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# Next Meeting: February 28,2021 2 PM ZOOM: The Zoom link will be emailed to members shortly before the meeting on Feb 28th.

Board Meeting: March 16, 2021 Zoom 6:30 JJC 7 PM board

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Master Beekeepers are certified beekeepers who have a detailed knowledge of honey bee biology, expertise in the proper practices of beekeeping, and can present this information to the beekeeping and non-beekeeping public in a detailed, accurate, clear and authoritative manner.

Master Beekeepers provide education and assistance to beginning beekeepers and serve in other capacities in the community as experts in beekeeping. The Master Beekeeper program was developed by Dr. Roger A. Morse at Cornell University. The program has been expanded by the Eastern Apicultural Society of North America to other areas.

You can learn more about the Master Beekeeper Program by visiting the Eastern Apicultural Society

website: <a href="http://www.easternapiculture.org/master-beekeepers/certification.html">http://www.easternapiculture.org/master-beekeepers/certification.html</a>



LIBC Board

-Hey Beeks!

Hope you are all well and keeping warm. Here we are and it is already February, and what do you think the queen is doing??? Which leads us to the presentations for our club Zoom Meeting coming up on February 28<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm.

Last months meeting was *invaded* by persons with intent to disrupt whatever they could disrupt. Anyone who was in attendance, we are sorry you had to endure that. Thanks for getting back into the meeting after we <u>dumped</u> those "zoom disrupters".

To prevent a re-occurrence, we are taking some steps. The link will not be posted on any social media, although an announcement will be. The link itself will be sent out by email about an hour before the event. It will go out to only those people who were paid members for 2020 and 2021. When you join, you will be <u>muted</u> to prevent anyone from speaking over the speaker. If you have questions, please use the <u>chat</u> option on the bottom of your screen.

It is now February and membership dues were due in January. So, please pay your dues ASAP to continue getting notices and information from the club. You can pay your dues on the website using PayPal or you can send a check made out to LIBC to Conni Still at 82 Stephen Rd, Bayport, NY 11705 or to Joan Mahoney at 24 Ventura Dr, N. Babylon, NY 11703.

We have chosen three speakers to address beginners, intermediate and all the other experienced beekeepers. The first is Grace talking about What's Happening in the Hive this Month. Then will come Moira talking about "to Split or Not to Split" your colonies. And, David Blocher from

Backyard Beekeepers Association in Connecticut, talking about "Queen Rearing as a Club Activity".

We look forward to seeing you on the 28<sup>th</sup>! We had about 75 people attend the last month's Zoom Meeting and we hope this month will be even better!

From John Most: My work colleague David Blocher volunteered to make a presentation to our club on February 28. David is the past president and active member of BYBA (Back Yard Beekeepers Association). David has a graduate degree from Yale university and has been involved in beekeeping since he was a teenager. David tends to 100-125 colonies on orchards in Connecticut. I'm hoping all of our members will attend this meeting. I know there is an interest in queen rearing in our club and I'm sure many of us will find his presentation interesting. If you google his name you can see some of the work David has done with respect to beekeeping.

#### From the Editor's Desk

Conni Still



Our first meeting of the year was one of the largest zoom meetings we have ever had. Thanks for all of you who signed in and hope you will continue to do so and

encourage your fellow members to do so also.

Hope Staten Island Ground Hog Stan is correct and Spring is coming soon. Get your hives ready! Be here to see what Grace has to tell you.

STAY SAFE and WASH YOUR HANDS and WEAR YOUR MASKS!

Annual dues are \$35.. PLEASE send a check payable to LIBC to Conni Still at 82 Stephen Road, Bayport, NY 11705, go to the club website Longislandbeekeepers.org.

Any member who does not pay their dues will not receive future newsletters nor have free advertising in future newsletters, Also please update your copy for your ads. Send your information to Moira Alexander at ramoi@aol.com and put LIBC classified ads in the subject line.

# LIBC Meeting Schedule for 2021

NOTE: The meetings are the fourth Sunday of the month at announced location.

