I believe we have finally turned the corner on spring. Today is the 9th of April, temps in the mid 70’s and the forecast says some good days to come. My bees are loving it!! Welcome back to our pollinators that have wintered in sunny California. I believe most are back, maybe just a few loads left.

New beekeepers, I hope your installing went well and things are good. Welcome to beekeeping. I caution you, this is very addictive. You start with just a couple and the first thing you know you’re at ten or so. Rabbit farming comes to mind (did that when I was young ended up with a whole shed full by fall!)

I have a lot that needs to come to everyone’s attention. State fair bids–I have completed the forms. It was done in three phases, and hopefully we have it all together in this month’s Buzz. Remember my phone is on and I will take your call concerning questions you may have. 515 293-2458. I have booked the AmericInn meeting room in Ames for July 1st. Address is 2507 SE 16th Ames Iowa. We will start at 1 pm. Members are welcome to witness.

Summer Field Day is just around the corner. We have limited space so if you want to go to this please register NOW. I know Eve has a great agenda planned out and I’m excited. This will be a great day to learn about beekeeping.

I have been told that the quilts will be done by Field Day so Jodi and I will be unveiling them there.

State fair sign up will be starting as well so be ready to get your spot and day you can help out at the state fair booth. I thank you all in advance for signing up and helping out. Remember the ticket at the gate is on us if you sign up. New beekeepers, you want to run a lemonade stand that sells lemonade by the glass as fast as you can pour it in a glass? Sign up and come help us out! It’s truly something you will remember and will be amazed at how much we sell.

I have a lot going on and my 4th grade all-day speech is looking me head on. I’m hoping to get my observation hive going soon and use that this year. It’s a fun and challenging day. Doing six 4th grade speeches is a challenge for a truck driver/part time beekeeper. Anyway, I will keep you all posted. It’s time to get this submitted to Ron and move forward with my day.

Let’s all bee kind, let’s all bee careful, let’s all bee a blessing! Roy Kraft, IHPA President
2017 Iowa Honey Producers Association Summer Field Day
Saturday, July 15, 2017
Wickiuphill Learning Center
10260 Morris Hill Road, Toddville, Iowa (north of Cedar Rapids)

Relying on GPS may lead you to an incorrect location. More details to follow in a future edition of The Buzz and website.

Registration: 8:30  Field Day: 9:00 – 4:15

Field Day Guest Speakers include: Dale Hill, Ph.D. from Illinois who will speak on “Nutrition for Honeybees” and “Midwest Plants for Honeybees” and Andy Joseph, Iowa’s State Apiarist, will provide an update on the state of Iowa’s honeybees. Afternoon session topics will feature how to make flavored creamed honey and what it means to have a certified kitchen; how to assemble equipment; and how to test for mites and use of various treatment methods. Meet the American Honey Queen, Maia Jaycox and Iowa Honey Queen, Carly Vannoy. Following the sessions, stay for an on-site extraction demonstration. This will be a full day of knowledge exchange for beekeepers of all levels. Please mark your calendar and remember to bring your bee gear.

A delicious lunch will be provided except for the dessert. YOU are asked to bring one to share! Bottled water, honey lemonade, and coffee will be available throughout the day.

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Registration:

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| Walk-in on July 15, 2017 (non-member) |  |
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Return this completed form together with your check payable to IHPA, by Friday, June 30, 2017 to:

Rhonda Heston, IHPA Treasurer  52735 187th Avenue  Chariton, IA 50049
The **2017 Summer Field Day** will be here before you know it! If this is the first time this event is on your radar, mark your calendar for **Saturday, July 15** from 8:30 AM to 4:15 PM. Our guest speakers include Dale Hill, Ph.D. from Illinois who will speak on “Nutrition for Honeybees” and “Midwest Plants for Honeybees” and Andy Joseph, Iowa’s State Apiarist, who will provide an update on the state of Iowa’s honeybees.

The event will be held at the **Wickiup Hill Learning Center located at 10260 Morris Hill Road, Toddville, Iowa**. The Learning Center is very easy to find and is handicap accessible. It is located just NW of the Cedar Rapids metropolitan area near Toddville. I-380 north to Blairs Ferry Road NE; west on Blairs Ferry to Feather Ridge Road; right (north) on Feather Ridge to Morris Hills Road; left (west) on Morris Hills Road - follow to the end of the road, the Center will be on your right (north). The facility is perfect for our event but seating is limited to 125.

If these two speakers don’t grab your interest, maybe the food will. What’s on the menu you ask? Pulled pork sandwiches accompanied by seven layer salad, party potatoes and a seasonal fruit salad. What? Fruit for dessert? No, YOU are asked to bring the dessert ... variety is the spice of life. How about using a recipe from the new IHPA cookbook? If at the end of the event all you find remaining on your serving plate are crumbs, you’ll know the dessert was a hit and you should enter it in the cooking contest at the annual meeting.

