

# Five Rivers Bee Club

Monthly Meeting Minutes for August 16, 2022

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Mission Statement 'The mission of Five Rivers Bee Club (FRBC) is to provide our membership and local community with a forum for sharing knowledge (through presentations and/or articles in print) of mutual interests in beekeeping, honey production and marketing of honey and related products. To educate and promote the benefits of beekeeping to the public'

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm. by Lonnie Perry, President

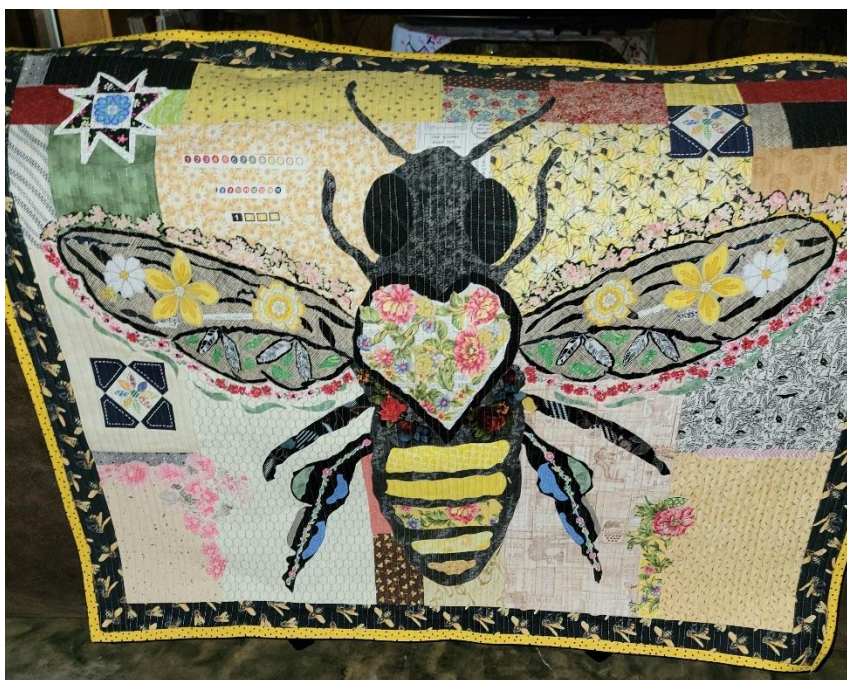
Opening prayer was given by Arrie Goodwin

Minutes of July 19th were approved. Bob Stone motioned to accept and several folks 2<sup>nd</sup> at once.

Treasurer Report. \$913.04 (All books are open to the members)

In Attendance: 34 total (33 adults, 1 young people)

We are having a raffle for this beautiful quilt that Ann Wilson made for the next three months. Raffle will be held at our October meeting. Do not have to present to win. Tickets can be purchased at our monthly meetings or online using [PayPal](#). \$5.00 a ticket or \$20.00 for 6 tickets. The detail is amazing.



**SIGN UP SHEETS** - There will be Sign Up Sheets on the table by the concession stand that you can add your name to. It went very smoothly and folks like this better rather than passing around during the meeting.

Members and Guests Sign In - Members find your name and place an “X” in the Left Column. Any changes to your information, please annotate. Our Guests here, please fill out our Guest Sheet. Thank you.

Minutes of Previous Meeting – If you did not get to read them online, please pick up a copy at the table for your review. There will also be minutes from past meetings that there were extras of.

Swarm Team – Local Extension Offices in surrounding counties has a listing of folks they can call upon to catch swarms. If interested, please add your name to the sheet and Jacque will get your information to the appropriate county.

Homesteaders Day (Sept 24<sup>th</sup>) – Will be at Loberg Park 9:00am to 3:00pm. If working a booth with us, Period clothing is required if you need something to wear, the Hardy Historical Society has outfits you can check out. If you have something to add to the display area, that would be wonderful. Contact William Kaelber who is the main contact point for this event. (870) 751-1176. He needs some honey to fill the sample containers he is going to pass out during the day. He has quite a few done, but lacking honey to finish the job. He also made a wonderful demonstration educational Langstroth hive for educational purposes.



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Guest Speaker for tonight was Jacob Bates, Apiary Inspector for Northern half of state - 501-231-0537

He did an informative Power Point presentation.

Can be viewed here: <http://5rbc.net/Media/Movies/2022/20220816.MP4>

Bee Registering you can do online now. It is free and a must do as a beekeeper. Why? Say they get report of American Foul Brood breaks out. They will call everyone within a 3-mile radius to inform that it is in their area and come out to inspect your hives. He will call all registered apiaries only. This is the nasty kind that there is no cure now to combat. Only way to combat, is to burn your hives. We also have the forms at our meetings.

He said there are 48,500 colonies in Arkansas, and he would like to see that number rise.

Bees in trees do not count as an apiary. Only hives with REMOVABLE frames are allowed. The yard, by law, is to have the Apiary Identification. Whether permanent or temporary, shall be identified by prominently displaying the owner's Registration number at the site. This number may be displayed on one or more hives or on a readily visible sign placed within 10 feet of the hives.

Before moving or selling any hives, the need to be inspected beforehand. The inspection is good for 1 year. Selling of goods is 6 months.

Honey Bee Health Coalition [Homepage - Honey Bee Health Coalition](#) is a great source of information. They offer surveys each year.

Mite season is here and NOW is the time to start treatments. He spoke on the various methods out there, powder, vapor, strips. Just remember THE LABEL IS THE LAW!

When treating, Do NOT have supers on. So you may be looking at 3 weeks with no honey production.

Bee Journal Magazine are a great resource for information and highly recommended to get subscription. Our bee club has one and we have the magazines on the table for you to take home, read, then return for others to get.

September 23/24<sup>th</sup> will be Bee Conference in Mountain View. [Arkansas Beekeepers Association \(arbeekeepers.org\)](http://arbeekeepers.org)

Meeting adjourned 7:33pm and many socialize afterwards.  
Next month, our meeting will be held on the September 20, 2022  
Location 301 Main Street - Hardy AR 72542 (Hardy Civic Center)  
Minutes submitted by Jacque English

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