



CCBA Meeting Minutes OCT 11, 2021

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*Christine Nicolodi: **Refreshment Coordinator.**

ZOOM meeting tonight just didn't come through: new TVs in the Ag Ctr and one older computer on our side, first time working with our Zoom. SORRY.

DATES to KNOW:

-- Annual Dues \$15 per voting mbr*: (pay Sue Welch). **2022 DUES** OCT – DEC. Renewal sheet on Website and attached to these minutes to send by mail.

-- OCT 16-17, Orange Park Fall Festival, OP Town Hall at Kingsley and US 17, 10-5PM

-- NOV 7, OP Farmers Market 10-3 Pm

-- NOV 13 CCBA Mentor Mtg 10 Am

-- DEC 11 CCBA Mentor Mtg 10Am

-- DEC 13 CCBA Semi Annual Dinner Pot Luck 7PM

-- **NEW for 2022 Spring: Farm Bureau Farmers Market at Farm Bureau on Henley Rd 8-12Pm \$5 per table Honey/Wax/etc. can be sold here. You can purchase your own table. The CCBA will have an Information table set up.** This is a new venue for any member. Cross Middleton, with the Farm Bureau, #904 657 6704 for questions. It will be the 3rd Sat each month.

Old Business:-- Our CCBA Association Caps are \$15 see Ray. Our logo embroidered on your Polo shirt \$10 (see Sue G. or Stich by Stich in the Orange Park Mall). John Boeckstiegel has ash & yellow color Golf-shirts with logo: S-LG \$11, XL \$16, XXXL \$18 and Tee shirts S-L \$9, XL \$12, XXL \$14.

-- Our CCBA Honey for sale to members \$5 / small 16 oz jar.

-- **Mentors** are available, call Ray Vickerman or Dave Sieruta. Mentors currently are Huey Forquet (Orange Park and Baker County), Rick and Dorie Kline and Ralph White (Middleburg),

John Riley & Dave Sieruta (Lake Asbury & Orange Park), Ray Vickerman (Green Cove Springs) Bob McKenney (Orange Park), Joe Geisel (ST Augustine) and Ken Harp (Keystone Heights).

--Rick Kline noted a lot of the tools and displays in the Honey House are missing over the years

ANYONE wishing to donate old equipment, hive tools, information, pictures bring it in.

--Swarm collection; let Frank Gianino know to put your name and phone on the Website. Currently we have Dave Sieruta 904-466-3613, John Boeckstiegel 904-673-8480 & Cross Middleton 904-657-6704, Ralph White 352-514-9927, Dorie and Rick Kline 904-571-3070.

*******Register your hives with Mosquito Control Board** (904) 417-5884 or Check out Clay County Mosquito Control in the News at <https://www.firstcoastnews.com/article/news/local/clay-county-uses-aggressive-effort-on-mosquito-problem-after-finding-west-nile-virus/77-577095009> **OR Call Jessie(904)284-6335 to give her your location and your hives location. Aerial spraying is not currently done in Clay County.**

****Frank has posted the Mosquito Control and Beekeepers info on the Web site.**

7:00 PM Meeting delayed trying to get Zoom and our computer to work with Ag Ext computer.

7:25 Sue G. encouraged all members to come up to the Fall Festival this coming Sat and Sunday from 10-5pm and help at the Booth. Dorie noted that the next CC Fair will be from Mar 31-APR 10 and **we can use an old fashion phone** to set up for kids to talk to the Bees. It does not need to be working and we would like to keep it for the Fairs to come. Kids loved the idea.

7:30 Dave opened the meeting and welcomed 6 new members. Some of our members are with more than one Association, which is great for exchanging ideas. He explained the Mentor Program meets on the second SAT at 10AM pls wear long pants.

7:35 Apiary Report: 6 Full Hives and 16 NUCS. This is the wrong time of year to pick up NUCS, they will stay at the Apiary till the Spring honey flow. The cost of NUCS for 2022 will go from \$55 to \$60. For new members to get a Mentor and a NUC cost will go \$160 to \$180 in 2022.

We got permission to expand the Apiary for more room to teach probably in NOV cost \$200.

-- Secretary, the minutes for SEPT accepted and Approved.

-- Treasurers Report \$13,587.51, The UF Grad Students were given their \$250 Credit Card x2, Bees without Borders donation \$300, Total amt from our Symposium \$1165 and Raffle \$260. Report accepted and Approved.

7:40 Frank Gianino is our speaker on making Meade, Honey Wine. Handouts passed out. Questions and answers followed.

8:15 Mentor Report: Ray noted we have 10 mentors now.

--Membership Coordinator we have 180 members and from our electronic survey sent out, we had 34 responses, generally favorable and requesting more Demonstrations. Dave noted the Apiary is our demonstration area but we could demo extracting honey, pls let us know what you would like to see.

--ELECTION of Officers will occur at the DEC Dinner, ANYONE who would like to nominate someone for President, VP, Secretary, Treasurer or Membership Coordinator please let Sue Gianino know so we can get you on the ballot. Only paid members can vote in DEC. Anyone who would like help decorate for the party come help Barbara Perkins and Christine about 6 pm DEC 13. Sue G. noted that our Web site, the meeting minutes and our business cards all have the members email and phone numbers.

--Sue G. also reminded everyone that our pot luck dinner is coming up and last year it was suggested we start a cookbook. If you would like to have your special salad, side dish, desert included please send it to Sue G.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Hives and More is offering their 10% off wood ware for NOV-DEC for CCBA Members only.

8:30 Raffle

8:45 Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Gianino

Secretary

Honeybees, otherwise known as the Angels of Agriculture, are the strongest link in the chain between food producers

Clay County Beekeepers Association



Membership Application

Business Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7PM.

Mentor meetings are held on the 2nd Saturday of the month from 10AM until 12 Noon.

All meetings are held at the Clay Co. Agricultural Extension Office.

2463 State Road 16 W, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, (904) 284-6355.

Our mission is the development and promotion of practical beekeeping methods and to act as an educational resource to the community and the general public.

Membership dues are \$15 per year per voting member.

Name: Last _____ First _____ Middle Initial _____

If a couple:

Last _____ First _____ Middle Initial _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email 1: _____ Email 2: _____

Make Checks Payable to: Clay County Beekeepers Association

Mail application and check to:

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