We will be amongst royalty at this event, American Honey Queen, Maia Jaycox and Iowa Honey Queen, Carly Van noy will be in attendance. Rest assured, you do not need to practice your curtseys but these fine ladies will ask a few minutes of your time during lunch to tell you about their adventures across the country and state. Feel free to visit with them before and after the event and enquire about their availability for events.

Lest I forget, president, Roy Kraft will address the group to provide an update on what is happening at the state level for our organization and other beekeeping topics on his mind. He is a hardworking president, always interested in what concerns you. Seek him out if you have a topic to discuss. How about honeybee healthcare or a boarder wall for honeybees?

But wait, the Summer Field Day doesn’t end after lunch and there will be no time for a cat nap as we have three breakout sessions for you to enjoy. Jerry Weldon, member of the Red Rock Beekeepers and Back-to-Basics Beekeeping Clubs will present on how to assemble equipment; Marlene Boernsen of the Northwest Iowa Beekeepers Club will demonstrate how to make flavored creamed honey. She will be coupled with Kurt Rueber of the Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals who will give us the skinny on what it means to have a “certified kitchen” and when one is required. Lastly, Bob Wolff will show how to test for Varroa mites and various treatments. Grab another dessert and head outside to where the bees are located, a short walk behind the learning center.

Indeed, all of that is a full day of beekeeping interest but there’s more if you have time. We all know the sweet reward of keeping bees is the honey. For those of you who haven’t yet extracted honey or want to see the process before you do it again, you’ll want to stick around for Gregg and Suzanne Lind’s extraction demonstration. Backyard beekeepers, you will quickly learn you do not need a special honey house for this process, your garage will do.

Before you leave, take a moment to walk around the Learning Center. There are interpretive trails from 1/8th of a mile to 2 ½ miles. Or check out the bird or wildlife viewing areas or the Native American Mounds. This piece of our state is a true gem and free for you to enjoy.

The Summer Field day will no doubt be worth the minimal cost of $35.00. Remember, the Learning Center caps our attendance at 125. We are sure to reach this number quickly so please take a moment to complete your registration and send your check payable to IHPA to Rhonda Heston, IHPA Treasurer, 52735 - 187th Avenue, Chariton, IA 50049.

I look forward to seeing you in July!  — Eve Vanden Broek, IHPA Vice President
Iowa Honey Producers Association
2017 Summer Field Day
Saturday, July 15, 2017
Wickiup Hill Learning Center, Toddville, Iowa

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9:00 AM  Welcome and Announcements
9:10 AM  State of Iowa Honeybees - Andy Joseph, State Apiarist
9:40 AM  Guest Speaker – Dale A. Hill, Ph.D.
“Nutrition for Honeybees” and
“Midwest Plants for Honeybees”
11:45 AM  Lunch with dessert buffet
12:15 PM  Message from IHPA President, Roy Kraft
12:45 PM  American Honey Queen, Maia Jaycox and Iowa Honey Queen, Carly Vannoy
12:55 PM  Afternoon sessions and rotation times
Start where you like
- Assemble Equipment - Jerry Weldon
- Flavored Creamed Honey - Marlene Boensmenv
Certified Kitchen - Kurt Rueber
- Test for Mites & Treatments - Bob Wolff
1:00 PM  Session 1   1:45 Rotate
1:50 PM  Session 2   2:35 Rotate
2:40 PM  Session 3   3:25 Rotate
3:30 PM  Extraction demonstration by Gregg and Suzanne Lind
4:15 PM  Another successful field day comes to an end
Thank you for coming!
I Get Around by Eve Vanden Broek

In 1964, the year I was born, The Beach Boys released a song entitled “I Get Around”. I am quite certain the majority of you are familiar with the song and have probably sung along to it as it played on your car’s AM/FM radio – and most likely you weren’t wearing a seat belt. So what does this have to do with beekeeping? Nothing really, other than the famous lyrics “I get around round round round I get around” sum up my month of March with respect to beekeeping.

On Tuesday, March 7th I attended the 5th Annual Iowa Agriculture Leaders Dinner at the Iowa State Fairgrounds. A large appreciation and awards event for 400 plus! This showcase event of Iowans was established by Bill Northey, Secretary of Agriculture, to recognize, honor and promote Iowa citizens, companies and organizations who have made significant contributions to Iowa’s agriculture industry.

Eleven individuals and companies received awards for their innovation and hard work in their respective industries.

As facilitator of the Back to Basics Beekeeping Club in Oskaaloosa, Iowa, on Friday, March 10th we welcomed State Apiarist, Andy Joseph, who gave a great presentation on bee breeds and characteristics. I learned the package of Carniolans I first purchased in 2010 have likely evolved into a hybrid known colloquially as “dogs” (mutts), no different than me, a mixture European ancestry, and my cats, a mixture of who knows what breeds. Andy’s program was very informative, knowledge-based and unbiased; I have asked him to replicate the talk for the Annual Meeting and Convention.

