



Sandusky River Valley **Bee**KEEPERS Association

SEPTEMBER 2024

NEWSLETTER



Club Officers

President: Gary Wylie

Vice President: Kathleen Conn

Secretary: Sue Kosakowski

Treasurer: Kim Root

Directors: Rosemary Clifford, Mike Gergley, Doug Ricci

MISSION:

- To promote and support Beekeeping through education.
- To educate the public about the value of honey Bees and the impact of Honey Bees on the world through classes, public meetings and educational appearances.
- To promote the products of the hive to the general public.
- To promote the common interest and general welfare of the Ohio beekeeping and the Beekeeping industry.
- To help and mentor new Beekeepers with knowledge and education.

September Monthly Meeting

Discussion Topic: Summer Picnic!!

When: Sunday, September 15 at NOON

Where: Oak Haven Belgians Farm, Dr. Michael Stone's Home: 1850 SR 12, Fremont, OH
NO MEETING ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND

Mark Your Calendars!! You don't want to miss this:

Winterizing Workshop: Saturday, September 21, 10am, Gary & Tami Wylie's barn.

October Monthly Meeting: Monday, October 7th; 7pm @ FUMC

November Monthly Meeting: Monday, November 4th; 7pm @ FUMC

December Annual Meeting: Monday, December 2nd 6pm @ Ballville
Township Hall



Message from the President—Gary Wylie

Hello SRVBA Members!

The August meeting was a great success. We had an open-mic discussion night which allowed members to ask questions and discuss and participate by providing information to other members. There was a lot of group participation. I received very positive feedback about the meeting. We'll look for opportunities to use the open discussion format again in future meetings.

September is SRVBA annual picnic month. This event is a great time to fellowship and visit with other club members and have some fun. The picnic is Sunday, September 15th, starting at noon. The club will furnish the meat, buns, condiments, water, and paper products. Please bring a dish to share with the group. The location for the picnic will be at Dr. Michael Stone's residence at 1850 State Route 12, Fremont, Ohio 43420. **Note: Since we're meeting for the picnic, there will be no September monthly meeting.**

A winter preparation workshop will be held on September 21st, 10am to 12pm. The workshop will be held at Gary & Tami Wylie's barn. A general discussion about the winter season and the need for fall and winter feeding. We'll then demonstrate preparing a sugar board and discuss making winter patties. This workshop complements the hive winterizing presentation which will be presented at the October meeting.

The 2024 county fairs were recently completed. We had tables set-up at Ottawa, Seneca, and Sandusky County fairs. Although we had some hot sticky days, we still had a great time. Our mission of educating the public about honey bees and bee-related issues was accomplished and we collected names of potential future beekeepers. A big thank you to those members who helped at the fairs (4-hour shifts). Thank you all! Your participation makes SRVBA a great organization.

If you haven't yet attended a beekeeper class, we have an end-of-year class planned for Saturday, November 2, 2024. We have 10 openings for the class. The class will soon be advertised to the public and will pretty quickly be full. The registration form is now on our website.

The 2025 New Beekeeper Class is scheduled for March 8, 2025, 8am through 5pm.

See you all at the September picnic!

Thank you for supporting SRVBA!

Gary Wylie

SRVBA President

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Doesn't this picture look inviting?

YOU are invited to join us at our annual summer picnic on September 15th. Bring a dish to share and a beverage if you want something other than water.

Additional information can be found on the first page and in the President's message on the second page.

See you there!!



SEPTEMBER'S TO DO LIST IS....

- ⇒ Weekly hive inspections
- ⇒ Pull fall honey supers
- ⇒ Reduce entrances for robbing and yellow jackets
- ⇒ Mite monitoring/treatment if needed
- ⇒ Monitor for honey or pollen bound
- ⇒ Requeen if needed/combine weak hives
- ⇒ Attend bee club meetings



From the honeycomb . . .

Bee quotes -

"Pollinate your dreams with persistence"



"Bees do have a smell, you know, and if they don't they should, for their feet are dusted with spices from a million flowers."

- Ray Bradbury

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Send ad to: sekosak@bgsu.edu

🐝 Beekeepers, We've Got Your Fall Feeding Needs Covered! 🐝

Visit Gary & Tami Wylie at Cherry City Honey!

