President’s Message ~ January 2018

Here we are in the year 2018. This year started with some bone chilling cold here in New England. Hopefully, you were able to protect your bees and you checked that they had plenty of feed. Keep a close eye on them until spring breaks.

The MBA Board of Directors will have met in late January to get all of the details worked out for the spring meeting in Topsfield on March 17th. More information will follow in the newsletter. The Directors also accepted Renae Barton, Corresponding Secretary’s resignation. She did a great job keeping our newsletter fresh, bright, and full of important information. Thankfully, the Directors were fortunate that Renae actually found her own replacement. The Directors welcomed Lucy Tabit who will step into Renae’s shoes and provide us with the same great newsletter and thoughtful commentary.

Looking ahead, we will have our spring meeting in Topsfield, the Franklin County “Field Day” at UMass in June and our fall meeting in November at Bristol Community College. We will certainly keep you abreast of the meetings in the newsletter. As always, let us know if there is something you want to have presented at one of the meetings, we will accommodate.

The Legislative Committee is working diligently with the various State Representatives helping to craft comprehensive legislation that will help the environment from the misuse of pesticides, thus creating less stress on the bee population. Please let us know of any honeybee concerns that might occur in your local area. We try to assist all bee associations across the state with all the resources that we have available.

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My final thought in this message is one of MBA business structure. At our fall meeting this year we will be electing officers per our by-laws for President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer. Currently we have some great folks filling those positions and hopefully they will continue for their second term. With that being said, we must ask of every member in this organization if they would take a turn at the helm of this association.

If you have any interest please let our nomination committee know and get involved with the nuts and bolts of the Directors. Attend their meetings and give input for their consideration. New ideas and various outlooks make an association like MBA better, stronger and more enjoyable for everyone.

Peter Delaney, President
Massachusetts Beekeepers Association

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Mass Bee Spring Meeting Guest Speakers

Friday March 16, 2018  Speakers’ Dinner
Essex County Bee Building at the Topsfield Fair Grounds

6:00 PM:  Dinner: Italian Buffet for early arriving members, speakers and vendors; RSVP by Monday, March 9th.  $15 charge per person at the door (cheese & veggie plates for reception prior to dinner; a variety of pastas, salad, bread, dessert, beer and wine, coffee & tea)

7:30 PM:  Speaker: Dr. Robert Bruker from the Rowland Institute will present some of his research into the microbiome of honeybees and the effect of pesticides.

RSVP by MARCH 11 for the Speakers’ Dinner to:

president@massbee.org

Silent Auction items needed - Please bring your donated items Saturday morning

Registration Required

MBA requires meeting registration in order to get a head count prior the meetings.

Please send a simple email which will helps us with table setup and food requirements.

Walk-in’s are discouraged but will be allowed.

Registrations are required:

• Dinner Pre-Registration: $15 per person for the Friday by Friday March 11th – to reserve a seat or dinner email Peter

• Lunch Pre-Registration: $10 per person for the Saturday’ by Friday March 9th – to reserve a seat or lunch email Alex

Mass Bee Spring Meeting
At – a – Glance

March 16-17, 2017

Location: Topsfield Fairgrounds, Boston St., Topsfield MA

Friday March 16th 6pm – 8pm
Essex County Bee Building
• Speakers’ Dinner and talks by Dr. Bruker

Saturday March 17th 8am-4pm
Coolidge Hall
• Presentations by Heather Mattila, Kirsten Traynor and Kim Skyrm.

There will also be a membership meeting at 1 pm followed by the BOD meeting.  Vendors and a silent auction will be on site.  Pre-registration is encouraged; registration and application forms can be found at the end of this newsletter.

This is a free event all are welcome.
Mass Bee Spring Meeting Guest Speakers

Saturday March 17th
Mass Bee Spring Meeting Program
Topsfield Fairgrounds, Coolidge Hall
US Route 1  Topsfield, MA 01983

8:00 AM – Registration, Members Meet & Greet
Coffee, treats and settling in

9:00 AM – Peter Delaney; President’s Welcome

Speakers:
Kirsten Traynor – of Flickerwood Apiary, beekeeper, scientist, and now the editor of American Bee Journal.
"Winter Losses Below 5%: What We Can Learn from German Beekeepers" and "The Complex Web of Colony Decline: What’s Killing the Bees"

Heather Mattila - Wellesley Associate Professor of Biological Sciences and honeybee ecologist.
"Update on Honey Bee Nutrition Research" and "Audacious Visions for the Future of Bees and Beekeeping"

Kim Skyrm - Report by the Chief Apiary Inspector

12:00 PM – Lunch (pre-registration $10 by Friday March 9th)
(tomato basil soup, caesar salad, cold cut platter, pickles & chips, dessert, coffee, tea, and water)

1:00 PM – Mass Bee Membership Meeting
Speaker’s afternoon talks, silent auction and raffle!