My travels took me to Knoxville to the Red Rock Beekeepers Club on Tuesday, March 14th where I was afforded a few minutes to talk about the Summer Field Day and the Annual Meeting. The group has a great lending library with a variety of bee-related books. Fern Nelson gave a book report on Two Million Blossoms: Discovering the Medicinal Benefits of Honey by Kristen S. Traynor. She noted the book is more scientific than expected but the historical and medical research very informative. Jerry Weldon reported on simple, inexpensive ways to help control small hive beetles using of all things, a CD case. Sheila Weldon gave a comprehensive presentation on trees, shrubs and plants to consider planting in your garden this spring. If you don’t have the “The Trees for Bees” poster she had available at the 2016 Annual Meeting, you’re missing out as it is worth framing. Check it out at www.pollinator.org.

Saturday, March 18th, I headed north to Des Moines to attend the Central Iowa Beekeepers Association’s quarterly meeting. President, Arvin Foell, was thought to be unable to attend so Marlene Mogle, vice president, led the meeting. In the end Arvin was able to attend but like a Queen Bee, Marlene held her own and did an excellent job. Though a very full agenda, I was able to update the group about the Summer Field Day and asked for their feedback on the idea of a honey swap for the Annual Meeting and Convention. The club held their annual elections; two veteran officers, Arvin Foell and Margaret Hala, treasurer, stepped down gracefully after years of service and were awarded with an appreciation engraved hive tool (super-sized) and a denim shirt. Doyle Kincy was the guest speaker who brought home the importance of spring management; he presented simple methods to test for mites and discussed his approach to prevent swarming. A very active and engaged group, I was impressed by how many people volunteered for their programs and projects.

Busy as a bee, on Tuesday, March 21st I gave a presentation in Oskaaloosa entitled Honeybees: The Gardener’s Companion as part of the Mahaska County Master Gardener Education Series. My presentation focused on how best to attract honeybees to the home garden: plant diversity, groupings, successive and continuous blooming plants, bloom color, a water source, and a chemical free garden. I also discussed how gardeners can help the honeybee with the implementation of Integrated Pest Management practices and concluded with plant selections. The group of 15 was very receptive and I didn’t put anyone to sleep.

The week not yet over, I was welcomed by the Friendly Beekeepers of Iowa on Thursday, March 23rd. The basement of the Calvary Baptist Church in Indianola was chock full of beekeepers of all levels. I sat next to a delightful young beekeeper named Brandon Raasch who lives in Fontanelle. Brandon was eager to tell me about his hives, his plans for this beekeeping season, and that he was the Club’s youth scholarship award winner last year. He was also proud to tell me he was the bee at the Iowa State Fair to help out Carly with her presentations. His enthusiasm for beekeeping was infectious; we should all want to catch it! My spiel about the Summer Field Day and the Annual Meeting rolled quickly off my tongue as the group really came to hear Doyle Kincy discuss the importance of spring management and swarms. He answered many questions which prompted good dialogue amongst the group. Doyle made it clear his method to prevent swarms may not work for everyone and encouraged beekeepers to experiment and work towards a method best for their practice. Good advice as there is no one right way.

My last meeting of the month was the IHPA Board Meeting on Saturday, March 25th in Ankeny. A very full agenda, President Roy Kraft was tasked to keep the meeting on topic. I am happy to report the board is active on all fronts, from the youth mentoring program to the update of website to new signage for the fair booth; from the legislative side of the IHPA to the possible expansion of the
newsletter to plans for the Summer Field Day and Annual Meeting; from the Iowa Honey Queen program to the bid program for the Iowa State Fair. Believe me when I say, four hours was barely enough to discuss all topics on the agenda. Rest assured, we are all working hard to run a state organization for the benefit of all Iowa beekeepers.

In between all the bee-related events, I managed to squeeze in two yoga classes a week, a great way for me to relax and slow down my busy mind. Physical and mental therapy is just what I need. Maybe you too?

While I cannot make it to every meeting around the state, you and the many clubs of Iowa are important to the Iowa Honey Producers Association. It is because of you, your involvement in your community and through your various outreach programs, the importance of the honeybee is spread. I encourage you to continue to do great work. Want to know about what you’ve been up to? Tell the membership about your involvement by way of an article for The Buzz. A simple paragraph will do and a photograph will tell a thousand words.

Thank you to the clubs who welcomed me. It was a pleasure “to get around”. I look forward to seeing you at the Summer Field day on Saturday, July 15 and at the Annual Meeting and Convention on November 10 & 11.

Eve Vanden Broek, IHPA Vice President

HOTEL INFO FOR ANNUAL MTG, OSKALOOSA:

Don’t Procrastinate! Reserve Your Room Today!

Are you a procrastinator? Only when you don’t want to perform a task, like taking out the trash or cleaning the shower, right? Well, if you have any inkling to attend the IHPA Annual Meeting and Convention, you might want to get right on the task of making your hotel reservation. Yes, the event is in November and we’re only May but there are only so many rooms in our two blocks. Here’s the information you will need when booking your room.

