# **KEARSARGE BEEKEEPERS**

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**JUNE 2019** 

#### **NEXT MEETING**

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2019 9:00 A.M. WARNER TOWN HALL (downstairs/side entrance)

### Meeting Agenda:

Reports and Updates
Old and new business
Including apiary & summer
picnic

Speaker: Heather Achilles

"Update on 2019 NHBA Citizen Science Projects" Bee Talk/Q and A Brian Jasinski presiding

## President's Message:

### Hi Everyone,

It seems as though Mother Nature has finally decided to cooperate with the bees and the beekeepers. The bees are building up and the tarpaper and foam has been put away for the summer.

I am so excited about this summer. In 2 weeks we will be enjoying each other's company at the NHBA picnic. A month later we will celebrate KBA and summer at the Ramspott farm. These are great events and I hope to see all of you there.

Oh yeah, there is also the bees. Summer brings a new bee year, a new club apiary schedule, and new plans, hopes and goals. Some of us are planning to graft Queens for the first time. Others will be making their first splits. A brave few will be chasing down swarms. The growth I see in our beekeepers is as rewarding as the honey is sweet. I hope all of you are as excited as I am about 2019.

See you soon, Shane



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#### **5/11/19 KBA Minutes**

Shane Howard – President

Last month's minutes –
Correction – Kim advised only for the website update
Minutes approved

Treasurer's report – balance of \$7,949.73. Only expense is \$200 insurance payment. Suggestion for the club to purchase a 10 X 10 pop up tent – all in favor. Shane will purchase.

Discussion on future spending of the club. No proposals for votes.

#### Officers' Reports

VP – Attendance at Wednesday Apiary gathering has been very good.

Monday – 5/13 planned clean up and fence moving starting at 4:30

Schedule for subjects matter at the Apiary can be found on the KBA website.

#### President –

Hive Loss – State, overall, down to 54% KBA was 72% and the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest to turn in surveys

There are now 7 kits being distributed for mite check.

NH Bee Association annual meeting will be June 15<sup>th</sup> at Muster Field Farm in Sutton \*Chuck Souther will be the speaker \*Rhea Carlson – Apitherapy \*Alden Marshall – Queen Marking \*Ben Chadwick – about mites \*Olivier Saunders – Nosema testing \*Kevin Sargent Smoker Lighting \*Colin from Wellscroft – fencing

As well as a BBQ Smoker Contest

### Must bring with you:

Bee Veil Lawn Chair Side dishes with serving spoon POP-UP tent if you have one.

New State Bee Inspector – David Preibe - very restricted budget for his services. Discussion on need for this as well as the job description for this position.

A discussion on the need for an Apiary Committee – further discussion needed Suggestion to post KBA events pm the KBA site every Monday – all agreed

KBA Summer BBQ – July 21 at the Apiary Committee will send email for food needs.

June meeting is canceled due to NH Bee gathering at Musterfield.\*

Submitted by Laurie Bride

\*This turned out not to be the case

Apiary meetings have been very successful. We now have the beginners reading frames, telling mentors in detail what they see, and then hand frame to a mentor to acknowledge and correct anything missed. The response and feedback from beginners is positive.

Brian Jasinski, Vice-President

# **Upcoming dates to remember:**

NHBA SUMMER PICNIC
SATURDAY, JUNE 15, 10 AM-3 P.M.
MUSTER FIELD FARM, HARVEY RD.
NORTH SUTTON Pot luck sides & desserts.
Meat, beverages, plates provided.

KBA SUMMER PICNIC SUNDAY, JULY 21 AT CLUB APIARY 223 NORTH ROAD, SUNAPEE. Details via separate notice.

NH Beekeepers Association 2019 Member Registration Form (Duration: January 2019- December 2019)

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