

# June 2014 Bee-Con News

## What you need to know

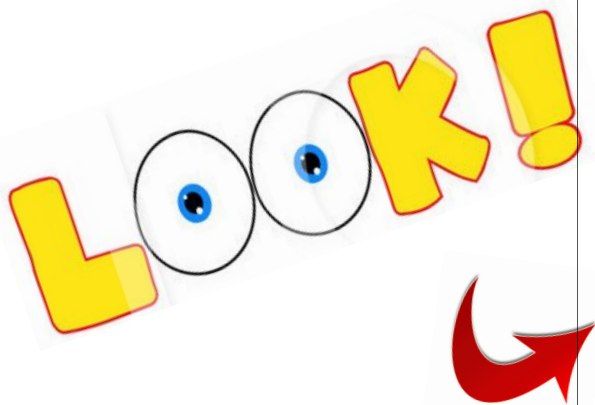
The Johnston County Beekeepers Association meets the third Monday of each month at 7:00pm at the Johnston County Agricultural Center  
2736 NC 210 Hwy.,  
Smithfield, NC.

**Website:** [www.jacobee.org](http://www.jacobee.org)

Our website is a great resource for information, upcoming events and beekeeping help.

## Officers for 2014:

President ~ Chip Braswell  
Vice President ~ Kim Underhill  
Secretary ~ Sharon Noles  
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2<sup>nd</sup> Director ~ Jim Dempster  
3<sup>rd</sup> Director ~ Ronnie Fish  
Public Relations Representatives:  
Billy Wiggs & Charles Kneeshaw



Meeting:  
Monday 16th

## Live Honey Extraction Demo!



Find them at: [Triadbeesupply.com](http://Triadbeesupply.com)  
Call: 336-475-5137 talk to John or Keith  
They offer everything you will need for your  
beekeeping hobby!

John and Keith are taking orders for all your  
beekeeping needs now!

They will deliver your orders (**free shipping**) to our  
club the evening of our June Meeting for you to  
pick up...

AND

They are donating **5%** of all sales back to our  
club!

So order, order, order!



**Yeah!**  
**Free Money**

## In and around the Bee Yard

This section is to highlight some considerations for your apiary this time of year. For specifics, it is suggested that you read, research, talk to other beekeepers as well as document what you do so you can refer back and decide what works best for you and your bees.

### **Honey Bee Activity: June (Honey Bees)**

Bees will be looking for food sources.  
Robbing will begin and increase and nectar sources dwindle.

### **Beekeeper Duties:**

- Main nectar flow starts to dwindle---fewer supers needed
- Extract honey and put "wet" supers back on hives late in day to limit robbing.
- Start late-season splits during last half of June; **feed splits initially, even if there is nectar available**
  - Control small hive beetle population (hahaha)
  - Keep water for bees constantly available
- Equalize hive strengths, boost weak hives up and reduce entrances to help with robbing

### **Beekeeper Activities:**

**Attend club meeting and get involved.**

**-Call your State Bee Inspector** and set an appointment for later in the year for them to come out and inspect your hive WITH YOU.

- Keep records up to date

--Mentor a new Beekeeper & plan to attend the **Summer NCSBA meeting in July.**

### **What's Blooming this month?**

Not much blooming this month in the Piedmont these days:

Sweet Clover

Sourwood

For more information check out [ncbeekeepers.org](http://ncbeekeepers.org) and the website's new look!





## Important Dates, Events & Activities for 2014

### Johnston County Beekeepers 2014 Program Agenda

(programs/speakers may be subject to change)

**June 16th:** Honey Extraction– Triad Bee Supply

**July 18: FRIDAY:** Tour de Hive: Summer Tour:

Bayer Bee Care Center Tour/ Lunch @ Busy Bee Café/ Ronnie Fish's—Pick your own Berry Farm

**August 18th:** Danny & Mary Jaynes: How to prepare for and enter the State Fair: step by step

**Sept 15th :** Tom Underhill—Live lip balm making demo

**Oct 20th:** A fun mystery program: Assassination of a Queen

**Nov: 17th:** Candle Making demo

**Dec 15th:** Annual Christmas Banquet



**July 2014**

**NCSBA Summer Meeting: July10-12**

Wilkes County Community College

Visit web: [www.ncbeekeepers.org](http://www.ncbeekeepers.org) for more details

## National Honey Bee Day! August 16th, 2014

There are several events that are scheduled around the area to honor our state insect,  
the Wonderful Honey Bee.

Check them out, participate and support!

- Beekeepers of the Neuse, in Wayne County is hosting a National Honey Bee Day event Aug. 16. We're inviting other area clubs to come & join us. Contact me at this address & we'll talk about particulars or feel free to call, [919-922-4341](tel:919-922-4341). Thanks so much & I look forward to hearing from you. Beverly Keen, Program Coordinator Beekeepers of the Neuse.
- Raleigh State Farmer's Market: Bailey Bee Supply will also be celebrating and is inviting area clubs to come out and join them. Contact David or Jan at Bailey Bee Supply, 919-241-4236 or 919-977-0901 for details and how you can participate.

# VIP



## **Amie Newsome**

Our very own Queen Bee graduated in May 2014!

She achieved her Master's Degree!

Yeah Amie! Awesome Job! You Rock!

Congratulations!

We love you and are very proud of you!



Supporting people who support us!



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Ronnie's Berry Farm  
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**\$4<sup>LB.</sup>** AVAILABLE  
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WED. / FRI. / SAT.  
**8AM - 1PM**

OR BY APPOINTMENT

## GRAPES



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