



Buzzings

Newsletter of the Los Angeles County Beekeepers Association

April 14, 2020

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Next Meeting: May 4, 2020 ONLINE FORMAT

General Meeting Begins at 7:00 pm

A Zoom link will be forwarded to emails of paid members on May 3rd.

To enter the meeting, click on the Zoom link.

Since the Club is dealing with an inability to have face to face meetings right now, the Executive Board has been meeting to discuss the feasibility of having online meetings.

Highlights for Members:

1. NUC pickups for Volunteers Saturday April 25 7 am-10 am. Drive through pickup. Kevin will send instructions and maps soon.

2. Beekeeping 101 April 19th 9am - noon

This webinar, online meeting will be Sunday April 19th. Cheryl Thiele will be sending instructions on how to log in to Zoom. Zoom classes are limited to 100, priority will be given to paying members who have signed up for the class and have donated to the class (there is a paying option for the class and a non-paying option. Classes are still open for [registration](#)

3. Donations of N95 masks for Healthcare Workers

Elaine Akst, from our community here, has suggested a great way to help health care workers. She knows that many beekeepers have n95 masks on hand for applying oxalic acid to colonies.

*Should beekeepers have extra unused units and/or filters they are **STRONGLY** encouraged to donate these, in their packages, to their local health care providers, hospitals, or fire/EMT stations.

from: Jay Evans, Research Leader Bee Research Lab, Beltsville, MD

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LACBA ZOOM Executive Board Meeting Minutes
April 13, 2020

Attending:

Kevin Heydman, President

Mary Ann Laun, Secretary

Jon Reese, Treasurer

El Rey Ensich, Member at large (phone audio)

Cheryl Thiele, Membership Chair

Jeff Laun, Tech Support

Dave Williams, Vice President (not present)

1. Monthly Meetings

The Executive Board reaffirmed that the May meeting will be conducted over Zoom with 100 (Paid) members attending. Additional broadcasting to Facebook will allow additional members to view the meeting. A link will be sent out the day before the meeting and members will be invited to submit questions ahead of time or during the meeting via chat. Kevin and Nick will create content that will be placed in Dropbox for sharing purposes. Cheryl will help Kevin host

and field the questions from the club members.

Mary Ann Laun will send an email to members who have not paid their dues.

2. NUCs are scheduled to be picked up this Friday or next Friday. (No additional charges.) Kevin will speak to the company tomorrow and let Mary Ann know which weekend it will be. He will notify the people getting the NUCS and Mary Ann will also mention it in the newsletter. Pickup will be at CalPoly from 7-10 am. Drive through only. No need to get out of the car. [Note: see update above]

3. Beekeeping 101 updates: Cheryl will send out this week a notification and instructions on how to log on to the Zoom for the online webinar April 19th. Since Zoom classes are limited to 100, priority will be given to paying members who have signed up for the class and have donated to the class (there is a paying option for the class and a non-paying option).

4. Other items:

- REST IN PEACE: Club member Ben Jeffries who was also a dentist in Sierra Madre, passed away after a sudden onset of anaplastic thyroid cancer. He was diagnosed in November 2019 and died in March 2020. Raquel Fernandez will send some background information about him to include in our newsletter.
- Bylaws meeting and procedures. El Rey will get his committee going on revising/editing the bylaws. Someone will collate all the comments to be reviewed by the Executive Board. Face to face meetings will happen after the covid-19 virus threat is over. If anyone is interested in helping with this project contact El Rey at 818 480-2228
- Mary Ann raised a concept idea... Ask 3 beekeepers a question... get 4 answers... This could be done in a future meeting.
- Webpage of swarm and rescue beekeepers was updated by Eva after Kevin called each number on the list

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