**February 28, 2021**: Grace Mehl-What's Happening In the Hive This Month? Moira Alexander- To Split or Not to Split? David Blocher- Queen Rearing

☐ Three club... 2 frame extractors are available for \$10 rental for honey extraction.-call Moira or Rick-

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# **CLASSIFIED ADS**



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### **BEEKEEPING EDUCATION**

EAS Master Beekeeper Rich Blohm 102 class, Monthly Zoom Format, Huntington, September Start, 631 271 7812 or Beebiz44@gmail.com

EAS Master Beekeeper Moira Alexander 101 Class, 11 - 2hr sessions, Brentwood, September 2nd Start, 631 664 6810 or Ramoi@aol.com

EAS Master Beekeeper Debbie Klughers 101 Class, Zoom Format, East Hampton, November Start, 631 377 1943 or debklughers@optonline.net

#### **Package Bees for Sale**

I am now taking orders for three pound packages from California. They include a young, mated Saskatraz carniolan queen. \$175 each
I have a tentative arrival date of Saturday, April 3rd. Pickup is in the afternoon at my house, 30 Cherry Lane, Huntington, you can send a check made out to me. If you'd like to pay via PayPal to this email address you must add 2.9% to cover their fee or none if you have a balance in your account. One can do a money transfer via Zelle to 5166585333. Your order will be added to the list as soon as payment is received. So, get your order in soon. Thanks.

I am sure you're curious about the Saskatraz bees. The breeder queens come from a breeding program conducted by a group of commercial beekeepers in Saskatchewan Canada. They are selected for honey production, wintering, varroa tolerance, disease resistance, temperament, and show increased hygienic behavior. They have a high percentage of Carniolan genes. Select breeder queens are then sent to Olivarez Apiaries in California where their offspring are open matted and those queens are added to the packages. I've gotten lots of good feedback from those who ordered Saskatraz packages in past years. All packages must be picked up Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning, NO EXCEPTIONS.

You can also order Queens at \$45 each, for pick up on the same day.

PS Please include a cell phone number when you respond. Thank you :-)
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beebiz44@gmail.com

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Deb Klughers- 631-377-1943 debbie@bonacbees.com

Wayne Vitale- 516-680-3020 wayne@spycoastbeefarm.com

#### **Nucleus Hives for Sale**

(Maybe in deep or medium frames) Updated 02/10/20

Rich Blohm - 631-271-7812 beebiz44@gmail.com

Joe Magnoli- 516-724-4468 earliestspringnucs@gmail.com

Brendan O'Regan 917-689-9854 authentichoneyofnewyork@gmail.com

Donal Peterson - 631-827-1810 3BeesApiary@gmail.com

Tom Tyrell - info@TomsHoneyAndBees.com

Wayne Vitale-516-680-3020 <u>wayne@spycoastbeefarm.com</u> Dale Williams - 631-475-8315 https://southbayapiaries.com

Queens for Sale Updated 02/10/20

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Joe Magnoli- 516-724-4468 earliestspringnucs@gmail.com

Donal Peterson - 631-827-1810 <u>3BeesApiary@gmail.com</u> Tom Tyrell - info@TomsHoneyAndBees.com

Plants for Sale Updated 02/10/20 Sayville-Liz Marcellus 631-439-1487<u>ECMflowers@yahoo.com</u>

Organic bee-loved trees, shrubs, & perennials Patchogue – David Tifford 631-475-7118 <a href="mailto:jdtifford@optonline.net">jdtifford@optonline.net</a> Organic bee friendly annuals and perennials.

Insurance/Beekeeping Liability Updated 02/10/20 Farm Family – Vincent C Daley 631-277-7770 State Farm – Jim VonEiff 718-899-8985

# **Local Honey for Sale**

**Updated 02/10/20** 

**Bronx** 

Brendan O'Regan 917-689-9854 <u>authentichoneyofnewyork@gmail.com</u>

Queens

Queens - Walter Blohm, 718-380-0829 – beevenom@verizon.net

#### **NYC**

Nick Hoefly-\_352-875-5642 nick@astorapiaries.com

#### Suffolk/Nassau

Amityville - Rich Meyer - 917-681-1706 <u>rjmeyer1423@aol.com</u> Bay Shore - Donal Peterson - 631-827-1810 <u>3BeesApiary@gmail.com</u> Brookhaven - Dale Williams - 631-475-8315 <u>https://southbayapiaries.com</u>

