

Raleigh County Beekeepers Cooperative Association

Beginners Beekeeping Class



Dates: Saturday, February 27, 2021
Time: 8:30AM to 3:30PM
Location: Raleigh County Schools Central Office, Munson Hall
105 Adair Street, Beckley, WV 25801

The Beginners Beekeeping course is being offered by the Raleigh County Beekeepers Cooperative Association.

Course Prerequisite: Interest In Learning about Honeybees

Recommended: Novice/Hobbyist Beekeeper

Course Instructor: Mark Lilly is the current President of the Raleigh County Beekeepers Cooperative Association. Mr. Lilly is also a West Virginia Master Beekeepers and an EAS Master Beekeeper. He is currently a beekeeper/educator for the Appalachian Beekeeping Collective, managing over 800 colonies.

This course will consist of one "Virtual" Saturday session on Saturday, February 27, 2021. The class will run from 8:30AM to 3:30PM and will be held via Microsoft TEAMS and participants will be notified via email one day prior to the course once payment is received. Payments can be made at www.raleighcountybeekeepers.com

Students Will Learn:

- Different Types of Hive Equipment and How to Assemble
- Where to Locate Hives and Minimum Requirements
- Differences Between Different Castes of Honeybees (i.e. Workers/Drones/Queens)
- Different Breeds of Honeybees and Temperment of Each
- Beekeeper Responsibilities at Different Times of the Year
- How to Inspect a Honeybee Colony
- How to Identify General Problems Within a Colony
- How to Treat for Mites and When to Treat
- Feeding Requirements
- General Honeybee Biology
- What to Expect in Years One and Two
- How to Introduce Package Honeybees Versus Nucs

Course fees are as follows:

- \$30 per student/\$35 per couple for non-members pre-registered (Pre-registration from February 01, 2021 to February 22, 2021)
- \$20 per student/\$25 per couple for members, pre-registered
- \$35 per student/\$45 per couple for non-pre-registered

Interested in becoming a member of the Raleigh County Beekeepers Cooperative Association?

Benefits of RCBCA Membership

- Membership is for entire immediate family (\$14 goes to the RCBCA & \$6 goes for membership in the WV Beekeepers Association)
- Monthly meeting with education programming
- Reduced product costs through cost-sharing opportunities with the RCBCA
- Hands-on beekeeping workshops at the Raleigh County Schools Apiary Yard
- Collaborative partnerships with local community groups
- Opportunity to sell honey in the annual Beckley Honey Festival
- Mentorship from other RCBCA members

Benefits of RCBCA Membership (continued)

- Honey and beekeeping supplies sales opportunities
- Fellowship with local beekeepers
- Discounts at RCBCA classes and WVBA conferences

To register for the Beginners Beekeeping Course and/or become a member of the RCBCA complete the form below:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Date: _____

Please select a registration/membership option below:

Class Registration:

- _____ \$30 Non-member, student pre-registered (February 01 to February 22, 2021)
- _____ \$35 Non-member, couple pre-registered (February 01 to February 22, 2021)
- _____ \$20 RCBCA member, student pre-registered
- _____ \$25 RCBCA members, couple pre-registered
- _____ \$35 Non-member, student non-pre-registered
- _____ \$45 Non-member, couple non-pre-registered

Membership:

- _____ \$20 2021 Raleigh County Beekeepers Cooperative Association Annual Membership

Total enclosed: _____

Please make checks payable to:

Raleigh County Beekeepers Cooperative Association

Registration/Membership Form and fees can be mailed to:

Raleigh County Beekeepers Cooperative Association

251 Vista Drive

Mount Hope, WV 25880

Questions can be emailed to raleighcobees@gmail.com or you may call (304)890-0731.