

BEGINNER

BEEKEEPING

3 PART CLASS



PART 1 & 2 - CLASSROOM FEBRUARY 3, 2018

location: Fond du Lac SKYPORT
260 S Rolling Meadows Dr
check-in: 8:30 am
class part one: 9 - 12
lunch break (on your own) 12 - 1
class part two: 1 - 3

PART 3 - FIELD DAY JULY 7, 2018

location: d'sbees apiary
N7928 cty rd WH, Fond du Lac
check-in: 10:00 am
introductions/group: 10:30 - 11:30
field: 11:30 - ?
Rain or Shine!

TUITION: \$70/each or \$50*/additional person

REGISTRATION DUE BY: JANUARY 31 | CLASS IS LIMITED TO 20 PEOPLE!

This class WILL QUALIFY toward the educational component of the Fond du Lac City Beekeeping Permit.

What's INCLUDED?

- 7 + hours of CLASSROOM education and 3 ++ hours of FIELD DAY
- INVALUABLE PLETHORA of REFERENCE MATERIALS: handouts, equipment catalogs, resources, & information to start your journey
- MEMBERSHIP COUPON for the East Central Wisconsin Beekeepers Association
- Coffee & Tea on-site (classroom)
- BEEKEEPING FOR DUMMIES book *available online or the day of class \$15*

* additional person will not receive their own reference materials, they will share with the primary person

Classes are held at these times - so that beginners have enough time to order equipment and bees and START. (most bees arrive ~ May)
The field day is a FANTASTIC opportunity to come back mid-summer and check your status, ASK QUESTIONS and get some HANDS ON with the *Wisconsin State Bee Inspector!*

PART ONE: SOFTWARE - FEBRUARY 3 classroom morning

- BEES: biology, lifecycle, queens, breeds
- THE HIVE (THE BEES) - functions of the hive
- Products of the hive - honey, wax, propolis, etc
- ORDERING BEES - packages, nucs, etc - making choices

PART TWO: HARDWARE - FEBRUARY 3 classroom afternoon

- Beekeeping equipment, tools, materials
- THE HIVE (THE BOX) - frames - making choices
- Putting the bees into the boxes (installation)
- Starting, The growth of the hive, expectations
- Getting to know the bees, detecting problems
- An entire LANGSTROTH hive will be demonstrated

PART THREE: FIELD DAY - JULY 7 dsbees apiary rain or shine

- Your "experiences" so far (even if you didn't start)
- Expectations/assessments - the development/health of your hive
- Addressing issues, Looking to year #2 & Getting ready for winter
- **YOUR OWN PROTECTIVE GEAR IS REQUIRED**, bring smoker & hive tool
- THE WISCONSIN STATE BEE INSPECTOR will be on-site!

REGISTER & PAY ON-LINE! www.dsbees.com or call: 920-922-7487