

Beezette

August, 2023

Warren County Ohio Beekeepers

Meeting at Lebanon Presbyterian Church

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NEXT MEETING: August 13, 2023

Our next meeting is Sunday, August 13, 2023 at 1:30, and will meet at the Lebanon Presbyterian Church, 123 N. East Street, Lebanon, Ohio.

Four Guest speakers are presenting, one each at a round table. They will provide a 5 minute talk on the subject listed below, and the remaining 10 minutes are for questions/conversation from club members.

When time is called, the Guest Speakers will move to the next table This rotation continues until the guests have talked at all four tables; a total of one hour.

Our Speakers are:

Mike Hutchinson - Mentoring.

George Anderson - Queen evaluation before winter.

Paul Dorger - Beekeeping Lessons from Brother Adam at Buckfast Abbey.

John Favaron - Varroa and pest management.

What To Do In The Month Ahead:

The four speakers will move to one long table and address "What to do in the Month Ahead" for 5 minutes each. After this is completed, questions from club members will be addressed.

The room at the Presbyterian Church used for our Christmas Party will be our meeting place for this meeting.

Bios:

Mike Hutchinson is a seasoned, experienced beekeeper for 24 years, and a longtime WCOB club member. He is also a member of the Greater Grand Lake Beekeepers Association.

George Anderson:

Beekeeping since 1974, George began breeding queen bees and honeybees for honey production and sale of colonies in 2013. He currently manages over one hundred hives and over winters more than 50 nucs. By sharing his knowledge, his goal is to make a positive impact on our beekeeping community.

Paul Dorger: Paul has been a beekeeper since 2010. He sells locally raised Nucs in the spring, and is our current WCOB Club President. Paul also served as Club President in 2019 and 2020.

John Favaron: John has been keeping bees for about 11 years. He previously served as the Warren County Ohio Beekeepers Club president and is a current member. He now works with 4H, Farm Bureau and Warren County Garden Club. john.favaron2112@gmail.com

At the July Meeting:

George Anderson opened a hive and performed varroa testing on new and forager bees. Thanks to our club Vice-President, Beatriz Woodall for welcoming us to the Hollingsworth Farm and sharing her bees for our meeting and learning experience.



Our club expert for “What To Do in the Month Ahead” was Keith Mealy, with his custom designed solar wax melter.



Save the date - The annual WCOB picnic will be held at Armco Park shelter #9 on September 10, 2023. Make plans now to attend and socialize with like minded bee enthusiasts. Patty and Wayne Siebert have volunteered to coordinate the event.

MEMBERSHIP

- Warren County Ohio Beekeepers welcome 2 new members joining in July: David Hulsmeyer and Donald Kamps.
- Membership dues are due on January 1st of each year. If you have not done so already, renew your WCOB membership now for 2023. Member dues remain the same at \$20/individual and \$25/family. Registration is online. Fill out the form at: <https://warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org/join-or-renew-with-paypal/>. Payments are made via PayPal, **but a PayPal account is NOT required.**

HONEY EXTRACTOR RENTAL

Warren County Ohio Beekeepers has a honey extractor that can be rented by members for \$5.00 per day. Any questions or comments should be directed to wcobeetreasurer@gmail.com.

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.
- 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. Send an email with your comments or questions to info@warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org
- A more complete list of responsibilities for our board positions is documented and posted on the WCOB website under “Members” at www.warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org/members/officer-job-responsibilities/

WCOB Club Officers:

President Paul Dorger
Vice President Beatriz Woodall
Treasurer Alan DeJarnette
Web Manager..... Rose DeJarnette
Director of Education Currently an open position.
Secretary Pat Miller

- WCOB Business meetings are scheduled via Zoom on the second Wednesday of most months from 7:00-8:20p.m.
- Digistitch and Rose DeJarnette have completed access to the WCOB website for ordering clothing with our club logo. Go to our website warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org, then click on Members/WCOB LogoWearlogo-wear/See www.companycasuals.com/WCOB to purchase your selections online.
- Thanks to Mike Hutchinson, Bernie Younkman and John Favaron (pictured below left to right) for their support at the Warren County Fair this year with an observation hive, and shared knowledge, experience and information. Your volunteer time is greatly appreciated.



- **Referenced from “Beekeeping for dummies by Howland Blackiston from the Beekeeping Calendar for August:**
- Add supers for surplus honey.
- Harvest honey
- Test for varroa mites
- Treat for varroa mites
- Treat for tracheal mites

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 info@warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org.

