

The Capital Bee

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One of the easiest pollinator friendly plantings is zinnias. "Cut and come again" varieties allow for a profuse amount of blossoms over the summer until frost. Plant and get ready for a plethora of color and visitors.

Beekeeper's Almanac

WHAT SHOULD WE BE DOING IN THE HIVES RIGHT NOW YOU ASK? WELL, HERE'S ANOTHER EXCERPT FROM "A CENTRAL KENTUCKY BEEKEEPERS CALENDAR" BY JOHN ANTENUCCI.



The "alcohol wash" method for checking varroa mite infestation is most accurate.

SUMMER SOLSTICE:

- ◆ Check bottom boxes for brood and stores and rotate if they're empty.
- ◆ Check queen- good laying pattern? (requeen)

SUMMER- JULY AND AUGUST:

- ◆ Pull honey supers and extract
- ◆ Treat for mites. (Click the following link for help [Honey Bee Health Coalition Varroa management](#))
- ◆ Begin summer feeding especially in dearth. (2-1 for production hives for Fall flow)



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2022 KY STATE FAIR HONEY BOOTH GUIDELINES

IF YOU PLAN TO SELL HONEY AT THE STATE FAIR YOU NEED TO READ THE GUIDELINES. CLICK THE IMAGE ABOVE FOR THE DETAILS.



Welsh Honey Judging At County Fair

Tana Peers (left) is a certified Welsh Honey Judge and judged the 2022 Franklin County Fair. [See the recording here.](#)



"Face it, Fred—you're lost."

You Just Gotta Smile

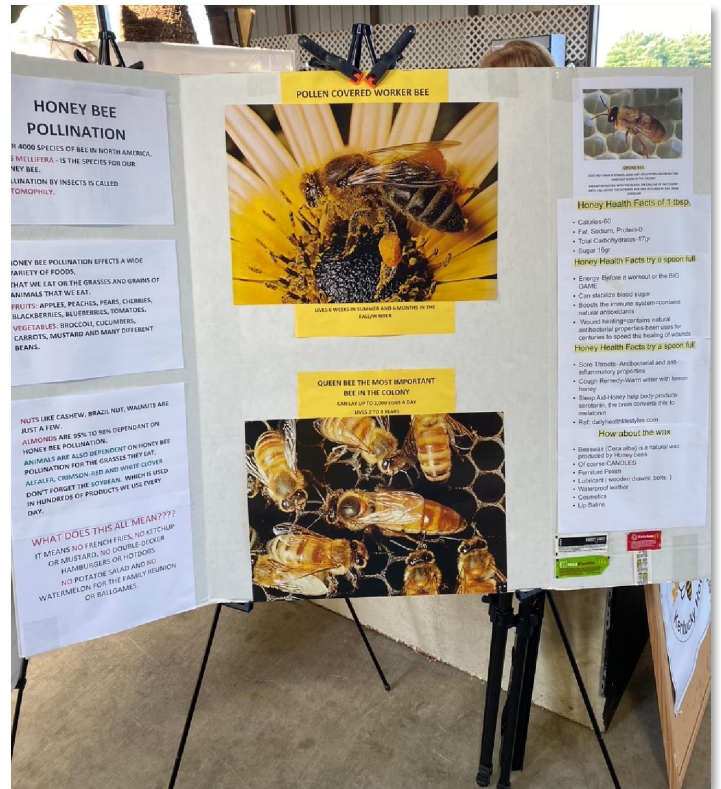
The 2022 Franklin County Fair

The 2022 Franklin County Fair took place July 19-23rd. With entries being accepted 18th. The Capital City Beekeepers sponsored again the Honey Division of the Fair. CCBA Fair liaison, Lynn Morris coordinated through out the year with fair board and the association on all aspects of the Division including new classes, i.e. Youth Division, Bee/ beekeeping themed Photography,

Mead, etc. The entries spilled over into the display case and was very welcomed. Youth and many adults entered for the first time. Tana Peers, Welsh Honey Judge, again did us the honor of judging this year. A FB Live recording can be seen on the CCBA FB page. Below is a pictorial anthology of the 2022 Franklin County Fair for the Capital City Beekeepers Association.



The Honey Display was split into two. When the display was filled with entries the remaining were placed into the Exhibition Display (above) which also included donations on loan from members. Included in the display were the original minutes and By laws of Frankfort Area Beekeepers accepted June 3, 1974.



Education and awareness of honey bees and beekeeping is always an endeavor of The Capital City Beekeepers. Above is one of two displays that was prominent in the Fair Exhibit this year. Thanks goes to Vice President Michael Wiley for his willingness to put together these presentations with much attention to detail.

The 2022 Franklin County Fair



Daisy and her Sidekick were on display again this year.



