agri.ohio.gov/apiary>
- Here are a few additional learning opportunities to view:
 - o Ohio State Beekeepers Association: www.ohiostatebeekeepers.com o
Brown County Beekeepers Association:
<http://browncountybeekeepersassociation.org/>
 - o Bee Friendly Backyard Conservation: <https://bramlettresidential.com/blog/supporting-bee-conservation-at-home/>
 - o Roundup Alternative: <http://www.consumernotice.org/environmental/pesticides/roundup/alternatives>

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.

