



2019 ABF Conference & Tradeshow Agenda – V7

(tentative and subject to change)

Tuesday, January 8, 2019

8:00 AM – 11:00 AM	ABF Board of Directors Meeting
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	BIP2 TTT Meeting
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	ABF Membership/Education Committee Meeting
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	ABF Research Committee Meeting
3:00 PM – 5:00 PM	ABF Honey Queen Committee Meeting
4:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Registration/Information Desk Open
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	ABF Resolution/Executive Committee Meeting
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees Board of Trustee Meeting

Wednesday, January 9, 2019

7:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Registration/Information Desk Open
8:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Honey Show Entry Drop-off
8:00 AM –	Auction Item Drop-off
8:00 AM – 8:20 AM	Opening Ceremonies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Call to Order & Introductions ▪ Presentation of Colors ▪ “Star-Spangled Banner” & “O Canada” – Gene Brandi and Tim May to trumpet ▪ Welcome – Kerry Owen, President, South Carolina Beekeepers Association ▪ Invocation – Blake Shook, Desert Creek Honey, Blue Ridge, TX
8:20 AM – 8:40 AM	President’s Address – Tim May, President, American Beekeeping Federation (ABF)
8:40 AM – 8:45 AM	General Session Keynote Sponsor Presentation
8:45 AM – 9:35 AM	Keynote Presentation: Restoring Bee Health: Molecules to Landscapes, Dr. Marla Spivak, Professor, Dept. Entomology, University of Minnesota, St Paul, MN
9:35 AM – 10:00 AM	USDA Pesticide Data Program 2017 Honey Testing Results – Roger Simonds, National Science Laboratories Chief at USDA Gastonia, NC
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Group Beverage Break
10:30 AM – 10:50 AM	Update from the National Honey Board – Margaret Lombard, CEO, National Honey Board, Firestone, CO
10:50 AM – 11:20 AM	Translational Research at The Beltsville Bee Research Laboratory – Dr. Jay Evans, USDA ARS, Beltsville, MD
11:20 AM – 11:35 AM	Platinum Sponsor Presentation
11:35 AM – 12:00 PM	Update from the EPA - Mike Goodis, the Director of OPP’s Registration Division, Washington, DC
12:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Tradeshow Open
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch (on own)
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	ABF State Delegates Assembly Lunch (by invitation only)
1:30 PM – 1:35 PM	General Session resumes w/Announcements and invitation to Apimondia
1:35 PM – 1:55 PM	Legislative Update – Fran Boyd, Meyers and Associates, Washington, D.C.
1:55 PM – 2:10 PM	Platinum Sponsor Presentation – Mann Lake Ltd.
2:10 PM – 2:25 PM	Report from the Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees & Introduction of Foundation Scholars - Joan Gunter, Chairman, Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees
2:25 PM – 2:40 PM	Introduction of 2018 American Honey Queen and Princess and the 2019 Honey Queen Contestants – Anna Kettlewell, Chairperson, American Honey Queen Committee, Badger State Apiaries, Greenfield, WI
2:40 PM – 3:00 PM	UPS Presentation
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	Group Refreshment Break (Tradeshow)
3:00 PM – 6:00 PM	BIP Board Meeting
3:30 PM – 4:15 PM	Varroa Destructor Feeds on Bee Blood and Two Other Alternative Facts – Dr. Samuel Ramsey, Bee Research Lab USDA-ARS, Beltsville, MD
4:15 PM – 5:00 PM	Honey Bee Health Coalition Update – Matthew Mulica, Keystone Policy Center, Keystone, CO
5:15 PM – 6:00 PM	ABF New Member Orientation
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Welcome Reception in the Tradeshow 7:00 PM Beekeeping Brain Buster Entertainment - Live Auction

Thursday, January 10, 2019

6:30 AM – 7:30 AM	FITNESS: Morning Walk
7:30 AM – 5:00 PM	Registration/Information Desk Open
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Tradeshow Open
8:00 AM	All Silent Auction Tables Open
8:30 AM – 8:35 AM	General Session resumes with Announcements
8:35 AM – 8:40 AM	General Session Keynote Sponsor Presentation
8:40 AM – 9:35 AM	Keynote Presentation: Interactions Between Insecticides and Fungicides Applied to Almonds During Bloom - Dr. Reed Johnson, Department of Entomology, Ohio State University, Wooster, OH
9:35 AM – 10:00 AM	Toward a Fungal Pharmacy: Using Metarhizium and Mushroom Extracts for Honey Bee Health – Dr. Walter Sheppard, Washington State University, Pullman, WA
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Group Refreshment Break in the Tradeshow
10:30 AM – 10:50 AM	Bee-friendly microbial control of arachnid and arthropod pests – Vera Strogolova, Strong Microbials Inc., Milwaukee, WI
11:00 AM – 11:25 AM	Bee Storage is Not Just for Winter: Commercial Scale Brood Break for Varroa Control – Dr. Brandon Hopkins, Washington State University, Pullman, WA
11:25 AM – 11:40 AM	Platinum Sponsor Presentation
11:40 AM – 12:00 PM	Using Photography to Improve Your Recordkeeping and Educational Programs – Dr. Jennifer Tsuruda, Clemson University, Clemson, SC
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	*Auxiliary Luncheon
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch (on own)

