CCBA NEWS

Regular meeting is 3rd Wednesday of month at 6:30 pm

Clark County Indiana Fairgrounds Food Building

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Next meeting's agenda

March 15@6:30 pm

set up and preparing for new bees



Meeting Minutes

21 members were present

Dale Graf, Mike Hebner, and Wendell Raney demonstrated and talked about swarm catching boxes and swarm/bee combining devices and methods.

Swarming season starts around March.

Dale brought in an empty hive and went through the naming of different parts and their purposes. He demonstrated Boardman feeders and internal jar feeders. He also brought in an empty package and demonstrated how the purchased package of bees are handled and moved into the new hive.

Simon Kafari presented information on the Clark County Extension Beekeeping Workshop. The Clark County Extension is sponsoring a beekeeping workshop in March and April. Beekeeping experts and beekeeping supplies companies including Purdue University, Dadant & Sons Inc., Bastin Honey Bee Farm, LLC, New Albany Honey & Apiary and the Beekeepers of Indiana will teach these classes.

For more information, see:

Clark County Extension website - https://extension.purdue.edu/clark/Pages/default.aspx

Clark County Facebook page - https://www.facebook.com/PurdueExtensionClarkCounty/? fref=ts

Clark County Extension Ag Advisory Council Facebook page - https://www.facebook.com/ClarkCountyAGCouncil/

Simon made several catalogues of beekeeping supplies as well as flyers and product cards from local bee suppliers available for the members. Also available was information from Purdue regarding transport of farm supplies and produce.

Leigh Ann and Angie brought cookies and coffee.

The new donation box was well received. Thanks for the donations. This money will be used to enhance the meetings, club activities, as well as a good start on legal and insurance fees.

Tentative future meeting agenda includes:

April -- installing bees in a hive

May -- hive check