

**WILKES COMMUNITY COLLEGE, WILKESBORO, NC
 JULY 10 – 12, 2014
 Hosted by BEEKEEPERS OF WILKES COUNTY**

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Agenda

Thursday, July 10, 2014	
8:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Registration Walker Center Main Lobby
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM	Dr. John T. Ambrose: Preparatory Short Course for the Certified and Journeyman Levels of the MBP [details] \$25/person – includes book and other handouts Mayes Pit Auditorium, Thompson Hall Please see [details] for special parking instructions <i>if you pre-registered for this course</i>
12:45 PM	Call to Order & Welcome: Julian Wooten, NCSBA President Invocation: Rev. Al Andrews Welcome & Introductions: Jeremy Bowlin, President, Beekeepers of Wilkes County Welcome: Mayor of Wilkesboro, Mike Inscore Announcements: Jeremy Bowlin, President, Beekeepers of Wilkes County <i>Flags provided by VFW Color Guard Commander, Claude Sturgill and team</i>
1:00 PM – 1:55 PM	Michael Young: Beekeeping in Britain/Ireland from Anglo-Saxon Times [bio] Walker Center Auditorium
2:00 PM – 2:55 PM	Dr. Dewey Caron: Working Toward Treatment-Free Beekeeping [bio] Walker Center Auditorium
3:00 PM – 3:20 PM	Break: Visit Vendors/Refreshments Walker Center Ballroom
3:20 PM – 3:30 PM	Door Prizes Walker Center Auditorium
3:30 PM – 4:25 PM	Dr. Vaughn Bryant: Honey Standards [bio] Walker Center Auditorium
4:30 PM – 5:30 PM	Dr. David Tarp: The New Queen & Disease Clinic at NC State Univ. [bio] Walker Center Auditorium
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	NCSBA Executive Committee Meeting
Friday, July 11, 2014	
8:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Registration Walker Center Main Lobby
8:15 AM	Call to Order: Ed Hunt, NCSBA 1st Vice-President Announcements: Beekeepers of Wilkes County
8:30 AM – 9:20 AM	Holden Appler: How Urbanization Affects the Immune System and Pathogens of Managed and Feral Honey Bees [bio] Walker Center Auditorium
9:25 AM – 10:15 AM	Pat Jones: Pollinator Protection – Pesticide Labels and Enforcement Issues [bio] Walker Center Auditorium
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Joanna Radford: Bee Buddies Program [bio] Ages 8 – 12 years [details of program] Watson Theatre (behind the caboose)
10:20 AM – 10:40 AM	Break: Visit Vendors/Refreshments Walker Center Ballroom
10:40 AM – 10:50 AM	Door Prizes Walker Center Auditorium
11:00 AM – 11:50 AM	Dr. Dewey Caron: What Are Beekeepers Doing to Improve Colony Survivorship [bio] Walker Center Auditorium
11:50 AM – 12:50 PM	Lunch Box Lunches or Local Restaurants [learn more]
1:00 PM – 2:55 PM	Workshops & MBP Testing See workshop schedule for locations

3:00 PM – 3:20 PM	Break: Visit Vendors/Refreshments Walker Center Ballroom
3:20 PM – 3:30 PM	Door Prizes Walker Center Auditorium
3:30 PM – 4:15 PM	David Hackenberg: Commercial Beekeeping [bio] Walker Center Auditorium
4:20 PM – 5:40 PM	NCSBA Business Meeting Walker Center Auditorium
5:45 PM – 9:15 PM	NCSBA Banquet (limit 300) Hosted by Brushy Mountain Bee Farm Brushy Mountain Bee Farm Manufacturing Facility 1204 Industrial Park Road, Wilkesboro, NC 28697 [map]
Saturday, July 12, 2014	
8:00 AM – 10:30 PM	Registration Walker Center Main Lobby
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Special Workshop with Michael Young: Royal Mead Making [bio] Mayes Pit, Thompson Hall
8:45 AM	Call to Order: Steve Langefeld, NCSBA 2nd Vice-President Announcements: Beekeepers of Wilkes County
9:00 AM – 9:35 AM	L. L. Langstroth: Beekeeping in the mid-1800's and Today [bio] Walker Center Auditorium
9:40 AM – 10:00 AM	Bill Clothier & Rick Coor: Honey for Disabled Veterans Program [bios] Walker Center Auditorium
10:00 AM – 10:20 AM	Break: Visit Vendors/Refreshments Walker Center Ballroom
10:20 AM – 10:30 AM	Door Prizes Walker Center Auditorium
10:30 AM – 10:55 AM	Leigh-Kathryn Bonner: A Plan to Make Durham and the American Tobacco Campus a Model Program [bio] Walker Center Auditorium
11:00 AM – 11:55 AM	Dr. Vaughn Bryant: Identifying Honey/Floral Source [bio] Walker Center Auditorium
12:00 PM – 1:15 PM	Lunch Box Lunches or Local Restaurants [learn more]
1:15 PM – 2:10 PM	Dr. Dewey Caron: Dealing with Bee and Hive Pests [bio] Walker Center Auditorium
2:15 PM – 3:15 PM	Ask the Speakers: Holden Appler, Dr. Vaughn Bryant, Dr. Dewey Caron, David Hackenberg, Dr. David Tarp, Michael Young Walker Center Auditorium
2:15 PM – 3:15 PM	MBP Testing Randolph Hall, Room 724
3:20 PM – 3:30 PM	Door Prizes Closing Remarks: Julian Wooten, NCSBA President Walker Center Auditorium
3:30 PM	Conference Closed

