

Thursday, July 10, 2025

Time	Event	Speaker	Location
10:00 AM	Registration & Check-in Opens	Todd Walker	Registration Desk
	Vendors Market Opens		
12:00 PM	NCSBA Bees and Honey Competition Entry Check-In	Sarah Stevens; Coordinator	TEDC 102
12:30 PM	Call to Order President's Welcome	NCSBA President	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
12:50 PM	Instrumental Insemination Presentation	Brandon Simmons	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
1:30 PM	Break / Visit Vendors		
1:45 PM	NC Apiary Inspector & NCDAG & CS Updates	Don Hopkins & Team	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
2:15 PM	Updates in the Pesticide World of Bees	Pat Jones & NCDAG & CS Team	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
2:45 PM	Break / Visit Vendors		
3:00 PM	Save American Honey Program	Carla Robertson	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
3:30 PM	Break / Visit Vendors		
3:30 PM	NCSBA Board of Directors Meeting	NCSBA President	TEDC 201
3:45 PM	The Chemistry Behind Feeding Bees	Bob Binnie	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
4:30 PM	Break / Visit Vendors		
5:00 PM	Vendor Day Closes		
	Conference Day 1 Concludes		

Friday, July 11, 2025

Time	Event	Speaker	Location
8:00 AM	Registration & Check-in Opens	Todd Walker	Registration Desk
	Vendors Market Opens		
	NCSBA Bees and Honey Competition Entry Check-In	Sarah Stevens; Coordinator	TEDC 102
	Master Beekeeping Program Study-Hall (10:00 - 11:30 am)	Eric Talley; MBP Coordinator	TEDC 213
	Open Outdoor Apiary Q&A w/ Inspectors (9:30 - 1:30 pm)	Team Don Hopkins	Outdoor Apiary
8:15 AM	Call to Order (Announcements & Updates)	NCSBA 1st Vice-President	
8:25 AM	Seasonal Efficacy of Current Varroa Treatments	Cameron Jack	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
9:15 AM	Break / Visit Vendors		
9:30 AM	Nutrition and Its Profound Impact on Your Hive	Blake Shook	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
10:20 AM	Break / Visit Vendors		
10:45 AM	Updates from the NC State Bee Lab	Dr. Tarpy	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
11:30 AM	Lunch (Amanda's Catering or on your own)		
12:00 AM	NCSBA Bees and Honey Competition Entry Closes	Sarah Stevens; Coordinator	TEDC 102
1:00 PM	The Chemistry Behind Processing Honey	Bob Binnie	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
1:50 PM	Break / Visit Vendors		
2:05 PM	NCSBA Annual Members Meeting & Election of Officers	NCSBA President	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
3:00 PM	Break / Visit Vendors		
3:15 PM	Workshop: Marketing Your Honey	Carla Robertson	TEDC 213
	Workshop: Single Brood Box Hive Management	Doug Vinson	Thomas Auditorium
	Workshop: Api-ability Collaborations (helping beekeepers w/ disabilities)	Dr. Tarpy	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
	Workshop: Grafting Workshop (pre-registration required)	Brandon Simmons	Thomas Auditorium Gallery
	Workshop; Bee Yard: Varroa Testing; Sugar Shake & Alcohol Wash	Team Don Hopkins	Outdoor Apiary
4:05 PM	Break / Visit Vendors		
4:20 PM	Workshop: Expectations and Lessons for 1st & 2nd Year Beekeepers	Scott Davis	Thomas Auditorium Gallery
	Workshop: Horizontal Hive Options	Lynne Swanson	TEDC 213
	Workshop: Mite Monitoring and Control	Joe Komperda	Thomas Auditorium
	Workshop: Demonstration of Cell Builder	Brandon Simmons	Outdoor Apiary
5:00 PM	Break / Visit Vendors		
5:15 PM	Vendor Day Closes		
6:00 PM	Banquet Dinner and Awards Ceremony Social	Events Coordinator	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
8:30 PM	Conference Day 2 Concludes		

Saturday, July 12, 2025

Time	Event	Speaker	Location
8:00 AM	Registration & Check-in Opens		
	Vendors Market Opens		
	NCSBA Bees and Honey Competition (public viewing 8 am - 2 pm)	Sarah Stevens; Coordinator	TEDC 102
	Open Outdoor Apiary Q&A w/ Inspectors (9:30 am - 1:30 pm)	Team Don Hopkins	Outdoor Apiary
8:10 AM	Master/Master Craftsman Photo / NC Zoo Volunteer Group Photo	Eric Talley; MBP Coordinator	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
8:30 AM	Call to Order (Announcements & Updates)	NCSBA 2nd Vice-President	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
8:35 AM	Making Splits	Blake Shook	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
9:00 AM	Master Beekeeping Testing (9:00 - 11:00 pm; no tests handed out after 10:30 am) Certified / Journeyman / Master written and Journeyman / Master practicals. <u>No in-hive exams for Certified</u>	Eric Talley; MBP Coordinator	TEDC 213
9:25 AM	Break / Visit Vendors		
9:40 AM	Personal Experiences with Over Four Decades of Commercial Beekeeping	Bob Binnie	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
10:30 AM	Break / Visit Vendors		
10:45 AM	Q&A with Main Speakers (Dr. Tarpy, Dr. Jack, B. Shook, B. Binnie)	Moderated by Lewis Cauble	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
11:30 AM	Lunch (Grafted Olive or on your own)		
1:00 PM	NCSBA Bees and Honey Competition Results & NCSBA Raffle	NCSBA President	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
1:30 PM	Screening New Chemicals Against Varroa and Small Hive Beetles	Cameron Jack	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
2:20 PM	Break / Visit Vendors		
2:20 PM	Pick-up NCSBA Bees and Honey Competition Entries	Sarah Stevens; Coordinator	TEDC 102
2:30 PM	Workshop: Grafting Workshop (pre-registration required)	Brandon Simmons	Thomas Auditorium Gallery
	Workshop: Brood Diseases	Catherine Crosier (NC State)	Blue Ridge Conference Hall
	Workshop: Smart Splitting (there's a split for that)	Leigh Wilkerson	TEDC 213
	Workshop: What Natural Beekeeping Means to You	Tara Lynne Groth	TEDC 201
	Workshop: Research does not have to be scary. Myth busting peppermint candy and hive beetles	Mark Case	Thomas Auditorium Room
	Workshop: Bee Yard: Techniques for Requeening Success	Team Don Hopkins	Outdoor Apiary
3:15 PM	Break / Visit Vendors		
3:30 PM	Conference Concludes		