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HIVETALK

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2015 Calendar

July 20:

-ACBA Annual Picnic Mountain View Park, in Cllinton 6pm

August 17:

 Preparing Hives for Fall & Winter, Andy Morgan/Carl Barnett
 Next in the Hive: What are Varroa Mites, Michael Wilson
 Clinton Community Center. 7-9pm

Sept 11 & 12:

-TN Valley Fair Chilhowee Park, Knoxville, TN

Sept. 21st:

- "State of the Bee Address,

Mike Studert

- Next in the Hive: What is Propalis,

Rick Lowden

Clinton Community Center. 7-9pm

Late Summer Management Tasks!

- Check hives thoroughly for diseases, mites and insect pests, e.g. hive beetles. If necessary apply appropriate treatment(s). Beginning of August is a good time to treat for Varroa and tracheal mites.
- Consolidate frames in supers that may have some empty space for storage of fall nectar flow. Partially filled supers can be rearranged with empty frames in the center and the filled and capped frames on the outside.
- It's been hot and it's been the dearth period for most of us. Check hives for food stores. You might want to begin feeding, especially if the fall flow is minimal. No starving hives this winter please!
- Empty supers should be cleaned and stored under fumigation (Paradichlorobenzene or "moth crystals") before the moths find them.
- Good time to inspect wood-ware! Replace, repair, and repaint if necessary. Give your bees a sturdy home for winter.
- If you collected sourwood honey, extract and clean those supers!

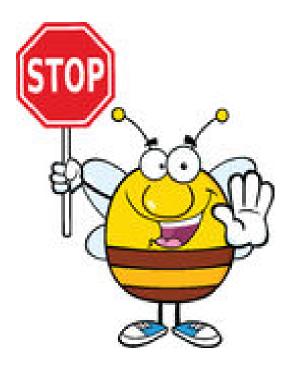


Interesting News?

Have you come across something interesting to share with other members? Are you doing something different in your apiary that others might find interesting? Have you taken an exciting or artistic photograph of bees in action?

Please send me anything you might like to add to the newsletter.

E-mail to: cmfredette@gmail.com



NOW.... A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT....

From The President...

It seems that we have had a good honey year here at Mariner Point. We were finally able to beat the rain and get into the bees to pull the honey supers. The girls were not happy about that at all. We put top feeders on filled with syrup to appease them for now. My parents and oldest brother drove from PA to help extract and learn how it's done. It was great to have the extra help!

I am pleased to say that our fair display took not only first place this year, but Best of Show as well. A special thanks goes out to Rick, Don, Neranza, Tex, and Charles for helping with design, set-up, and adding the finishing touches to the display. I hope you all had a chance to stop by our exhibit and say hello to the club volunteers! We have a great club and I am thankful for all of you.

Congratulations to Kris Christen and Bill Graves. Kris' honey won first place and Best of Show while Bill's comb honey won a first place ribbon. Rick and I placed 2nd and 3rd with honey from Erin's Meadow and our apiary at Mariner Point. I want to thank Lynda Rizzardi for coming out to judge for us this year.

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On a sad note....Long time member and beekeeper Odra Turner died on Sunday, July 12th. Many of you may remember the picture we have that shows Odra standing beside his hive with 17 honey supers. We will certainly miss him. Please keep his wife and son in your prayers.

Bob McIntyre is on the road to recovery. Many of you know that Bob fell earlier in the year and has been through months of rehab and recovery only to suffer a second head injury due to another fall a few weeks ago. His wife reports that he is doing well. Hope to see you at a club meeting soon Bob!

Our annual picnic will be held this coming Monday, July 20th, 6 PM, at Mountain View Park in Clinton. The club will provide chicken and beverages. Please bring a side to share! **Let me know if you plan to attend so I know how much chicken to prepare.** Hope to see you there!

Cathy



YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS ONE!

Monday, July 20th
At 6pm will be ACBA annual picnic. The picnic we be at the Mountain View Park in Clinton. (Please let Cathy know if you will be attending)......

Pichic Time





Check This Out!!!!

Here are some really cool things to check out:

The Wilson family has quite the students! Their science projects are incredible. Go to the following sites to see their hard work. You'll be glad you did!

Jonas Wilson, 5th grade http://rosecombapiaries.com/2015/07/science-fair-pollen-power/

Summer Wilson, 3rd grade http://rosecombapiaries.com/2015/07/science-fair-in-and-out-bees/

Science Fair: Pollen Power!





Science Fair: In and Out

Bees

LAST MEETING

The pictures tell it all.....







