

FEBRUARY 2025

NEWSLETTER



Sandusky River Valley **Bee**KEEPERS Association

Club Officers

President: Kathleen Conn

Vice President: Brennan Miller

Secretary: Sue Kosakowski

Treasurer: Kim Root

Directors: Rosemary Clifford, Beth Muffler 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 Beekeeper with knowledge and education.

Dues are due!!

If you haven't already mailed your 2025 dues, please plan on bringing them to the February meeting. At \$20, your dues are the best investment around for beekeepers!

Not a member already? Join Sandusky River Valley Beekeepers Association:

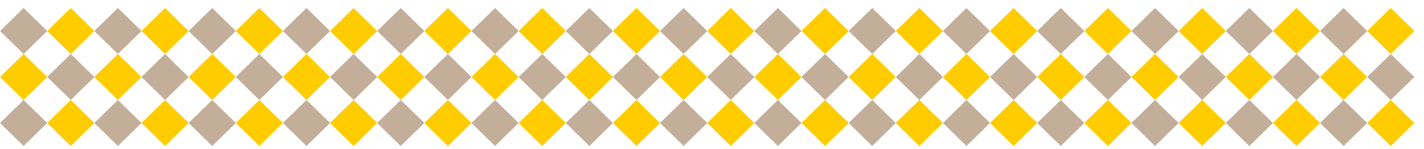
1. Fill out membership form

<http://srvba.ohiostatebeekeepers.org/>

2. Mail form to: SRVBA

c/o Kim Root, 1000 CR 312

Bellevue, OH 44811



February Monthly Meeting

Presenter: Kathleen Conn, SRVBA, President

When: Monday, February 3, 2025 at 7pm

Where: First United Methodist Church, 510 W Maple Street, Clyde, Ohio 43410

Topic: Business Meeting; Review and Approve 2025 Budget, Discuss 2025 Activities

Don't miss this opportunity to meet the new officers and talk about 2025!!

**ANNUAL
BUSINESS
MEETING**



BEEKEEPER CLASSES - Come One, Come All!!

The SRVBA is hosting a class for new and novice beekeepers. Here's the scoop:

WHEN: Saturday, March 15th

9am - 4pm (lunch included)

WHERE: 1000 CR 312, Bellevue, OH

COST: \$75 (includes materials, lunch, door prizes, experienced beekeepers)

QUESTIONS? Kim Root, kroot9876@gmail.com

We need you!

Your experiences, successes, failures and beekeeping ideas are all valuable in helping others learn about beekeeping. Contact Gary Wylie if you're able to help during the beekeeper class.

YOU can make a difference.

FEBRUARY'S TO DO LIST IS....

- Keep entrance clean of dead bees
- Check sugar boards for sugar
- Maybe place a pollen patty in sugar board
- **Attend the bee club meeting**

[SRVBA Membership form can be found on the next page, or click here for digital copy.](#)





SRVBA Membership Form

We welcome you to join the Sandusky River Valley Beekeepers Association! Yearly membership dues are \$20.00 per family & due by March 1st. You do not need to own honey bees to join - just have an interest in the welfare of honey bees. Please make checks payable to the Sandusky River Valley Beekeepers Association. Complete this form & mail it to: **SRVBA, c/o Kim Root, 1000 CR 312, Bellevue, OH 44811.**

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Spouse: _____

Additional family names _____

Email address: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ County _____

Phone number (home) _____ (cell) _____

Membership since: _____ Number of Hives _____

Please check all that apply:

- ☐ New Membership
- ☐ Renewal
- ☐ Individual
- ☐ Family
- ☐ Willing to help with committees for club activities.
- ☐ I'm interested in being a mentor in _____ County.
- ☐ Add me to the swarm list for _____ County.
- ☐ Tax deductible donations for supporting Beekeeping \$_____.

This information will never be shared with others, outside of the club. All information is confidential.

Meetings are held at the First United Methodist Church, 510 W. Maple Street, Clyde, OH 43410.

For office use only

Check number _____

Cash amount _____

Calendar year _____

Verified info _____

Tentative Schedule 2025

February Meeting – First Monday Feb. 3rd, @ 7pm [First United Methodist Church, Clyde, OH](#) Business Meeting: 2025 Budget & Planning, membership DUES collected for the year.

March Meeting – First Monday March 3rd @ 6:30 pm [First United Methodist Church](#) CHILI POTLUCK: Chili, water, coffee and table service provided; Please bring a covered dish to share. This meeting starts earlier than usual to enjoy our meal SRVBA member and Master Gardener, Susan Nighswander, will be giving the presentation on Pollinators, Plants, & Gardens.

Beginning Beekeeper Class – Saturday, March 15, 2025 Doors open 8 AM, Class Begins at 9 AM [SRVBA-Beginning-Beekeepers-Class-Registration-Form-2025](#) Location: [Cherry City Honey, Bellevue, OH](#) (As of 1.25.2025 seats still available for this class)

April Meeting – First Monday April 7th, at 7pm [First United Methodist Church](#) Topic: Hive Checks & Splits

WORKSHOP – April 12th Saturday 10 AM – Install Bee Package – location: [Cherry City Honey, Bellevue, OH](#)

May Meeting – First Monday May 5th, @ 7pm [First United Methodist Church](#) Topic: Planning for 2025 Bees, Making Nuc

WORKSHOP – May 17th at 10 AM – Mite Treatments – location: [Cherry City Honey](#)

June Meeting – First Monday June 2nd, at 7pm [First United Methodist Church](#) Topic: Tentative Speaker: Pests, Disease and Hive Necropsy

WORKSHOP – June 14th at 10 AM – Mite Treatments – [Cherry City Honey](#)

July Meeting – To BEE DETERMINED – Updated information coming soon!!

WORKSHOP – July 19th at 10 AM – Honey Extraction – [Cherry City Honey](#)

Tentative Schedule 2025 (continued)

August Meeting – First Monday August 4th, at 7pm [First United Methodist Church](#) Topic: OPEN MIC NITE

WORKSHOP – August 23rd at 10 AM – Fall Transition – [Cherry City Honey](#)

September Meeting – September 7th – Club Picnic

WORKSHOP – Saturday, Sept. 20 @ 10am – Winterization Workshop – [Cherry City Honey](#)

October Meeting – First Monday October 6th at 7 PM [First United Methodist Church](#) Topic: Hive Winterizing; Honey Bears Distributed

November Meeting – First Monday November 3rd, at 7pm [First United Methodist Church](#) Topic: Nomination of Officers; Honey Bears labeled and ribboned, distributed to local food pantries.

December Meeting – First Monday December 1st at 6 PM – Christmas Party & Election of Officers

****Note current membership dues must be paid to attend workshops and meetings. You can download the form [\(click here\)](#).**

