

# THE REAL BUZZ ON BEES BEEKEEPING & BEYOND!



## A Series of Beekeeping Workshops

Fascinated by bees? Become a backyard beekeeper! Steve Demkowski, Happy Hollow's resident beekeeper and owner of Willow Glen Honey, will be offering seven workshops throughout 2019 at Happy Hollow Park & Zoo.

Learn the basics of beginning beekeeping, equipment needs, and move on to hands on hive management, installing bees, gathering swarms, harvesting honey, mite control and preparing hives for winter.



More information and registration available at [www.happyhollow.org](http://www.happyhollow.org)

All participants must complete an emergency contact form: <http://bit.ly/hhpzbeewaiver>

\$75 per workshop and includes the use of all needed equipment, hands-on training and lectures. Adults only class, must be 18 or over to attend. Protective clothing is required. The workshops are an intimate opportunity to learn about bees. All workshops take place at Happy Hollow Park & Zoo. 100% of the workshop fees will benefit Happy Hollow's conservation efforts.

### Workshop 1: February 23, 2019

12PM – 3PM

This workshop is based on brood building and making space for new egg laying areas. Manipulating the brood boxes for swarm control. Setting up additional hives placing hives in new zoo boxes. Attracting swarms, setting up bait box hives. Correct way to install packages and nuc hives. Go over equipment needed to get you through the year.

### Workshop 2: March 16, 2019

12PM – 3PM

Swarm controls. Splitting hives and swarm control. making a few new queens from the best hives. Setting up queen mating castles and nucs. Feeding bees.

### Workshop 3: April 13, 2019

9AM – 12PM

Swarm control. Using the Snelgrove double screen method correctly. Other uses for screen boards. Selecting laying queens from the splits, make up nucs and new hives ready for sale later in the month. Feeding bees. Make up comb honey frames, Ross rounds and Half combs boxes.

### Workshop 4: May 11, 2019

9AM – 12PM

Swarm control. Open and inspect hives, check for eggs and brood patterns. Correctly manipulate the frames. Set hive beetle traps. Prepare hives and nucs available for sale. Place honey supers on hives.

### Workshop 5: June 8, 2019

9AM – 12PM

Open and inspect hives. Hive inspection and demonstration on mite washing for mite counts. Place on remaining honey supers. Look for and locate problems in the hives. Mite treatment if necessary.

### Workshop 6: July 13, 2019

9AM – 12PM

Check hives and rotate honey supers. Remove full honey supers and honey extraction demonstration.

### Workshop 7: August 10, 2019

9AM – 12PM

Demonstrate various mite control systems. Refresh hive beetle traps. What to do to prepare your hives for winter. Remove remaining honey supers for extraction at a later date.



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