OPTION #1 - EVERSPRING INN & SUITES

A block of 55 rooms is on hold at EverSpring Inn & Suites located at 2401 A Avenue W., Oskaloosa, tel: 641-676-6000. This hotel is across the street (Highway 92) from the Gateway Church. Rooms available are: 4 - Business Suites ($102.60+ tax), 19 - Single King ($95+ tax), 26 - Double Queens ($90+ tax), 3 - Single Queen ($80+ tax), 1 - Handicap King with walk-in shower ($95+ tax), and 2 - Handicap Queen ($95+ tax). The hotel has 4 roll-away beds for $10 per night and must be requested in advance. There is no elevator at this hotel so if you need a ground floor room, please specify when making your reservation. Wi-Fi is free and breakfast is included in the rate. Check in is at 2 p.m. and check out is at 11 a.m.

Cancellation policy: No charge if cancel by 4 p.m. of the date of arrival.

Note: The hotel is undergoing a renovation at this time, inside and outside.

The block of rooms will be held for our group until Tuesday, October 10. At this hotel only, I have a block of 10 – Single King and 5 – Double Queens held for Saturday, November 11; rates would be the same.

OPTION #2 – SUPER 8

A block of 25 rooms is being held at the Super 8 located at 306 South 17th Street, Oskaloosa, tel: 641-673-8481. This hotel is conveniently located at the junction of highways 23 and 92 and a mere 2.7 miles from the Gateway Church. Rooms available include: 18 - Queens and 7 - Single Queen or King, each priced at $95+ tax. Children 12 and under stay free. The Super 8 has two roll-away beds which must be reserved in advance; $10 per night. There is no elevator at this hotel either so if you need a ground floor room, please specify when making your reservation. Wi-Fi is free and breakfast is included in the rate. Check in is at 2 p.m. and check out is at 11 a.m.

Cancellation policy: No charge if cancel 24 hours in advance of arrival.

Note: The hotel is installing new carpet this winter/early spring.

The block of rooms will be held for our group until Monday, October 9. If you’d like to stay Saturday evening, the hotel will honor the block room rate.

LATE APRIL BUZZ

The editor of this fine rag must have failed to “send” the April Buzz edition to the printer. The unsent email drifted its way into “drafts”, and there it sat for two weeks before the editor noticed it on April 1.

Deep apologies!! I’m sure many of you accessed it from the website, since Eric had it posted right away.

My time schedule was working until this glitch, but let me remind us all to submit material by the 10th of the month. I’ll assemble it by the 15th, and it will be in the mailboxes by the first of each month. That is, as long as I take all the proper precautions.

I stand amazed at the grace issued to me by all the officers of IHPA—thanks to you all for being so patient.
FOR SALE

Package Bees, Nucs, And Queens

*2# package 1-9 $91.00  10-99 $87.00  100+ $75.00

*3# package 1-9 $116.00  10-99 $112.00  100+ $100.00

*+Tax And $7.00 Cage Deposit

Queens (Carniolan or Italian) $35.00 +tax

Five Frame Nuc $135.00 +tax  / 100+ $110.00 +tax

We are offering a Gallon of syrup and pollen patty with the purchase of package bees and Nucs for extra $7.00

Corn Syrup .40 per pound  500#s syrup .35 #  Protein Patties $2.00ea. case/40 $70.00

Spring Valley Honey Farms

Editor Note:

There were plans to devote some space in the May Buzz to articles from the various clubs around the state. Many of the leaders of the various clubs assigned people to write something up, and I got quite a few.

BUT, two things changed—I got a lot of material that “had to” go into the May Buzz, and some of the clubs were not represented. So I am not including club info in this month’s Buzz.

First off, will someone from each club please go to the back page of this issue and see if the contact info for your club is accurate. Email me a reply if I have to edit anything.

Second, if there are any new clubs that have formed in the past little while whose info is not present on the back page, please update me. And also, please write up a short sketch of how things go in your club.

I’m slotted into the schedule at the Annual Meeting to gather leaders of clubs together (most likely around a breakfast meal again) and get to know each other and share how things run in our clubs. This is why I’m running articles in summer Buzz issues. The more we learn from each other, the more chance there is of improving all our clubs. This is especially true of younger clubs just getting going, learning from those who have gone before.

I probably won’t have room in the June issue for all the clubs, but I’ll finish in July. Thanks for all your willingness to contribute.

BTW, there is no reason the clubs can’t start functioning in an advocate role all across the state. If we ever expect to make an impact on things like legislation of various types, we’re not going to have much impact singly. Further, if we all get out the word about planting pollinator friendly trees and such, we can expect experts amongst us to promote the concepts much more effectively than if we all seek to invent parts of the wheel. Also, there is hope that Andy’s job can become more effective as various club members step up to do elemental inspections for disease, promote mite control, report on winter losses, and generally help Andy become more effective in his role.