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Workshops Overview

Workshops will include:

- Cooking with Honey (2 hours)
- Reading Brood Frames
- Royal Mead Making (2 hours)
- The Value of Feeding Pollen in Both Small and Commercial Operations
- Queen Rearing (2 hours)
- MBP Written Examination* – Friday & Saturday
- Swarm Control and Prevention
- Advantages of Test and Treat
- Pollinators Habitat: How YOU Can Provide More Food for Bees
- Summer Splits: Timing and Technique for Mite Load Reduction
- Feeding Bees
- Treating for Pest #1: Varroa
- NCSBA Certified Honey Program

- Attracting and Retaining Younger Members
- Diseases and Pests

* Anyone wishing to take the practical test for Certified Level should bring their own veil, smoker, and related items. If you are taking either the MBP Certified practical or Journeyman practical, please meet at the testing room during testing periods. Practical testing for the MBP Certified Level will be held in the apiary and will be coordinated with Rick Coor. Practical testing for the Journeyman level will be coordinated with Dr. John T. Ambrose. Questions? Please contact Dr. Ambrose at John_Ambrose@ncsu.edu.

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Special Events

- Cooking with Honey Contest – Contestants can submit their entries on Friday, July 11th in Randolph Hall, Room 727 between 9:00 – 10:00 am. Refer to campus maps [[wcc campus](#)] [[wcc campus detail](#)] or check at registration desk for directions.
- Honey Contest – Contestants can submit their entries before Friday, July 11th at 9:00 am in the Orchestra Room of the Walker Center. Entries may be dropped off starting on Thursday, but must be submitted before 9:00 am on Friday (according to the [contest rules](#)).
- Banquet Friday Night (limit 300)
- Door Prizes Each Day
- Vendor Displays and Equipment Sales
- Dr. John T. Ambrose: *Preparatory Short Course for the Certified and Journeyman Levels of the MBP* – This class will teach beginning and intermediate beekeeping in preparation for the Certified or Journeyman levels of the Master Beekeeper Program. Handouts and the book, “First Lessons in Beekeeping” by Dadant will be provided. No discounts will be giving for those already having or sharing a book. There will be a short coffee break during the class with refreshments provided. There is also vending machines nearby. **Note to participants who pre-registered for this class:** If you pre-registered, you may park at the bottom of the hill outside of Thompson Hall and check-in at Thompson Hall. [[Thompson Hall Parking Map](#)] Only those who pre-registered, either by mail or online may check-in at Thompson Hall. All others must go up to the Walker Auditorium lobby to check-in.
- Silent Auction – Please bring donations of beekeeping items, tools, or other useful things. Proceeds go to the Apiculture Science Fund at NCSU Entomology/Beekeeping Department.
- Raffle tickets to win a bee quilt will be available for purchase (\$5/ticket) during the conference
- Bee Buddies Program: Free to children from 8 – 12 years of age. Friday, July 11th from 10:00 am – 11:30 am at the Watson Theatre located on the lower campus behind the red caboose. This program will include hands on activities to introduce children to beekeeping and life in a honey bee hive. Please RSVP to B Townes at townesb@wilkes.net or by cell phone at (336) 984-1048 or home phone at (336) 921-3746. Read more details about this event here: [Bee Buddies Flyer](#)
- Lunch Options: The Walker Center at Wilkes Community College will be offering boxed lunches for sale during the conference on Friday and Saturday for those who would prefer to not go out to one of the local establishments during lunch. Costs of the boxed lunches will be \$4 – \$6 depending on the choice an individual makes. The Walker Center will provide this concession and take responsibility for preparing and vending. If you'd prefer to go out to eat, a list of local establishments to choose from will be provided in the check-in packets.

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Registration Details

Registration Fees	Individual	Family
Advance Registration (by 7/3/14):	\$25	\$35
After 7/3/14 or At-the-door:	\$35	\$45
Non-members additional *	\$15*	\$15*

* pays 2014 NCSBA membership for one person.

Dr. Ambrose Short Course in Beekeeping: \$25/person

Banquet: \$15/person

Advanced registration is closed. Please register at the door.

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Location & Campus Map

Wilkes Community College, 1328 S Collegiate Drive, Wilkesboro, NC 28697 [[map](#)]

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Travel & Tourism

Local Weather

Average High Temperature: 88 degrees

Average Low Temperature: 64 degrees

Average Rainfall: .16 inches

Area Accommodations

Attendees are responsible for hotel reservations. The cut-off for hotel discount rates is June 18th. RESERVE EARLY!

- Hampton Inn
1300 Collegiate Dr., Wilkesboro, NC
Tel (336) 838-5000
\$90.00 + tax
- The Addison
1842 Winkler St., Wilkesboro, NC
Tel (336) 838-1000
\$72.00 + tax
- Red Carpet Inn
1206 River St., Wilkesboro, NC
Tel (336) 667-2176
\$40.56 + tax
- Holiday Inn Express
1700 Winkler St., Wilkesboro, NC
Tel (336) 838-1800
\$85.00 + tax