2022 Ms. Franklin County, Paige Flynn visited the Exhibit.

“Daisy” and her “little side kick” (top Left) made an appearance again after a couple years of absence for the display at the Fair. Sporting a jacket/ veil combination with gloves she is ready for the hive inspection. Her “side kick” is adorned in a full bee-suit also complete with gloves for the experience. Honey and candles along with other hive products, was sold many nights by members as seen in the photo below left. During that time members spoke with those that visited the exhibit hall and encouraged them to enter the raffle for the honey basket made up of donations from members.



From Left to right, Dan Ramey, Kay Daniels and George Fowler

The Honey Basket (below) was filled with member’s honey was raffled to a lucky entrant on Saturday morning.



CAPITAL CITY BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION
HONEY RAFFLE

Free to enter / 1 entry per person
Need not be present to win
Drawing on Saturday afternoon.
Winner will be notified by phone.

Please clearly write your name and phone number on back of your entry ticket.
Winner will also be posted on our Facebook Page.

Results for the Honey Division Entries for The 2022 Franklin County Fair

Grand Champion, Honey Division—

Jack Kuhn

Bottle Honey

Light

Blue Ribbon- Wes Henry, George Fowler, Lynn Morris

Red Ribbon- Jack Kuhn, Denise Boebinger

White Ribbon- Chris Kinley, Marsha Bezold

Amber

Blue Ribbon- Jack Kuhn, George Fowler

Chunk Comb Honey

Blue Ribbon- Jack Kuhn

Black Jar

Blue Ribbon- Chris keenly, Lynn Morris, Jack Kuhn

Encaustic Painting

Blue Ribbon- Jack Kuhn

Red Ribbon— Leigh Kuhn

Photography

Blue Ribbon- Lynn Morris (Best of show)

Blue Ribbon- Wes Henry

Youth Division Junior Miscellaneous Bee Item

Blue Ribbon- Georgia Mangan

Youth Division Intermediate Miscellaneous Bee Item

Blue Ribbon- Eli Mangan

Wax Block (1-5 pounds)

Blue Ribbon— Wes Henry

Red Ribbon- Jack Kuhn

Wax Candles

Blue Ribbon- George Fowler

Red Ribbon— Wes Henry

Molded Wax Item

Blue Ribbon- George Fowler

Honey Frame

Blue Ribbon- Jack Kuhn

Cut Comb

Blue Ribbon Jack Kuhn

Mead

Blue Ribbon- Michael Wiley

Needlework Bee Related

Blue Ribbon-Denise Boebinger

2022 AMERICAN HONEY QUEEN TO VISIT KENTUCKY



Lucy Winn, the 2022 American Honey Queen, will visit Kentucky, August 22-28. She will be a guest of Kentucky State Beekeepers Association, and will visit the Kentucky State Fair, speaking to fairgoers about the importance of honeybees to Kentucky agriculture and about how beekeepers' dedication drives honeybee pollination. She will show fairgoers how honey had a diverse range of functions, forms, and flavors through daily presentations.

Lucy is the 20-year-old daughter of Stephen and Lauren Winn of Carlisle, Pennsylvania. She is a sophomore at DeSales University, where she studies business management and marketing. Her family keeps backyard beehives, which sparked her passion for beekeeping. At school, Lucy tutors local students in math.

As the 2022 American Honey Queen, Lucy serves as a national spokesperson on behalf of the American Beekeeping Federation, a trade organization representing beekeepers and honey producers throughout the United States. The American Honey Queen speaks and promotes in venues nationwide, and, as such, Queen Lucy will travel throughout the United States in 2022.

The beekeeping industry touches the lives of every individual in our country. In fact, honeybees are responsible for nearly one-third of our entire diet, in regards to the pollination services that they provide for a large majority of fruits, vegetables, nuts and legumes. This amounts to nearly \$19 billion per year of direct value from honeybee pollination to United States agriculture.

For more information on Queen Lucy's Kentucky visit and to schedule an interview, contact Tom Ballinger at 270.999.1440.



2022 ABF Honey
Queen, Lucy Winn



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2022 KY STATE FAIR HONEY BOOTH PRICING

** Supplier will receive 70% of selling price*

HONEY CATEGORY SALE PRICE

EXTRACTED HONEY

8oz. Jar	\$10.00
1lb. Jar	\$14.00
1lb. Muth Jar	\$15.00
Pint Jar	\$17.00
2lb. Jar	\$24.00
2.5lb. Jar	\$26.00
Quart Jar	\$30.00
3lb. Jar	\$32.00
5lb. Jar	\$42.00
8oz. Bear	\$10.00
12oz. Bear	\$12.00
2oz. Bear	\$ 4.00

COMB HONEY

1lb. Jar	\$16.00
2lb. Jar	\$26.00
PINT Jar	\$21.00
2.5lb. Jar	\$28.00
Quart Jar	\$32.00
1lb. Box	\$14.00
Ross Round	\$14.00

CREAM HONEY

8oz. Jar	\$12.00
9oz. Jar	\$13.00
12oz. Jar	\$15.00
1lb. Jar	\$18.00

VARIOUS ITEMS

Lip Balm	\$3.00
Wax Per Pound	\$14.00
Pollen 8oz. Jar	\$10.00
Certified KY Honey Straws	\$ 0.50
Candy	\$ 0.25

(5 for \$1.00)

For members wishing to sell their honey at the State Fair, here are the posted prices. Please see the guidelines in the [Almanac Section](#) of this newsletter.