These are just some of the ideas that come to mind as I reflect on clubs and their potential roles across the state. Don’t we all wish for northern winter-hardy queens, so that we need not depend on those raised in warm climates? Can’t we advance that notion better if we stand shoulder to shoulder? And how many more ideas can the all of you think of that would increase our total successes?

So thanks if you’ll get info to me about your clubs, and already I’m looking forward to next Nov. in Oskaloosa.

Ron
Long-Term Planting for Honeybees

When planting for honeybees, we must think on a larger scale than those who simply plant for native bees and other pollinators. Simply think of the sheer number of bees when you open up a strong hive and you quickly realize that these little insects have a lot of mouths to feed and just maybe we might harvest honey from their excess stockpiles.

If we plant for honeybees, we’ll also be helping native bees and other pollinators. It’s not uncommon to see different species of pollinators sharing a meal on a flower or helping one another like carpenter bees help honeybees. Carpenter bees cut holes in many bell or tube shaped flowers making it easier for honeybees to gather nectar.

I’d also like for people to realize that it’s okay to plant non-native species as long as they are not considered too invasive. We must remember that honeybees are not native to the United States, but we sure do need them for our modern food supply. It’s unlikely that Iowa will return to prairie in large vast expanses; however, I am not of the mindset that we should be cutting down large numbers of trees, especially pollinator friendly trees and shrubs, so we can say that we are returning areas to prairie.

When planting for honeybees, I’m now focusing on flowering trees and shrubs, especially later blooming ones, as great food sources for a number of reasons, to include, but not limited to the following:

**Drought resistance** – Once established, nectar producing trees and shrubs may be drought tolerant simply because their roots go deeper. When shallow rooted plants are wilting, established trees and shrubs may still be producing nectar.

**Floral Fidelity** – Honeybees have floral fidelity. This simply means that honeybees collect from one type of flower on one foraging trip or all day. This is one reason that you may not see honeybees on flowers that you planted for them, because the honeybees are not attracted to the small patches of flowers or they have found something else that they like better. Nectar and pollen producing trees and shrubs often easily attract large numbers of honeybees due to the large number of blooms.

**Fragrance** - Many nectar producing trees or shrubs provide fragrance and it may be therapeutic for some of us to simply take time to smell the flowers; however, fragrance does not always indicate honeybees are able to obtain nectar or pollen from a plant.

**Plant Longevity** – Trees and shrubs will usually live longer than smaller plants.

**Maintenance** - It’s my opinion that trees and shrubs simply require less maintenance over the long haul compared to smaller plants that often require more weeding over the life of the plant. I learned this when I planted really small hostas vs the really larger hostas. The little ones are a lot more work. As beekeepers, we must acknowledge that most of our honey is coming from native plantings that we have not planted, manicured or maintained. *(NOTE: This does not apply to cultivated crops that must be pollinated by honeybees.)*

**Sustainability** – Trees are simply vital to the sustainability of our planet and life. They provide air pollution control, beauty, homes for animals, food, lumber, oxygen, soil erosion control, improved soil fertility, and recycle water. Ultimately, trees provide what we all need on a larger scale and this is no more evident than with the survival of our honeybees.

Submitted by Sheila Weldon
Emma Jakes’ Recipes!

It’s already May! Where has the time gone? This month my 4-H group had presentations that coincided with making recipes. So, I decided to kill two bird with one stone and make one of my recipes for my presentation and have a group of “guinea pigs” to test them. I made chocolate chip cookies and bread this month, and both were deemed delicious!

Chocolate Chip Cookies (page 68)

1 cup butter, softened at room temperature
1/2 cup white sugar
1 teaspoon baking soda
12 ounces semi-sweet chocolate chips

Preheat oven to 300 degrees. In large bowl, cream butter and sugar. Add honey. Cream well, until smooth. Next, add flour, baking soda, and salt. Mix everything together until just blended; do not over mix. Fold chocolate chips into dough, until just blended. Place rounded tablespoons of dough on a non-stick cookie sheet. Bake for approximately 18 minutes, until golden brown.

These cookies contain no eggs, so eat as much cookie dough as you want! Make sure you have softened butter to speed the mixing. The cookies are very fluffy, and all of my guinea pigs thought they were delicious!

Easy Egg Bread:

1 1/2 teaspoons active dry yeast
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
2 tablespoons honey
3/4 cup milk

Combine all ingredients in bread machine. Select “dough” program and press start. Remove dough at the end of program. Divide into 3 parts and roll each third into 12-inch ropes. Pinch the top ends together and place on greased cookie sheet. Loosely braid and tuck ends under to seal. Cover; let rise in warm place until almost doubled in size (about 30 minutes). Bake at 400 degrees for 25-30 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from cookie sheet. Brush with honey glaze while still warm.

Honey glaze: Combine 2 tablespoons melted butter with 1 tablespoon honey; mix well.

The dough may start out a little sticky, but don’t worry, it turns out great. The hardest part is braiding the loaf, but that is pretty easy too; make sure you dust your hands with flour first or the dough will stick to you. The leftover honey glaze (if you have any left over) make a delicious honey butter. A mixer should also work even if you don’t have a bread machine, just allow more time to rest. This bread was so good, it was almost impossible to keep my sister from eating it.

