

New Beekeepers Seminar

Mark Antunes

- 7:30-8:30 Registration and Refreshments
- 8:30-8:45 Welcome & Organizational Remarks – **CCBA Officers**
- 8:45 - 10:35 Beekeeping is Fun
Cost and Time Commitment
Equipment Needed
Ordering Equipment
Assembling Equipment
- 10:35 - 11:00 Break
- 11:00 - 12:15 Where can you have hives?
Preparing for Packages
Installing Bees
Stimulating Wax and Brood Production
Moving Hives
- 12:15 - 1:15 Lunch – Westtown Dining Room
- 1:15 - 3:05 How To Find The Queen
Will You Get Stung?
How To Work Your Bees and Examine Your Hive
Keeping Your Smoker Lit
- 3:05 - 3:30 Break
- 3:30 - 4:30 Honey Production
Nectar Sources
Extracting Honey
Integrated Pest Management (IPM)
What about the Winter?
Registering Your Hives
Sources of Information
Q & A
- 4:30 - 4:50 Door Prizes and complete Evaluation Form
- 4:50 - 5:00 Closing Comments

Note: Topics subject to change based on group interest.

Advanced Beekeepers Seminar

- 7:30 – 8:30 Registration and Refreshments
- 8:30 – 8:45 Welcome & Organizational Remarks
CCBA Officers
- 8:45 – 9:45 You and the Beekeeping Industry:
Things You Should Know
Mike Thomas
- 9:45 – 10:40 Colony Collapse and the Current State of Beekeeping
Ross Conrad
- 10:40 – 11:00 Break
- 11:00 – 11:55 Things You Can Do To Improve Your Apiary
Mike Thomas
- 11:55 – 12:40 Natural/Organic Varroa Mite Control
Ross Conrad
- 12:40 – 1:30 Lunch – Westtown Dining Room
- 1:30 – 2:20 Queens and Queen Rearing Programs
Mike Thomas
- 2:20 – 3:10 Working with Swarms and the Swarming Instinct
Ross Conrad
- 3:10 – 3:30 Break
- 3:30 – 4:30 Panel Discussion & Questions
Ross Conrad, Mike Thomas & CCBA Senior Beekeepers
- 4:30-4:50 Door Prizes and complete Evaluation Form
- 4:50-5:00 Closing Comments