Calverton/Muttontown- Joe Magnoli- 516-724-4468 <a href="mailto:earliestspringnucs@gmail.com">earliestspringnucs@gmail.com</a>
Huntington - Rich Blohm - 631-271-7812
<a href="mailto:beebiz44@gmail.com">beebiz44@gmail.com</a> Maxant manual extractor and an assorted amount of new and used <a href="mailto:equipment">equipment</a>

Laurel- Tom Tyrell info@TomsHoneyAndBees.com Nassau - Carl Flatlow - 516-510-6227

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East Hampton-Deb Klughers-631-377-1943 www.BonacBees.com

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3020 wayne@spycoastbeefarm.com

Wading River- Roy Baillard- 631-375-0962 rbaillar@optonline.net

West Hills – Walter Scott – 631-549-2546 wscott380@gmail.com

# **Wedding Favors**

**Updated 2/10/20** 

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Bill O'Hern 631-938-6233

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Danel Peterson 631-837-1810

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#### **Hive and Wax Products**

Updated 02/10/20

Bee themed gifts/jewelry - Lorraine Leacock at the Beetique 516-459-0140 Lorraine@bluepointbee.com

Bee themed gifts/jewelry/wax- Nick Hoefly-\_352-875-5642 nick@astorapiaries.com

Wax- Fred Munzer – 631-243-3512 – munzer39@verizon.net

Candles-Bill O'Hern 631-938-6233 OHoneyBeeFarm@gmail.com Wax- Donal Peterson 631-827-1810 -3beesapiary@gmail.com

Wax/Pollen/Propolis - Tom Tyrell info@tomshoneyandbees.com

Various Hive Products-Deb Klughers-631-377-1943 www.BonacBees.com

Wax/Pollen - Dale Williams 631-475-8315 https://southbayapiaries.com

Lip Balm, Creams Skin Care

Updated 02/10/20

Lip balms, cream skin care-Nick Hoefly- 352-875-5642 nick@astorapiaries.com

Lip balm-Bill O'Hern 631-938-6233 OHoneyBeeFarm@gmail.com

Lip balm/body care products-Wayne Vitale- 516-680-3020 wayne@spycoastbeefarm.com

**Equipment** 

**Updated 03/16/2019** 

Ernest Herrington - dmherri@gmail.com Custom Beekeeping wooden ware

Joe Magnoli- 516-724-4468

earliestspringnucs@gmail.com Wax dipped boxes

The Mohawk Valley Trading Company: 315-519-2640, info@tenonanatche.com

Fort Schuyler Trading Company: info@unundadages.com

Fred Munzer - 631-243-3512 -

munzer39@verizon.net Glassware, frame spacers Donal Peterson 631-827-1810 -

3beesapiary@gmail.com glass, woodenware, frames, smokers

Cliff Struhl <a href="http://info@beesmartdesigns.com">http://info@beesmartdesigns.com</a>

Hive stands, covers, robbing screens, Bottom **Boards**, Frame grippers, feeders

Deb Klughers Bee Smart Design products and other items 631-377-1943 www.BonacBees.com Dale Williams - 631-475-8315-

https://southbayapiaries.com Wooden ware and foundation

Patrick Gannon-718-757-1699

beekanzi@gmail.com "BeeSmart plastic hive stand for 8 frame hive

Used in very good condition

\$50.00 I will deliver

Wally Blohm-718-380-0829

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Maxant 16 Gallon Bottling Tank \$800. Pick up in Oueens

Honey Tank 660 lb, Honey Tank 300 lb, Observation Hive Miguel Valentin 516-313-6967

#### Swarms/Bee Removals

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All Suffolk County: John Hardecker, 516-383-1583 Miguel Valentin\*: 516-313-6967,631-588-6102 Chris Kepert, Middle Island 631-291-85912631-291-8537

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Justin Colon- Swarm removals Nassau and Western Suffolk



Thanks to Martin Rost for this great photo!



Bee Zoom Meeting January 2021