3:35 PM – Board of Directors meeting.

4:00 PM - Adjourn.

RSVP by MARCH 9 for the lunch to: treasurer@massbee.org
For additional details and updates go to www.massbee.org/events/spring-meeting/

"Life is the flower for which love is the honey."
— Victor Hugo

Recommended Hotels for Mass Bee Visitors

SpringHill Suites by Marriott Boston-Peabody
Address: (US 1 North), 43 Newbury St, Peabody, MA 01960
Phone: (978) 535-5000

Homewood Suites by Hilton Boston-Peabody
Address: 57 Newbury St, Peabody, MA 01960
Phone: (978) 536-5050

Hampton Inn Boston Peabody
Address: 59 Newbury St, Peabody, MA 01960
Phone: (978) 536-2020

Silent Auction items needed - Please bring your donated items Saturday morning.
It was spring 2017. Reports of heavy winter losses were coming in from around Norfolk County.

I took an informal survey of NCBA members – How many colonies did you have going into winter? How many survived? Do you know what killed them? Did you test/treat for mites, when and with what? The survey showed losses among those who responded to be a disturbing 41%. Even more disturbing were some of the answers I got, answers that indicated that beekeepers do not fully understand the threat Varroa mites pose to our bees. Shortly after that, MDAR posted survey results reporting Massachusetts losses were 44%. This bothered me. I had also been reading a lot about the horizontal transmission of mite-vectored viruses to other colonies by drifting bees.

I set out to have a conversation with other beekeepers about what we could do to reduce those loss numbers, and increase awareness of the threats untreated bees pose to other people’s bees. Kim Skyrm arranged a conference call between 10 beekeepers who were interested, and in the course of the conversation, it was mentioned that a small neighborhood cluster of beekeepers in Central Massachusetts were talking to each other and coordinating mite treatments when they were needed.

That’s it, I thought – we need a way to identify groups of beekeepers in geographical areas and get them to coordinate testing and treatment. I mentioned this at a class I was giving on mite control, and it happened that Eric Studer, NCBA’s librarian, was in the room and immediately became interested. Eric has experience with Geographic Information Systems and knew just what we could do.

The NCBA board approved the expenditure of $1000: $695 for a mapping software package called Maptitude, and $300 for a premium survey package from Survey Monkey. Eric felt that this project would give us the opportunity to collect some useful data from the participants. Our goals are to: 1) Track colony survival rates year-to-year; 2) Document current mite control practices; 3) Identify the location of all apiaries in Norfolk County;
County; and 4) Collect contact information from beekeepers interested in participating in Varroa Control Groups (VCGs). Disclosure of apiary locations is a sore subject with some beekeepers, so I made the promise to the club that we would not share any location information with anyone outside of the project. I also promised to not judge anyone based on their treatment practices, only to try to help them.

We sent out close to 1,000 emails to known or suspected beekeepers; we got back about 210 responses. We learned that the preferred mite treatment is Mite-Away Quick Strips (MAQS), followed by vaporized Oxalic Acid (OAV), and MAQS and OAV in combination at different times.

Other treatments were also used, even some that are no longer recommended for use because of resistance. We found that the loss rate among the respondents was 40% for treated colonies and 89% for untreated colonies!

Next, the location of each apiary was plotted on a map of Norfolk and surrounding counties in the Maptitude software. Various symbols were used to identify loss rate and whether or not the apiary was treated for mites. We found that the higher losses did occur with decreasing distance to untreated apiaries, as current research predicts.

We then divided the county into 5 VCGs – choosing a grouping radius turned out to be very difficult. We asked for volunteers, and assigned a group coordinator to each of the 5 VCGs (see Fig. 1). Their job would be to maintain contact lists and facilitate communications in their group. These group leaders organized group meetings to demonstrate testing and treatment methods, and coordinated treatments when a group member reported high mite counts. We won't know about survival rates until spring, but we have realized some valuable benefits already, such as improved communication between beekeepers, volunteer opportunities for club members, heightened awareness of neighboring apiaries and sensitivity to the impact one's bees have on neighboring bees. We also were able to reach out to non-NCBA beekeepers and get them involved in the project (see Fig. 2). Beekeepers are communicating mite test results and coordinating treatments. A group of “no-treatment” beekeepers on the outskirts of the county have now changed their philosophy and have begun mite testing and treatment.

