

ECWBA Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2018

Location: Green Lake Caestecker Library, downstairs

Meeting called to order by Gerard Schubert at 9:30

Attendance: 14

Visiting: 0

New Members: 0

Upcoming Dates and Events

- World Bee Day May 20, 2018 - FIRST EVER
- Pollinator Week June 18-24
- National Honey Bee day Aug 18th
- D's Bees Field Day July 7th 10am rain or shine
- Green Lake County Fair Aug 2-5
- Next Meeting is our Field Day at the Meadery, June 23rd 9:30am
 - See the extractor
 - Visit the club hives

Old Business

- Walleye Weekend June 8-11
 - Sign up sheet for volunteering was made available
 - There are more spots, please email Gerard and include your address for your free parking pass
 - FREE entrance into Walleye Weekend and FREE Parking
 - Fri 3-6
 - Sat 9-6
 - Knowledge Quest 12-2
 - Sun 10-6
 - 40th Anniversary this year
- June Dairy Days Parade June 9th 7pm, looking for walkers. Contact Patti 229-8959
- Markesan Public Library Presentation Thank You from Lucy
- Barlow Park and Journey Presentation Thank You cards from the kids
- Backdrop made by Paul
 - Very nice table top display
 - Supplies were \$113, Paid him \$150
- Club Hives
 - Pam has been checking on them
 - About ready for the second deep
 - Buckfast Bees from Heritage Honeybee

New Business

- June Cole is interested in doing a presentation on Bee Venom Therapy
 - Possibly Fall or Winter Meeting

Treasurer Report

Checking	288.26
Savings	<u>1732.19</u>
Account Balance	2020.45

Hive Concerns

- If bees are all on the top, do a hive reversal (put bottom hive on top)
- Look crowded, do a hive split (take bees and new eggs and put in new hive or nuc)
- Watch for swarm cells (Queen cells on the bottom of the frames), add a super or do a split



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- Supersedure cells (Queen cells in the middle of the frames), they are making a new queen



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- Too much nectar and not enough brood, replace the queen
- No new eggs, the queen is gone
- Two or more eggs in a cell, laying worker
- Treat for mites
 - Formic Acid - kills mites in the brood cells and out of the cells
 - MAQS (Mite Away Quick Strips) Pad, one pad for each hive body laid on top
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EcFsUvPUAsY>
 - Oxalic Acid - kills mites not in brood, need to retreat 3 weeks in a row for new hatched ones or when the hive is broodless
 - Vapor
 - ¼ tsp per brood box put in vaporizer cup
 - Stick vaporizer into entrance
 - Close all openings with towel, foam, tape
 - Turn vaporizer on for 3 min
 - Pull out vaporizer and reseal let sit for 10 min
 - Open hive back up
 - Drip
 - 35g of acid to liter of 1:1 sugar water
 - 5ml on each seam of bees (seam, cannot see down between the frames)
 - Spray New Packages
 - Feed 1:1 sugar water and spray on new package of bees
 - Wait 2 hours for them to lick it off, spray again with 35g of acid to liter of 1:1 sugar water while shaking package down to break up cluster

New Package - Frame Layout for Install

- Honey frames to the outside
- Empty or old brood frames in the center for brood laying

Facebook Page

www.facebook.com/ecwbeekeepers

@ecwbeekeepers

Club Website

ecwba.weebly.com

Club Blog

<http://ourbeeblog.blogspot.com/>

Patti showed a slideshow that she created that shows honeybee diseases and pests.

Link to slideshow

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1pAAOOGDe1fIQkLKLSCzfSeYKpFW_cqzopbzKsmmx7hE/edit?usp=sharing

Info obtained from PennState Extension

<https://extension.psu.edu/a-quick-reference-guide-to-honey-bee-parasites-pests-predators-and-diseases>

\$10 Membership Dues

- Mail to Patti Ingram, 724 Congress St., Ripon, WI 54971
- PayPal to Patti Ingram, 920-229-8959, include name and email in Note section

Next Meeting June 23rd, Rushford Meadery and Winery, 8389 Liberty School Rd, Omro, WI 9:30am

Meeting Adjourned 11:30

Mary brought cookies