EDITOR COMMENT: It was my plan to devote a good portion of the May edition to clubs. I wrote the leadership of each club asking for a brief thumbnail on what the origin of their club was and what the nature and process of the club is now. I did this to reveal to all of us how important the clubs are and to spread information around, hoping to strengthen each club with ideas from other clubs. Eventually, it was my goal to gather leaders of clubs together in Oskaloosa in November and chat about what works and what doesn’t.

But it worked out that the May Buzz was filled with lots of other important information, and we would have had to stretch this thing out into a book in order to get it all in! We have already added a set of pages this month.

Let’s hope we can feature clubs in June and July. Perhaps I’ll include a few each month. If you are a leader of a club in Iowa and have not submitted something to me, please do that at your first convenience. If you did submit something, thanks, and I’ll store it until I use it.

Keep the clubs flourishing, and here’s hoping everyone “owns” and contributes to their individual clubs.
We need your help at the 2017 Iowa State Fair booth!

I know it may be hard to start thinking about the State Fair, however, Spring is here and the Iowa State Fair is fast approaching - August 10-20. For those members new to the Iowa Honey Producers Association (IHPA), we have a booth at the State Fair annually in the Ag building 2nd floor. We sell honey products, honey lemonade, lotions, soaps, beeswax items, promotional merchandise, etc. This is our main fund raising event, which is needed to help support our various educational programs.

We ask our members to help make this event a success by volunteering their time assisting with cash register sales, bagging product, pricing, mixing and serving honey lemonade, offering honey samples, etc. Each volunteer will be provided with free honey lemonade if you get thirsty while working at the booth, also a FREE pass to get into the fair, plus you get to enjoy the great entertainment at the fair before/after your shift at the booth.

We had a successful 2016 thanks to all those who participated! Over the years we have had some wonderful people volunteer their time and would love to see you again. We encourage new members, friends, families and bee clubs to participate in this event too, because we need everyone’s support to make this event a success.

We have three shifts daily: 9am-1:30pm, 1:30pm-6pm and 6pm-9pm (11-14 people needed per shift). If you are able to volunteer for one or more shifts during August 10-20, we would like to hear from you. All you need to do is mail the completed tear off slip below, or email the same details to bhlove5@aol.com, or call my number below. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

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Heidi Love (IHPA Secretary)  18488 E Ave, Dawson, IA 50066.  Cell: 515-729-1761

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Date: _________ 9:00-1:30pm  1:30pm-6:00pm  6:00pm-9:00pm
RULES FOR 2017 STATE FAIR PRODUCTS BEING SOLD AT THE IHPA BOOTH

1.) There will be a 3-person committee. Bids must be sent to all 3 on the committee (emailed or mailed). Yes, 3 stamps, 3 envelopes or 3 emails. 2.) There will be a firm cut-off date of June 15, with the committee meeting on June 24th. 3.) The 3-person committee will meet in a predetermined neutral place. The general IHPA membership will be allowed to witness. 4.) All liquid honey and comb honey is to be from 2017 harvest. 5.) All glass honey containers and creamed honey containers must have a protection seal. 6.) All plastic containers must have a pressure seal. This includes all large containers. 7.) All products must show proper labeling (i.e. name, city, phone number, and net weight). 8.) Any item not listed on the bid sheet or specialty items you wish to bid, is up to the discretion of the booth manager, based on counter space and the ability to supply. (i.e. bee related items, etc.). 9.) Honey for the Honey Lemonade (60 pound buckets) will be a sealed bid only. Low bid takes it all. 10.) Pollen must have a “US pollen” label. 11.) Reviewed Yearly at January board meeting.

BID LOTS

1.) All beeswax products (candles, ornaments, blocks, etc.) must be packaged to maintain cleanliness and for presentation. 2.) Cut comb and Ross Rounds · must be in a sealed container · well drained without liquid honey · quality standards will be used (clean capping with all cells capped) · needs to weigh at least 14 oz. · MUST be frozen for a minimum of 48 hours prior to arriving at the Iowa State Fair, subject to rejection. 3.) Lip balms, lotions and soaps · please provide your bid price per item and the quantity you will be able to provide. As you may not be able to provide enough for the entire fair, the booth may use several suppliers based on the number of items supplied. Please remember, you are able to bid on lip balms, lotions and soaps, but you must show quantity of each item you are able to supply and your bid price. 4.) There will be one person that will have sole class of honey. For example: one person will have ALL 24-oz bears for the fair. If 2 or more want it, we decide by a draw--winner takes the whole class. Excluding, “case lots” which are 12 oz bears, 1 lb. plastic, 1 lb. glass (see below on these). Draw order will be most numbers sold last year first to least. · High volume classes, committee decides first. · You may enter all classes that a draw for sole winner is possible, (1 lb. plastic, 1 lb. glass, 12 oz. bear is separate because these are case quantities). · You may only win the draw every other class.