I'll have some new survival data for this past winter and more details on the specifics next newsletter. The project is just in its beginning phases – we hope to get more beekeepers on board as the word gets out.

We truly believe that this project will improve colony survival rates in Norfolk County. We’re happy to share information with other clubs – contact me at lunariafarm@outlook.com. I’d love to see the whole state of Massachusetts eventually doing something like this. -Ed

**Fig. 2 Varroa Results Map as of April 28, 2017**
Legislative Update – January 2018

There are no new legislative developments to report regarding Representative Carolyn Dykema’s bill, H.4041 - An Act to protect Massachusetts pollinators since the fall update. However, on the scientific and research fronts, evidence continues to emerge that demonstrates that neonicotinoids are not only detrimental to pollinators but also to birds, fish, amphibians, reptiles, invertebrate species and other species not only in the Chesapeake Bay but in the Great Lakes as well. Therefore, a recap of what has transpired, thus far, regarding the bill, during the 190th General Court might be useful.

In January of last year, Representative Dykema re-filed H.2113, An Act to Protect Massachusetts Pollinators and it was co-sponsored by an unprecedented 135 legislators. Subsequently, in a further demonstration of support, Senator Jamie Eldridge filed an identical companion bill, S.2164, An Act protecting Massachusetts pollinators. On June 16. H.2113 was assigned to the Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture (ENRA) and on October 3, 2017 a hearing on H.2113 was held at the Statehouse. The testimony in favor of H.2113 was very well received by ENRA.

H.2113 was subsequently unanimously approved and reported favorably by ENRA. As a result, it arrived at the House Ways and Means Committee on November 20, 2017 and, in the process, received a new bill number. The new bill number is H.4041 - An Act to protect Massachusetts pollinators. The focus now is to get H.4041 successfully through the House Ways committee and on to the next steps in the process. To learn more about the legislative process please refer to How An Idea Becomes A Law - Massachusetts Legislature and The Legislative Process in Massachusetts. H.4041 is at the beginning of the “Three Readings” phase of a bill’s journey on it’s way to becoming law.

H.4041 seeks to limit the use of the neonicotinoid class of systemic pesticides to licensed pesticide applicators only. It also contains a disclosure component that gives consumers the information they need to opt out of purchasing pesticide application services where neonicotinoids are used. The states of Maryland and Connecticut have already passed similar legislation and other states are also considering it. It is common sense legislation whose time has arrived.

By Clifford Youse, Plymouth County Beekeepers Association

The bee is more honored than other animals, not because she labors, but because she labors for others.

– Saint John Chrysostom
Message from Kim Skyrm, MA Chief Apiary Inspector

MDAR Apiary Program Update for Mass Bee Newsletter – Spring 2018

It was a very exciting year for the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources (MDAR) Apiary Program given the addition of a new state apiary, student interns, launch of the Varroa Mite Education Program, and an updated website. Through collaboration with the University of Massachusetts (UMass) Stockbridge School of Agriculture, the Apiary Program mentored 2 undergraduate student interns this bee season. These students were responsible for assisting the Apiary Team in managing the State Apiaries located in Amherst, MA and Danvers, MA and taking samples for the USDA Honey Bee Survey which represents data from 24 apiaries (240 colonies) across the Commonwealth.

During 2017, the Apiary Program also launched a Varroa Mite Education program consisting of the newly created Varroa Mite Management brochure and giving out 1,768 mite wash jars to beekeepers. This program was a huge success and something we will continue to include as part of the program. In an effort to provide technical assistance and continuing education, the Apiary Inspection Team also delivered 56 outreach educational programs to 2,557 stakeholders across the Commonwealth, including our monthly State Apiary beekeeping management themed programs. These programs were so popular that we will be offering them again this year from April-October on the same dates/times at both State Apiary locations. For more information, visit the newly renovated Apiary Program website: https://www.mass.gov/apiary-program-honey-bees.

The new Apiary Program website can now provide you with a better update on resources and information related to honey bee health, honey production and pollination. On the website, you will also find a link to the Massachusetts Honey Bee Survey April 2017-April 2018. I encourage you to fill out this survey so that we can gather local data on honey bee health.

It was also a very busy inspection season again this year for the Apiary Program Team. During 2017, a total of 527 inspection requests were received using the new online form and 27 using the existing paper form. A total of 96 apiaries were registered using the new online form. In an effort to ensure honey bee health in the Commonwealth, the Apiary Program Team of 5 inspectors traveled 22,685 miles to visit a total of 636 beekeepers (4,059 colonies) situated across 13 counties (225 cities). During these inspections, honey bee colonies were examined for the pests, parasites and pathogens.

