

Past Meeting Topics Include:

- + Queen Breeding
- + Swarm Catching
- + Pests & Diseases
- + Seasonal Hive Management
- + Africanized Honey Bees
- + Honey Extracting
- + Question & Answer Forums

Annual Events:

January 2012: Six week Beekeeping course at the Pickens UGA extension office targeting beginners as well as experienced beekeepers.

February 11, 2012: 16th Annual One-Day Bee School to be held at the Historic Marble Court House, Canton, Georgia, from 8:15 am until 4:00 pm.

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Regular monthly meetings are held every third Thursday of the month at the Cherokee Arts Center (Behind the old marble Cherokee County Court House). Please refer to www.CherokeeBeeClub.com for up-to-date schedule information and directions or call 770-735-3263 for more information.

"Well", said Pooh, "what I like best-", and then he had to stop and think. Because although eating honey was a very good thing to do, there was a moment just before you began to eat it which was better than when you were, but he didn't know what it was called". The House at Pooh Corner, by A.A. Milne



Cherokee Beekeepers Club



Serving Beekeepers in
Cherokee and
Surrounding Areas

A non-profit organization dedicated to assisting its members and others interested in honey bees and to promoting public awareness of the benefits and the necessity of the honey bee.



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Educational

Guest speakers throughout the year help keep our members up-to-date on the latest honey bee research. Cherokee Beekeeper's Club maintains a good relationship with the University of Georgia Honey Bee Research Program. Guest speakers over the past have included Jamie Ellis, Ph. D., top research scientist specializing in the small hive beetle from the University of Florida, and Keith Delaplaine, Ph. D., expert on the Africanized Honey Bee from the University of Georgia. Cherokee Beekeepers Club also works closely with the Cherokee County Farm Bureau and UGA's Cherokee Extension Office, providing observation hives and educational experiences to elementary schools throughout the county.

Informative

Club members bring with them years of knowledge and experience. Our members range from first time beekeepers with one or two hives to those who have been keeping bees for more than forty plus years, with anywhere from 30 to 600 or more hives. Our members are always eager to share their experiences, successes, and failures in an effort to make us all better beekeepers.

For more than thirteen years, the Club has sponsored a one-day bee school geared towards beginners; each year typically adding 30-50 new beekeepers to the club.



Fun

Each year the club sponsors at least two field trips to members' apiaries. Here, new members can see hive management first-hand while experienced beekeepers share their knowledge and perhaps learn new techniques.



Did you know that without honey bees we could not survive? Honey bees pollinate one-third of all the food we eat. In the U.S. each year, honey bees pollinate nearly 90 agricultural crops valued at more than \$20 billion. Can you imagine a life without watermelons, apples, almonds, blueberries, or honey? Honey bees fly the equivalent of a trip around the earth - 25,000 miles - to make eight ounces of honey.