CREAMED HONEY RULES:

1.) Flavored honey and creamed honey must come from a certified kitchen. 2.) A copy of the license must be on file with the booth manager and the booth manager must have with them at the State Fair. 3.) More than one wanting to bring a flavor, a draw will decide who brings the flavor.

COMB HONEY RULES:

1.) Must be frozen for 48 hours before coming to the fair. 2.) Must be of good quality, booth manager has the discretion here. 3.) Anyone may bring comb honey, regardless of what other classes you might participate in.

CASE LOTS

1.) The purpose of the case lots is a way for the small beekeeper to provide honey to the fair. (By participating in the Case Lot classes, you forfeit your ability to participate in the bid lot classes.) 2.) Larger honey producers will not be allowed to participate in the case lot classes. (If you participate in the bid lot classes you forfeit your ability to participate in the case lot classes). 3.) Case Lot classes are 1-pound glass, the 12-ounce bear and the 1-pound plastic. 4.) Case lots will be in case quantities of 24 bottles. 5.) You may bring no more than 4 cases of each class. 6.) Minimum is one case of 24 for a class. 7.) Clean-up rule: In the event the required quantity cannot be fulfilled through the case lot system those participating in bid lots will be encouraged to help supply the additional quantity needed of each class through a draw. (One person per class decided by draw).

DELIVERY OF PRODUCTS: · You must deliver products to the booth. · Plan to deliver your products between Sunday and Wednesday evening. · All products must be received prior to fair opening at 9:00 am Thursday morning. · Provide an invoice when product is delivered. · Please make plans to pick up unsold product on Sunday evening between 9:00 and 10:00 pm or Monday between 8:00 and 12 noon.

The above rules may seem heavy for someone who has never participated at the Iowa State Fair. But please be patient, since bringing honey and supplies to the fair is a very special experience! Start small, get advice from beeks who have done it, and soon you too will be having the great fun that the Fair is! Even if all you do is volunteer to make lemonade, please consider involving yourself in our Great Fair Booth!!
2017 IOWA STATE FAIR BID
FIRM CUT-OFF DATE IS JUNE 15TH

Name:______________________________________________________________

Check payable to (Business name and/or personal):
____________________________________________________________________

Address:____________________________________________________________________

City: ___________________________ State: __________ Zip Code: ________________

Contact number: _____________________________________home or cell
(this is for the Bid Committee to call on Saturday, June 24th 1- 5 p.m. if there are any questions)

If you are participating in a Certified Kitchen bid lot, please specify what flavors you are providing.

Lotion and soap participants please specify fragrances and size of bottles and/or bars.

E-mail or mail your bids to ALL 3 BID COMMITTEE PEOPLE, must go to ALL 3.

DOYLE KINCY
7304 MONROE COURT
URBANDALE, IA 50322
dwkincy@msn.com

ROY KRAFT
P.O. BOX 1
GOLDFIELD, IA 50542-0001
kroyster.rk@gmail.com

SHANE BIXBY
5470 KACENA AVENUE
MARION, IA 52302
statefairbids@gmail.com

Please supply the committee with a phone number that you can be reached from the State Fair Booth Manager (Heidi Love) during the Iowa State Fair.

Cell number: ________________________________

Home phone number: _______________________

REMINDER – FIRM CUT-OFF DATE IS JUNE 15TH
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**CASE LOTS NON-BID**

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<td>72 1 pound plastic (light honey)</td>
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<td>73 12 oz. Honey Bear (light honey)</td>
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**How many can you provide?**

| 74 Comb Honey (Clamshells & Boxes)               | 945 | 585 | $5.50 |
| 75 Ross Rounds                                   | 0   | 18  | $4.00 |

**Price per pound - you bid, low bid take all**

| 76 Honey for Lemonade (50 pound pails)           | 2,154 pounds | 2,890 pounds |

**BID LOT CLEAN-UP**

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<td>78 1 pound plastic</td>
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<td>79 12 ounce Honey Bear</td>
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CLASSIFIED ADS

For Sale: A 36”X36”X14” Flash Heater with four 240 volt 4500 watt heaters. Stand is included. $1800.
Marion Striegel 641-660-6869, Oskaloosa

For Sale: 2- or 3-lb. packages of bees with queen. Delivered to Indian Creek Nature Center or Aurora.
Douglas Child. Call 319-634-3682 or Childbees@gmail.com

For Sale: 2lb. and 3lb. packages with unmarked Italian or Carniolan queens. Pick-up in West Chester, IA or Sullivan, WI. Loads arriving early-April through mid-May. Price: TBD
Call Tim Wilbanks 319-321-2494 or order through website:www.kalonahoney.com. Kalona Honey Co., LLC, 2104 Hemlock Ave, West Chester, IA 52359. Heritage Honeybee, LLC, PO Box 117, Sullivan, WI 53178