The following is a summary of the 2017 colony health inspection data. The values listed represent the total number of colonies detected with the health issue. Note that some colonies may have had multiple health issues. I encourage you to visit the Apiary Program website to obtain a more detailed summary of the 2017 colony health inspection data. Please note that all results from the 2017 USDA Honey Bee Survey have not been received to date and as such may affect the data shown in the following table.

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I also encourage you to submit your 2018 Inspection Request online form now to assist us with scheduling. If you have a Dead-Out colony, be sure to review the newly created Managing Dead-Outs handout on the Apiary Program website to diagnose the issue. If you would like an inspection of your Dead-Out, please submit an online Inspection Request form and describe the condition of the colony in the “Additional Information” section at the bottom of the form. An Apiary Inspector will contact you to setup an inspection as soon as possible after your request is received.

We look forward to seeing you, your bees and providing support during 2018! Bee Well,

-The MDAR Apiary Program Team

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Apiary Regulations - from MDAR

Proposed revisions in the Apiary Regulations come forward again

From MDAR:
In an effort to be transparent and keep you updated on the progress of the Apiary Regulations, MDAR has decided to re-open the revision process of these specific regulations by holding an additional stakeholder meetings and public comment period/hearing.

The goal of this additional stakeholder meeting is to get input on the revised draft of the regulations.

These regulations have been revised using the public comments provided from the 2017 stakeholder meetings and public hearing.

This additional stakeholder meeting has been scheduled for the following date, time and location. We hope you can join us for this meeting.

**Stakeholder Meeting 1**
- **Date:** Monday, February 12th 2018
- **Time:** 2pm-4pm
- **Place:** Massachusetts Department of Fisheries and Wildlife Building,
  Room 108, 1 Rabbit Hill Road ~ Westborough, MA 01581

**Stakeholder Meeting 2**
- TBD (at the time of printing of this newsletter, this info was not yet published)
- at a location in Worcester
- on a weekday
- during the evening hours

**Public Hearing:**
- TBD (at the time of printing of this newsletter, this info was not yet published)

The **EXISTING** regulation is listed [HERE](#).
The **REVISED draft regulation changes** can be found [HERE](#):

*All beekeepers are encouraged to read the State regulations and proposed draft*
SAVE THE DATE! Upcoming Events and Meetings

March 3rd  All-Day Conference hosted by Worcester County Beekeepers Association. This event is FREE to members; non-members may pay $10 to attend or may join the WCBA for $15. Lunch $10.
Time: 9am - 3:30pm
Place: Leicester Knights of Columbus Hall, 91 Manville St., Leicester, MA 01524
Speakers: Dr. Jay Evans - Research Leader, USDA-ARS Bee Research Lab
Dr. Keith Delaplane - University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences

March 16-17th 2-Day Conference – Massachusetts Beekeepers Association – hosted by ECBA
This is a free event: all are welcome to attend. Pre-registration is encouraged.
Times: 3/16/18 – 6pm to 8pm and 3/17/18 – 8am-4pm
Place: Topsfield Fairgrounds, US Route 1 Topsfield, MA 01983
Speakers: Heather Mattila - Wellesley College; Kirsten Traynor - American Bee Journal Editor; and Kim Skyrm Ph.D—Chief Apiary Inspector
For additional details and updates go to https://www.massbee.org/events/spring-meeting/

March 27th  Ag Day On The Hill hosted by Massachusetts Farm Bureau
Time: 9:30am – 3pm
Place: Massachusetts State House, 24 Beacon St., Boston MA 02133
Contact: Susan Robinson at smrbus10@msn.com if you are available to help or for more info

May 6th  Bee Day
Time: 2pm
Place: Clark Art Institute Auditorium – 225 South Street, Williamstown, MA 01267
Panel Discussion: Senior Educator Amanda Bell-Goldmakher moderates the discussion on what role does the modern museum play in the landscape and community in which it resides. How does leadership navigate the delicate line between stewardship and evolution? Director Olivier Meslay joins Grounds Manager Matthew Noyes and local beekeeper Dave Thayer to discuss these questions as they relate to the museum’s mission and fledgling honeybee project, “Clark Buzz.” Visitors have the opportunity to learn more about the Clark’s ongoing commitment to sustainability and ask questions during a one-hour discussion.

