



Welcome To The

April 12, 2022

Monthly Meeting

of the

Wake County

Beekeepers Association



*******Tonight's Agenda*******

Workshop: Testing and treating for varroa mites
Gordon Goeking

Greetings from Vice President **Jim Blye**

Old Business/New Business/Announcements

Creating a Profitable Beekeeping Business
Steve and Shannon Baxter
of Baxter's Bees

Wrap up



***** Treasurer's Report ***** . Susan Benton

Balance as of February 28:

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| Current Balance | \$23,214.69 |
| Bank Balance | \$23,174.69 |
| Petty Cash | \$ 40.00 |

Deposits since last month:

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| From memberships through the website: | \$ 1,821.00 |
| From cash or check deposited in March | \$ 0.00 |

Expenses since last month:

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| Merch Svc Bkcrd Fees for January | \$ 76.31 |
| NCSBA for memberships | \$ 1,335.00 |

Cash and Checks on hand not deposited: \$86.36



***** Secretary report ***** Gordon Goeking

2022 Membership

- **Current: 360 members (paid)**
4 additional members (not paid)
- **Renew at website**



New WCBA website transition complete

<https://wakecountybeekeepers.org>



Swarm Team Update

- March we had 19 reported swarms.
 - Three were cut out/ extractions.
 - Zone 5 the inner beltline region had the most action with six reported swarms.
 - Highlight: Chris Hagwood took a swarm call and captured a small swarm the size of his hand.
- Reminder to all swarm team members to look out for calls from Captains.
- Helpful tip: add Swarm Captain to your contact list.
- April already looks very eventful, happy swarm catching!



Help Wanted

WCBA Speakers group

<https://tinyurl.com/wcba-speakers-22>

Event Coordinators and committee members:

- **BugFest (Mid September)**
- **State Fair Display Booth (October)**



Upcoming Events

May 15 – First Hands on the Hive
Historic Oak View County Park
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Practical and written certified tests are given at hands on the hive events.

<http://wakecountybeekeepers.org/events>



2022 WCBA Meeting Dates

*2nd Tuesday of Each Month
7:00 PM social time & beginner workshops
Meeting starts at 7:30 PM*

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| May 10 | Wake County Commons |
| June 7 | Wake County Commons |
| July 12 | Wake County Commons |
| August 9 | Wake County Commons |
| September | Wake County Commons |
| October 11 | Wake County Commons |
| November 8 | Pullen Park? |
| December 13 | Wake County Commons |



Introduction to Honey Bees and Beekeeping

- Pullen Park Community Center Saturday morning April 23 and May 21
 - Purpose is to provide an overview to those in the community on the importance of pollinators with a focus on the honey bee.
 - Content:
 - A Presentation
 - Booths/Tables
 - Honey bees – an observation hive, pictures, books
 - How to make a pollinator garden
 - Beekeeping equipment
 - Products of the hive
 - We will need your help with this effort



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 - We will your help and assistance with this project
 - Help putting together the booths/tables
 - Help each Saturday morning with people at each booth/table to talk with those who come
 - Items for the tables
 - If you are interested in being involved in this effort:
 - Rick Bordeaux - rickbordeaux@gmail.com
 - Gordon Goeking - gngoeking@gmail.com
 - Projects such as this is a good opportunity to help you in your efforts to better understand the honey bee.
 - This could count towards a service credit in the MBP



Wrap Up

Raffle was held of donated equipment and shirts

Thanks for attending!

See you May 10th

**Wake County Commons
4011 Carya Dr, Raleigh, NC 27610!**