	SIG Meetings			
	Small-Scale/Sideliner	Package Bee & Queen Breeders	Honey Producer/Packer	Commercial
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Biology and Behavior – Gary Reuter, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN	BIP Presentation	Give Them What They Want: Learning to Listen to Your Customers – Alyssa Fine, Pittsburgh Honey and Abeille Beauté LLC, Pittsburgh, PA	Medical Issues in the Apiary: How to Prevent, Recognize and Address – Dr. Michael Misko, Centerview, MO
2:00 PM – 2:15 PM	SIG Business	SIG Business	SIG Business	SIG Business
2:15 PM – 2:45 PM	10 Best Practices in Modern Beekeeping – Lance Wilson, Austin Beekeepers Association, Austin TX	Baton Rouge Bee Lab	Managing Colony Numbers to Meet Demands - Tim Wilbanks, Heritage Honeybee, LLC Sullivan, WI	In Search of Research Needs of Commercial Beekeepers. What Have We Learn so Far? - Humberto Freire Boncristiani, University of Florida Bee Lab, Gainesville, FL
2:45 PM – 3:15 PM		Rossman Apiaries in Georgia	Growing Your Honey Business: Bottling, Labeling, and New Products - William Palmer, East Troy Honey Co., LLC, East Troy, WI	Coming soon!
3:15 PM – 3:45 PM	Refreshment Break in the Tradeshow			
3:30 PM	Silent Auction – Amber Tables Close			
3:45 PM – 5:15 PM	Electronic Hive Monitoring: Fad or the Future? – Bee Informed Partnership Panel			
6:30 PM – 9:30 PM	*Social Activity – Dinner and Entertainment at WonderWorks			

* Requires additional registration fee

Friday, January 11, 2019

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6:30 AM – 7:30 AM	FITNESS: TBD	
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Registration/Information Desk Open	
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Tradeshow Open	
8:00 AM	Silent Action – Dark Tables Open	
8:30 AM – 8:35 AM	General Session resumes with Announcements	
8:35 AM – 8:40 AM	General Session Keynote Sponsor Presentation	
8:40 AM – 9:35 AM	Keynote Presentation: Dennis vanEngelsdorp, Department of Entomology, University of Maryland, College Park, MD & President, Bee Informed Partnership	
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Kids and Bees	
9:35 AM – 10:05 AM	The Art & Science of Getting Great Honey Bee Forage on the Landscape - Peter Berthelsen, The Bee & Butterfly Habitat Fund, St. Paul, NE	
10:05 AM – 10:35 AM	Group Refreshment Break in the Tradeshow	
10:20 AM	Silent Auction – Dark Tables Close	
10:35 AM – 11:05 AM	Bee Lab Update #1 – Baton Rouge	
11:05 AM – 11:25 AM	BIP Presentation	
11:25 AM – 11:40 AM	Platinum Sponsor Presentation	
11:40 AM – 12:00 PM	Project Apis m	
12:00 PM – 12:10 PM	Gold Sponsor Presentation – Cowen Manufacturing	
12:10 PM – 1:40 PM	*Foundation Luncheon	
12:10 PM – 1:40 PM	Lunch (on own)	
1:40 PM – 1:45 PM	General Session resumes with Announcements	
1:45 PM – 2:10 PM	MiteCheck: A National Strategy to Reduce Honey Bee Colony Loss from the Varroa Mite – Dr. Rebecca Masterman, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN	
2:10 PM – 2:15 PM	Silver Sponsor Presentation – Brushy Mountain	
2:15 PM – 2:35 PM	Pollinator Friendly Solar Sites - Rob Davis, Fresh Energy, St. Paul, MN	
2:35 PM – 2:55 PM	Bees on the International Space Station - Ken Savin, Ph.D., Eli Lilly and Company, Indianapolis, IN	
2:55 PM – 3:00 PM	Silver Sponsor Presentation – Gamber Container	
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	Group Refreshment Break	
3:30 PM – 6:00 PM	ABF Business Meeting	
Immediately following the ABF Business Meeting	Honey Show Live Auction Reception	

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Saturday, January 12, 2019

7:30 AM – 9:30 AM	Commercial Beekeepers Breakfast/Meeting Facilitator: Tim May Panelist: - George Hansen - Gene Brandi - Dr. Norberto Garcia
7:00 AM – 1:00 PM	Registration/Information Desk Open
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	How to Make Creamed Honey – Kristi Sanderson, Sweet Prairie Honey, Olathe, KS
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Passing It On: Educating Children about Honey Bees – Kim Lehman, Storyteller, Musician, Educator, Author, Austin, TX
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	University of Minnesota Bee Squad Programs: Engaging Local Communities to Pollinator Outreach and Awareness – Ana Heck, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Skin Care with Beeswax and Honey – Becky & Steve Tipton, Country Creek Honey, Meriden, KS
9:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Growing into a Commercial Beekeeper Business - Blake Shook, Desert Creek
9:30 AM – 11:30 AM	BIP Stakeholders Meeting
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Group Refreshment Break
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Candle Making – Ginger Reuter, Amery, WI
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Commercial Beekeeping in the Digital Age
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Bees as Seeds- A discussion on the connection between habitat, nutrition, health and longevity of bees and their relationship to breeding – Melanie Kirby, Washington State University, Pullman, WA
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Honey Bee Morphology and Anatomy – Yong Park, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, AR
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Medical Issues in the Apiary: How to Prevent, Recognize and Address, Dr. Michael Misko, Centerview, MO
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch (on own)
1:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Encaustic Painting – George Hansen, Foothills Honey, Colton, OR
1:30 PM – 3:00 PM	How to Get More Young People Involved and the Study of Different Generations and Their Interests - Mike Klem, OH
1:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Varroa Mites - Gary Reuter, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN
1:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Honey Bee Morphology and Anatomy – Yong Park, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, AR (repeat session)
1:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Improved Overwinter Survival with Reduced Nest Cavity Size – Dr. Doug Vinson, NC State Beekeepers Association, Conover, NC
1:30 PM – 3:30 PM	ABF Board of Directors Meeting
6:00 PM – 6:30 PM	*ABF Annual Reception
6:30 PM – 9:30 PM	*ABF Annual Banquet w/Live Auction

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