For Sale: Package Bees:
3lb Package—$117 2lb Package $97
Once again we are shipping in 3lb & 2lb package bees with mated Carniolan Queen the weekend of April 15th & 16th. Discounts pricing for larger orders!
Carniolan Mated Queens: $32
These are for pick-up only and available the same weekend that packages will be here (April 15th & 16th).
Russian Mated Queens: $40
Queens are marked by default and can be shipped to you, or picked-up in Des Moines. Queens are produced from mid May through August. Discounts for larger orders!
Hive Kits: $240
These are hand crafted in our own woodshop here in Des Moines. For a fun option you can have custom engravings done to the hive boxes (more info online). Kits include 2 deeps, 2 mediums, 20 deep wax coated frames, 20 medium wax coated frames, division board feeder with plastic ladders, telescoping cover, inner cover, solid bottom board, and entrance reducer.
To order, go to www.RussianBee.com

Spring Valley Honey Farms
Perry, Iowa
Connie 515-480-6076
www.springvalleyhoneyfarms.com

We offer a full line of beekeeping supplies to meet your needs in starting and managing your hives.

Basic Hive Kit $150.00 (Includes: 2 Deep Hive Bodies, 18 - 1 piece plastic frames, 2 gallon feeder, screened bottom board, telescoping cover & inner cover) Fully assembled and painted. (To substitute wood frames, Add $3.00)

Complete Hive Kit $240.00 Basic Kit + Two Honey Supers with frames. (To substitute wood frames, add $5.00)

Honey Styx
We have our good flavored light Iowa honey in Styx!
Case of 2000 $180.00/ 500 to 1999 .12 ea./ 1 to 499 .15 ea.

50 # bucket of honey $127.00

We do not keep regular business hours. It is best to call beforehand. We are more than willing to accommodate your needs 7 days a week and are very flexible on hours.
FOR SALE: 2 or 3 # packages W/Italian or Carniolan queens $116.00 + tax & deposit. Pick-up in early to mid-April in Goodell, IA. For more information, call Pat Ennis @ 641-444-4767 / flat_lander@lycos.com, P & P Honey & Bee Supply, Goodell IA

FOR SALE: 5 frame Nuc and Singles W/ Italian or Carniolan queens. $150.00 +tax & dept. Nucs and Singles will be ready for pick-up around mid May, weather permitting in Goodell, IA. For more information, call Pat Ennis @ 641-444-4767 / flat_lander@lycos.com, P & P Honey & Bee Supply, Goodell IA

FOR SALE: I will have California Queens available mid April, Carniolan or Italian. $32.00 + tax. Also Iowa-raised queens w/ VSH and or Ankle biter traits – limited availability June – September $40.00 + tax. Pick-up in Goodell IA. For more information, call Pat Ennis @ 641-444-4767 / flat_lander@lycos.com, P & P Honey & Bee Supply, Goodell IA

FOR SALE: Corn Syrup @ .40 lb, 500 lb or more .35 lb Also offering pollen patties, feeders, beekeeping equipment & supplies, bulk honey, bees-wax, and bottling supplies. For more information, call Pat Ennis @ 641-444-4767 / flat_lander@lycos.com, P & P Honey & Bee Supply, Goodell IA

FOR SALE: 3lb. packages with unmarked Italian queens arriving May 4th Pick up in West Liberty, IA
1-9=$120/ea, 10-99=$115/ea, 100+= $110/ea (plus IA sales tax)
*no cage deposits or credits
5-frame nucs ready in late April/early May Pick up in West Chester, IA
1-9=$160/ea, 10-99=$150/ea, 100+= $140/ea (plus IA sales tax)
Italian Queens
1-9=$30/ea, 10-99=$28/ea, 100+= $26/ea (plus IA sales tax)
Pick up in West Chester, IA or shipped at buyer’s expense

Tim Willbanks
Kalona Honey Company--West Chester, IA
Heritage Honeybee--Sullivan, WI
phone: (319) 321-2494
kalonahoneycompany@gmail.com
www.kalonahoney.com

FOR SALE: 5‐frame medium 6 5/8 nucs with queen $125
For Sale: light amber honey 5 gal. buckets $2.40 per lb.
Jeremy Van Donselaar 641-670-7468
e-mail mahaskahoney@gmail.com

FOR SALE: Package bees 3#: $118-$110 2#: $94-86 depending on quantity plus sales tax and deposit. See our prices on line at www.eberthoney.com
Also available—Older Cowen uncapper-refurbished and ready to work. Mounted on a stand with cappings tray and auger. Pix on request. $1900
Nuc--$145
New Woodenware—Deep boxes from Shastina--$15, Medium boxes--$11 Assembled frames with foundation.
Used equipment priced to sell. Honey by the bucket or by the barrel. Syrup. Protein patties. Feeders.

Most items available for pickup in either Lynnville or Mt Vernon. Contact Adam Ebert at fiddler171@gmail.com or 319-430-3514. Contact Phil Ebert at ehoney37@netins.net or 641-527-2639.

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