

NEKBA MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Our principal purposes are the betterment of beekeeping, improvement of hive products and the grade of bees, and developing a higher degree of efficiency in beekeeping.

Beekeeping has been described as a passion of the natural world, a great responsibility, and a rewarding stewardship –nature, science, art, and chance all rolled into one endeavor.

Our members enjoy a range of valuable benefits and experiences, in appreciation of their generous support. Here are a few of the many benefits that come with your membership:

- ❖ Monthly meetings -the fellowship of other Beekeepers, offering the opportunity to exchange ideas and experiences.
- ❖ Advice on all aspects of Beekeeping and becoming more self-sufficient.
- ❖ *The Buzzer* – the monthly newsletter from your association to give you information about programs, dates, and locations as well as to inform you as to the operation and function of the association.
- ❖ Lectures, videos, slide shows, and fellowship throughout the year.
- ❖ Outline of course-of-events (tips) published in the association newsletter for taking care of your honey bees throughout the year.
- ❖ Offer training and information to local beekeepers as well as advice to members on all beekeeping matters. Get local support when you're in a crisis or just need to ask some questions.
- ❖ Free use of the association library of old and new beekeeping books, videos, and DVD's. The library is a very important part of our service to members!
- ❖ Leadership development.
- ❖ Discounted rate through the association membership to trade publications: *American Bee Journal*. **This discount was discontinued for *Bee Culture* in 2014 due to increased costs and is still a fantastic magazine to subscribe to at \$2.08 per monthly issue!
- ❖ One thing about this endeavor—you learn from other beekeepers; you usually learn more from the bees themselves.
- ❖ We offer region-specific knowledge.