

Brown County Beekeepers Association Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at 6:30p

Location: Meeting was conducted in-person at Barkhausen Waterfowl Preserve and streamed via Zoom.

Attendance: Please see the sign-in sheet for a list of attendees. 41 in-person attendees indicated on sign-in sheet. This is in addition to those recorded on the sign-in sheet attending via zoom.

Meeting before the Meeting:

Topic	Presenter	Description	Action Required (must specify who, what & when)
Welcome	Chris Groth	Meeting began at 6:30 pm with Chris Groth facilitating in-person.	None
Financial Report	Chad Ford	<p>Chad Ford gave the club financial report for the previous months.</p> <p>Chad asked for help in audit for 2024. Mary Marquart, Carl Fisher, Pat Laes(?).</p> <p>Open discussion on 2025 budget.</p> <p>Motion to raise club events bucket, passed.</p> <p>2025 budget approved.</p>	None
Wax Dipping	Nathan Frailey	<p>No commitments yet for wax dipping boxes with Hansen Honey farms. Nathan discussed benefits. Augie Linskens shared that a lot of commercial beekeepers are going this way.</p> <p>Reach out to Nathan if interested, would like to get to Hansen soon.</p>	None
Newsletter Poll	Nathan Frailey	<p>Handed out QR code to fill out survey online. Preliminary results below.</p>	None
Education Outreach	Julie Mazzolini	<p>Julie gave an update on education outreach efforts.</p> <p>Looking for volunteers for GBBG Biologist Camp, July 29-30.</p> <p>Volunteer presentations geared toward 3rd, 4th, 5th graders, maybe some Kindergarten.</p>	None
Augie Minute	Augie Linskens	<p>What we learned in 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Spring bees came out of mild winter looking great, pop great. - Because it was a mild winter, no brood break for queen led to elevated mite and virus levels. - Consider queen's age by how many eggs they lay. No brood break means she is laying more, which ages her. - We did many splits then the rains came 5/17 through 7/9. 	None

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Queens base laying on how much nectar is coming in. Rains prohibited bees from collecting nectar. Not laying stressed bees. - Led to low honey crop 65lb average vs 165 other years. - Commercial beekeepers had high hive losses nationwide. 	
Intro to Beekeeping Class	Chris Groth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 30 people registered. - Thanks to those who volunteered. - Hansen's offering 15% discount at class. 	None
Woodenware for Sale	Chris Groth	Tom and TJ Marquardt building woodenware for sale. 10% of sales go blind foundation.	None
Education – Fall/Winter Management	Dick Sturm, Carol Sturm	Varroa Mite Management	None
Adjournment		Meeting adjourned 1/15/2025	None
Next Meeting		Next meeting is Wednesday, February 19, 2025	None
		Respectfully submitted via Edmund Poillion, Secretary & Recorder.	

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SARAH MUELLER	Jeff DeWolfe
MATT MUELLER	Jim Sharp
MIMI GERNER	Chris DeWolfe
CHRIS GROTH	Pat Laas
Wayne S.	Ela Lodzinski
Wayne + Melissa Linssen	Mike Laas
BOB MICHELS	Tracy Franke
Terry Heimes	Jesse Kallioinen
Mary Marguacht	Todd WITTHORN
Dick Sturm	John
Carol Sturm	Charlotte Skela
Mary Mueller	Emily Skela
Gregg Mueller	Niel Jacob
Mary + Tom Maguire	Mason Frailey
Steve Hartstern	NATHAN Frailey
Duane Oudenhoven	
CARL FISHER	
Shellie Milheiser	
Andrea Muchana	
Jenni for Gerdeen	
Augie Linskens	
Ann Thomson	
KARI JAHNKE	
Melissa Mauren Ford	
Chad Ford	
Tomer Roberts	

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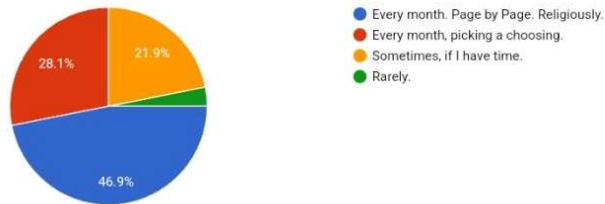
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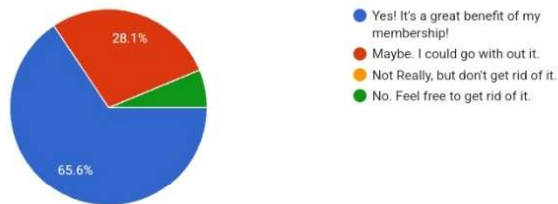
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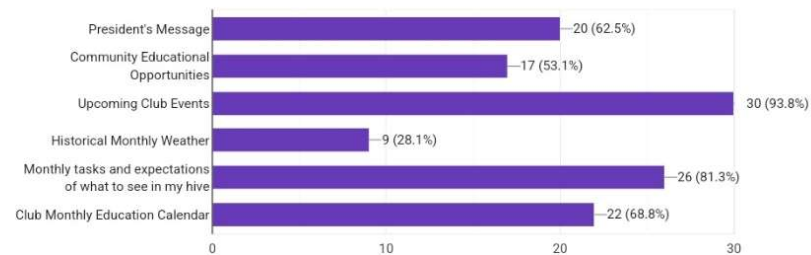
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