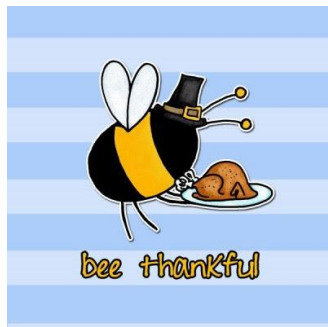


Five Rivers Bee Club Monthly Minutes November 16, 2021



Meeting was called to order by President, Lonnie Perry, at the Hardy Civic Center in Hardy Arkansas at 6:30 P.M. CST.

Johnny Niswonger did opening prayer.

Jacque English gave treasurer report: Current balance \$381.48

William Kaelber made motion to accept the minutes as posted, Bob Stone 2nd, all approved.

We had 28 in attendance: 18 members, 3 adult guests, and 7 children

Members to renew their membership this month: James Brown, Carmen Inman, William Kaelber, Vernon Lamb, Lyle Mackey, Daniel and Carrie Morthland, Johnnie Niswonger, Scott and Belinda Tippitt, and Rick Vanhouten. If not paid during the 3 month grace period, you will be moved to Guest status. You can pay via our [PayPal](#), in the comments – type Membership.

Lonnie went to Texas again and got to see Gavin, an 11 year old who has received his Master Beekeeper Certificate. His name is Gavin Guy and lives in Texas. Gavin's Facebook page is <https://www.facebook.com/beesomeonehoney/>

Lonnie's son gave a 5 minute presentation on beekeeping and tax credit and out of 100 entries, he won 1st place. Congrats!

Scott & Belinda Tippitt donated this BEAUTIFUL complete beehive to be raffled off. Tickets are \$5.00 / each or 6 tickets for \$20.00.



Their daughter did the painting and detail work. The drawing will be held at our December 21st monthly meeting. We accept [PayPal](#), to purchase tickets. If you do pay by this means, I, Jacque, will write your name on the tickets and enter into raffle. Your copy of the ticket(s) will be given to you at our next

meeting. If you are out of the area, you can still enter the raffle, but if you win, arrangements need to be made to pick it up, if you cannot attend the meeting.

If you purchase through [PayPal](#), please comment which item(s) you wanted, since we have other items in our store to purchase.

Paul Seymore won the box of wooden frames, 3 green pollen frames, foundation inserts (black ones and yellow ones). Congrats!

Andy Birdsell and John Frazier are working on a bill to submit to Arkansas Legislation about a tax credit for having honeybees. Anyone interested in helping with this, please contact Andy at 870.847.0986 or birdselladj@yahoo.com

Reminder that voting on our 2022 officers will be next month and nominations are: Officers have to be a current paid member to accept. There is time to add your name to any position before the vote. Just let me (Jacque) know.

President,

- Lonnie Perry
- William Kaelber

Vice-President,

- Andy Birdsell
- William Kaelber

Secretary, Treasurer,

- Jacque English

Member at Large,

- Carmen Inman
- William Kaelber

Master at Arms.

- Arrie Goodwin
- Martin English

Lonnie talked about having an EpiPen on hand to use on someone that may come to his bee yard. Are there any legal ramifications if he did so, could he be sued?

Under the https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/images/uploads/rules/EPIPEN_Rules-Final_9.28.16.pdf

SECTION VI – Immunity

(A) A person or entity that in good faith renders emergency care or treatment by the use of auto-injectable epinephrine is immune from civil liability resulting from: (1) The emergency care or treatment; and (2) Any good faith act or omission to provide or arrange for further medical treatment.

(D) Immunity under this section is in addition to the immunity provided to an individual acting as a "Good Samaritan" under the provisions of § 17-95-101.

Scott Tippitt did a show-n-tell on how to make Sugar Patties / Bricks for winter feeding.

Recipe is :



4 lbs sugar

3 oz total of combination of any liquid: Apple Cider Vinegar (to help against mold), Honey Bee Healthy, water

Bake in oven at 170 degrees for 3-4 hours.

Place in hive and let your girls enjoy.

It is time for the entrance to the hive to be reduced.



You have Wax Moths if your frames look like this....



Many folks use this to help prevent this to happen..

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M. CST

Next meeting is December 21, 2021



Location 301 Main Street - Hardy AR 72542 (Hardy Civic Center)

Video of meetings and past minutes can be accessed at <http://5rbc.net/Minutes/2021.html>

Minutes submitted by Jacque English

November

Bees:

As the weather turns cold, bee activity will be reduced outside the hive. The temperature will send bees into a loose cluster as necessary.

Beekeepers:

Install entrance reducers. Finish winter feeding. Don't open hives in cold weather. In windy areas, secure hive lids with a brick or rock. Now enjoy some honey. Review your records and evaluate colony performance. Consider what you might do differently next year. Attend your local beekeeper meetings and compare notes. Evaluate equipment and consider repairs or replacements. Render and clean any leftover wax.

December

Bees:

The bees are in a tight cluster, alternating between generating heat with their wing muscles and resting and eating on the outside of the cluster. The queen is taking a much-needed break from egg production.

Beekeepers:

Leave your bees alone. Periodically test winter stores by gently tilting the hive, but do not open the lid. Order new tools and supplies for spring and get all of your equipment in order. Consider expanding your apiary. Enjoy a few books and drink some tea with honey in it. Turn your excess wax into candles and give away a few jars of your finest honey as holiday gifts. Plan to place your orders for spring package bees and queens early to ensure you are at the top of the list.

<https://www.uaex.uada.edu/farm-ranch/special-programs/beekeeping/calendar.aspx>

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