Capital City Beekeepers Association

Treasurer's Report

Prepared on July 21, 2022 for the July 26, 2022 Meeting

General

Beginning Balance (June 24, 2022) \$2252.74

Receipts

Dues (4 Ind.)	\$40.00
July Farmers Market Sellers Fees (3)	\$30.00
Sale of Honey Straws	<u>\$3.00</u>
Total Receipts	\$73.00

Expenditures

Purchase of honey straws	\$31.76
Purchase Of postage stamps	<u>\$24.00</u>
Total Expenditures	\$55.76

Currant Available Balance \$2269.98

Checking Account: \$2219.98

Cash change fund \$50.00

Notes:

Wilson check for July was 319.50 (5 participating members).

The treasurer maintains a \$50.00 cash change fund for use at meetings and events.

No interest has been reported on the checking account since March 30. CCU informs me that their system finally realized that ours was a **Community Business Account** which does not earn interest.

Educational Funds (Saving)

Beginning Balance (June 24, 2022) \$728.21

Receipts

Interest (6/30)	\$0.09
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Total Receipts \$0.09

Total Expenditures

NONE

Ending Balance

\$728.30

Submitted by:

George Fowler, Treasurer

Capital City Beekeepers Association Minutes

June 28th, 2022

June [2022] minutes

May minutes approved.

Treasure's report in newsletter. At Farmer's Market in May two people sold honey and in June four people sold honey. Also sold some honey straws and bumper stickers. Purchased easel, donuts, coloring books, honey straws, and flowers for Ken Daniels. In account \$2252.74, Wilson check went to two people. Credit Union has not credited interest but will get straightened out. Treasure's report approved.

Library-available now since we are having regular meetings.

Swarms-none. Low swarm year, let Marsha know if you want on the swarm list.

June honey booth- Eight members at the booth and four selling honey. The observation was there and it brings people in. Children's day and coloring books given to the children.

Hive painted by Staci and discussed how to auction off. Suggested to do July 14th Farm City Field Day 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Free meal and educational booth. Free to attend but have to pick up tickets. 400 to 600 people usually attend. Another option is Kentucky State Farm Day, July 21st. Can have a starting bid. Will be in a covered barn and tables provided. Keenan Bishop is the contact person. Club will check on these options to see if anybody interested. Committee to approve and McKenzie will run this by Keenan Bishop and get back to Wes.

Franklin County Fair, July 19th through July 23rd. We'll setup Monday the 18th from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Daisy make reappearance this year, she is our mannequin. We will have a child mannequin. Bring items for display at the fair, judging will be afterwards on Tuesday. All volunteers for the fair are invited to the luncheon on Tuesday after the judging. We will have a basket of honey to raffle off for free. Club already has raffle tickets to use. Several members volunteered to donate honey to the basket. Members can sell honey every night of the fair and can have honey tasting. Club wants to have honey tasting and sell honey. New categories have been added this year. Saturday from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM is the pick up time.

State Fair- August 23rd is clubs day at the Fair. Voted to cancel the club meeting that day.

4H is interested in starting a bee club. Agents cannot be leaders of clubs so adult volunteers are needed from August to May to lead monthly meetings. Need the volunteers to start and mentor 9 to 17 year old students. Volunteers will need to fill out paperwork and have background check. Denise Boebinger, Eddie McNutt, and Wes Henry volunteered.

Potluck- Think about what guest speaker you would like to have.

[Meeting Adjourned. Next meeting July 26th, 2022]

Minutes taken and submitted to Sec. Marsha Bezold in her absence, by Lynn Morris

CCBA Opportunities

CCBA Regular Meeting

July 26th, 2022

[Franklin County Extension Office](#)

101 Lakeview Ct., Frankfort, KY

6 p.m. Program, 7 p.m., Business Meeting



May CCBA Honey Booth

August 13th, 2022, 8:30-12 noon

[Franklin County Farmer's Market](#)



[Eastern Apiculture Society Conference 2022](#)

August 1-5, 2022

Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY



Eastern Apicultural Society

Honey Booth Work Day

[Kentucky State Fair](#)

August 23rd, 2022

West Wing Ky State Fair Grounds