June 16th  Mass Bee Field Day – DETAILS TO COME

August 11th  Board of Directors Meeting – DETAILS TO COME

October 27th  Board of Directors Meeting – DETAILS TO COME

November 17th  Mass Bee Fall Meeting – Bristol Community College -DETAILS TO COME

If you have an event you would like listed, please contact correspondingsecretary@massbee.org
Ag Day on the Hill hosted by MA Farm Bureau
Tuesday March 27th 2018
Notice by Susan Robinson

Every year Mass Bee sends a contingent of Beekeepers to distribute small jars of honey and promote Beekeeping to every state Legislator and Representative at the State House in Boston.

We need your help, to accomplish this task.

I am asking each county club to contribute two 8oz. cases of unlabeled honey for distribution. 2018 Labels will be printed and each county that contributes will be named on this label.

I plan to attend the spring Mass Bee meeting in March, and to accept your club’s donation. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns.

If anyone is available to help volunteer and hand out Jars of Honey on Ag Day, please contact me at smrbus10@msn.com with “Ag Day” in the subject line.

Thank You,

Susan Robinson, NCBA

Spring Meeting Important Info:

The Saturday Silent Auction depends on your support to help give something back to Mass Bee ~

Bee sure to also check out the raffle items on Saturday!

Won’t you help?

Silent Auction items needed.

Please bring your donated items Saturday morning

Proceeds from both the silent auction and raffle help offset the costs of the meetings.

“For bees, the flower is the fountain of life. For flowers, the bee is the messenger of love.”

- Kahlil Gibran

To have your notice included in the next newsletter, please contact correspondingsecretary@massbee.org
The Mass Bee Spring Meeting will bring exciting & educational speakers! This 2 day event will be held at the Topsfield Fairgrounds, 207 Boston Street, Topsfield MA 01983

**Friday March 16** 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM: SPEAKERS’ DINNER / Essex County Bee Building at the Topsfield Fairgrounds with guest speaker Dr. Robert Bruker, Rowland Institute

**Saturday March 17** 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM: MASS BEE SPRING MEETING / Coolidge Hall at the Topsfield Fairgrounds with presentations by Heather Mattila—Wellesley College
Kirsten Traynor—American Bee Journal Editor
Kim Skyrm Ph.D—Chief Apiary Inspector

Membership meeting and BOD meeting along with vendors, raffle and silent auction!

RSVP by Monday, March 9th by emailing treasurer@massbee.org

For additional details and updates go to [https://www.massbee.org/events/spring-meeting](https://www.massbee.org/events/spring-meeting)

Interested Vendors MUST BE REGISTERED and contact corresponding secretary@massbee.org

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Massachusetts Beekeepers Association
2018 Spring Meeting Registration Form

NAME: _________________________________________________________________

ADDRESS: __________________________________________________________________

EMAIL:  ___________________________________________________________________

PHONE:   __________________________________

BEEKEEPING CLUB: ________________________________________________________

How Many Guests: ______ How Many Lunches: _____ Dinners: ______ Amount Included: ____________

*Friday March 16 – Speaker’s DINNER is $15 PER PERSON
*Saturday March 17 - LUNCH is $10 PER PERSON

Payment must be received by dates above

Mail this completed form to: treasurer@massbee.org

OR scan & email this completed form to: treasurer@massbee.org

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**Dinner Pre-Registration**: $15 per person by Friday March 16th – to reserve a seat and/or dinner, email Peter

**Lunch Pre-Registration**: $10 per person by Friday March 9th – to reserve a seat and/or lunch, email Alex
Massachusetts Beekeepers Association Membership Application

Application Date: _____________________________
Check #: ________ Amount: ___________________
Membership Year: ____________________________
New: _____________ Renewal: __________________

All Memberships run from January 1st through December 31st in a given year.

NAME(S): ___________________________________________________________________________

ORGANIZATION: ________________________________________________________________

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP TYPE:  Individual $ 15.00 ____________
                                   Family $ 20.00 ____________
                                   Organization $25.00 ____________

ADDRESS: __________________________________________________________

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EMAIL #1: __________________________________________________________________________

EMAIL #2: __________________________________________________________________________

PHONE: ____________________________________________________________________________

County Beekeeping Association: _______________________________________________________

Completed applications along with payment made out to the “MBA” should be mailed to:

MBA Memberships
PO BOX 234, Halifax, MA 02338

Applications may also be emailed to treasurer@massbee.org

This Membership Application can also be downloaded from our web site www.massbee.org

Annual membership dues are subject to change; please check our web site for current information.