

Brown County Beekeepers Association Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 6:30p

Location: Meeting was conducted in-person at Green Bay Botanical Gardens and streamed via Zoom.

Attendance: Please see the sign-in sheet for a list of attendees. 36 in-person attendees indicated on sign-in sheet; however, 39 attendees were accounted for during a head count. This is in addition to those recorded on the sign-in sheet attending via zoom. All numbers include the 7 of 8 leaders that were present.

Meeting before the Meeting: No official MBM was scheduled for this month.

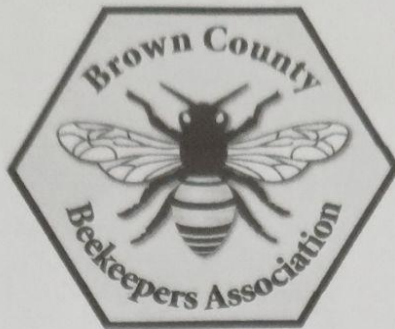
Topic	Presenter	Description	Action Required (must specify who, what & when)
Welcome	Chris Groth	Meeting began at 6:30 pm on March 15, 2023 with Chris Groth facilitating in-person.	None
Financial Report	Tom Cashman	Tom Cashman gave the club financial report for the previous month 02/11/2023 to 3/11/2023. No questions or issues were raised regarding the financial report.	None
Club Activities -Club Event	Carl Fisher	Carl gave details for the club event on July 11 at 6p at Gather on Broadway, Green Bay. It's only for Members and Guests and costs \$30 for members or \$45 for guests. Must RSVP by July 1st. Aiming for 75 people. This is in lieu of the club picnic.	None
Club Activities -Electronic Photos	Carl Fisher	Carl is soliciting electronic photos to be used on social media and club promotions. Email to info@browncountybeekeepers.com . Posted photos will have the owner credited.	None
Club Activities -Website	Car Fisher	Carl gave a preview of the website changes that he's made, specifically featuring education, blogs, & links.	None
Guest Speaker -Wisconsin Honey Queen, Kaelyn Sumner	Julie Mazzoleni & Kaelyn Sumner	Julie introduced Kaelyn Sumner, 2023 Wisconsin Honey Queen. Kaelyn gave a brief summary of her background, her resume, and a presentation of her year to-date in review.	None
Club Activities -Public Education	Julie Mazzoleni	Julie presented opportunities for volunteers to teach both children and adults about bees and beekeeping. Sign up sheet was passed around for potential volunteers.	None
Club Activities -Beekeepers Helping Beekeepers	Chris Groth	No questions were presented in writing. Chris solicited questions from attendees. The following are questions and answers presented at the meeting. Question: "What's the best way to clean a dead out?" Answer: Knock out the dead bees. The earlier the better. Any leftover honey should be left for bees and not harvested. Always try to diagnose why. Allow to freeze but protect from mice.	None

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		<p>Q: How soon should we see the queen laying? A: There should be minimal brood at this time. When resources start coming in, the queen will start laying more.</p> <p>Q: When should I switch from sugar to syrup? A: At a consistent 50 degrees. They should be able to take cleansing flights.</p> <p>Q: Do I need to feed pollen? What's the ratio that of sugar to water when I feed syrup? A: You don't have to, but it's wise to. Bees prefer natural pollen and as soon as they can fly they will go after budding maples.</p> <p>Q: When should I treat for mites? A: It's general consensus that you should check at the earliest opportunity. Due to low brood, treating very early is more effective. Some treat without testing, assuming the overwintered bees have mites.</p> <p>Q: When should I test after installing a nuc or package? A: It's best to get into a habit of monthly testing.</p>	
Education -Splits	Craig Spindler, Let It Bee	Craig Spindler from Let It Bee, Greenville WI gave a presentation on Splitting a Hive. The presentation included reasons why to split, tools and equipment needed, guidelines and methods. He also answered questions that came up during the presentation.	None
Adjournment		Meeting adjourned 3/15/2023 at 8:18 PM	None
Next Meeting		Next meeting is Wednesday, April 19, 2023	None
		Respectfully submitted via N. Frailey, Secretary & Recorder.	

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<u>Club Officers (Initial if Present)</u>	<u>PRINTED NAME</u>
1 President - Dave Elsen ABSENT	22 Julianne Sanders
2 VP - Chris Groth CRG	23 Steve Hooper
3 Treasurer - Tom Cashman F.C.	24 Dan Lynish
4 Secretary - Nathan Frailey NF	25 Ela Godziński
5 Web Chair - Carl Fisher CF	26 Mike Laes
6 Ed Chair - Julie Mazzoleni JM	27 Pat Laes
7 Soc Media - Wayne Steigelman WS	28 Duane Oudonhoven
8 At Large - Dick Sturm DS	29 Becky Oudonhoven
<u>PRINTED NAME</u>	30 Pat
9 Nikki Janke	31 SARAH MUELLER
10 BOB MICHELS	32 MATT MUELLER
11 JAMES ARVEY	33 Charlotte Skeln
12 Ruble Jones	34 MICHELLE SPINDLER-GUEST
13 Dan Eichman	35 CRAIG SPINDLER-GUEST
14 Lori Eichman	36 KAELYN SUMNER-GUEST
15 Wayne Richardson	37
16 PAUL ROITMAN	38
17 Heather Reitmeyer	39
18 Peggy L. Dorn	40
19 Quinn Frye	41
20 Lauren Frye	42 MATT VIA ZOOM
21 Tom Eisenring	43 DEREK VIA ZOOM

39 HEAD COUNT