

# QUEENRIGHT

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NORTHWEST INDIANA BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION.

A CLUB DEDICATED TO INFORMING THE PUBLIC, TEACHING NEW BEEKEEPERS AND HELPING THE ESTABLISHED HOBBY KEEPER

## Human Perspective- Alan Hopper

### SHUTTER BUGS WANTED!

I would like to put a call out to any shutterbugs to submit any bee related photos you might like to share on the website. These can be texted or e-mailed to Alan.

*Speaking of e-mail the conversion is helping, thank you!*

As of May 25 registration was still open for the Purdue Bee Lab Field Day, Saturday, June 16th in West Lafayette.

This is a great event relatively close to home. An allstar line up of speakers will facilitate three sessions, each with 6-hands on topics. Each session will allow beekeepers of all levels to learn more and hone their bee-keeping skills. For more information [www.indianabeekeeper.com/](http://www.indianabeekeeper.com/) Registration forms are available there for download as well as a link to register online! See you there!

## Month in Review

We were fortunate to avoid the rain during our last meeting at Dales. I think the threat of impending showers kept some away with only thirty six in attendance. The meeting was called to order by Ed followed by Denise recapping the minutes and financial report.

Swarm control and swarm traps were main topics of discussion along with various items for show and tell, including a homemade bee vacuum. Attendees who answered questions correctly were given 1 pound bags of buckwheat seeds, a favorite food source of the bees.

The remainder of the meeting consisted of two groups doing hive inspections. The group labeled "the dirty beesuits" (experienced) was led by Dale. The new suits were led by Alan and Floyd. Typical of any hands on outdoor meeting a good time was had by everyone.

Thank you to all who attended.

## Thank you

We would like to take a moment to thank Jakes Feed Store for their generous support of the newly created Jump Start program with a donation of packaged bees to our club; the recipient of which was Trevor Lindsay of Cedar Lake .

This program is a partnership between the TBOI and local clubs to promote and mentor 1st time beekeepers.

## June Meeting

**DATE & TIME:** June 2, 2018 @ 1:00pm  
**LOCATION:** Lake County Library Room A  
1919 W 81st Ave, Merrillville, IN 46410

## In Search Of Helping Hands!

We have several upcoming events listed below that are in need of volunteers. This is a great opportunity to network with fellow beekeepers.

for more information contact :

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## Honey Do List

Swarm control is the one of the hot topics right now. If you want good honey production, you need to prevent swarming.

If you have over wintered bees with two deeps you need to be inspecting to make sure your queen is laying in the bottom box before moving up to lay. If bottom box is empty consider reversing them. Make sure your queen always has plenty of room in the brood chamber. You can also start putting those honey supers on now.

## Bee Buys

*Bee related items for sale you can list it here. Simply provide a brief description, name, and phone number*

## DATES TO REMEMBER:

**South Lake Country Agricultural Historical Society**

34th Annual Antique Tractor Show: July 13-15

**166th Annual Lake County Fair**

Lake County Fairgrounds: August 3-12