

Raleigh County Beekeepers Cooperative Association

Raise Your Own Queens



Dates: Friday, May 21, 2021 & Saturday, May 22, 2021

Time: Friday, May 21, 2021 6:00PM to 8:00PM
Saturday, May 22, 2021 11:00AM to 2:00PM

Location: **Friday, May 21, 2021**, Raleigh County Schools Central Office, Munson Hal, 105 Adair Street, Beckley, WV 25801
Saturday, May 22, 2021, Raleigh County Schools Apiary Yard, Cool Ridge, WV

The Queen Rearing course is being offered by the Raleigh County Beekeepers Cooperative Association. Space is limited to 10 participants.

Course Prerequisite: Beekeeping experience greater than two years

Recommended: Previous Intermediate/Advanced beekeeping course or equivalent beekeeping experience greater than two years

Course Instructor: Mark Lilly is the current President of the Raleigh County Beekeepers Cooperative Association. Mr. Lilly is also a West Virginia Master Beekeeper and an EAS Master Beekeeper. He is currently a beekeeper/educator for the Appalachian Beekeeping Collective, managing over 500 colonies.

This course will consist of a Friday evening and a Saturday session. The first session will be Friday, May 21, 2021 and will consist of an instructional course on queen rearing. Participants will be provided a handout for notes and as a reference guide. The second session will be Saturday, May 22, 2021 and will be a hands-on session in which participants will graft queens. Participants will be provided their own grafting tool, cell bar, grafting station and (15) queen cell cups but must bring their own medium or deep frame. The first class will run from 6:00PM to 8:00PM on Friday, May 21, 2021 and will be held at the Raleigh County Board of Education Central Office located at 105 Adair Street, Beckley, WV 25801. The second class will run from 11:00AM to 2:00PM on Saturday, May 22, 2021 at the Raleigh County School Apiary Yard in Cool Ridge, WV. In case of inclement weather, the Saturday class would be rescheduled for another Saturday and participants would be notified via email.

Note: Participants would be able to pick up larvae cells on Sunday, May 23, 2021 (time to be determined) or Pick up capped cells on Thursday, May 27, 2021 (time to be determined). All unclaimed cells become property of the Raleigh County Beekeepers Cooperative Association.

Course fees are as follows:

- \$85 per student for non-members pre-registered (Pre-registration January 21, 2021 to May 10, 2021)
- \$70 per student for RCBCA members, pre-registered
- \$80 per student for RCBCA members, non pre-registered
- \$90 per student 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
- Reduced honey extraction fees for extractions through the Raleigh County Schools Extraction Center
- 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
- Honey and beekeeping supplies sales opportunities
- Fellowship with local beekeepers
- Discounts at RCBCA classes and WVBA conferences

To register for the Intermediate/Advanced 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:

- _____ \$85 Non-member, student pre-registered (January 21 to May 10, 2021)
- _____ \$70 RCBCA Member, student pre-registered
- _____ \$80 RCBCA Member non-pre-registered
- _____ \$90 Non-member, 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.