

Northeastern Kansas Beekeepers' Bee Funday

2025 Bee FunDay, Saturday June 7th, 2025

2025 Bee FunDay SPECIAL EVENTS

Funday is approaching quickly. Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 7th in Lawrence KS. We have added some exciting new events to the day. Please check them out as they involve prior actions on your part.

1. **Deep Dive Queen Rearing, a Masterclass-** This 2 ½ hour queen rearing class will be taught by the queen rearing experts, Jim Kellie, John Speckman and Matt Winstead! This workshop will be 2 ½ hours long and you must commit to being there the whole time. It is limited to 25 pre-registered guests. There is not an additional fee, but you will need to pay the Funday registration fee, by June 1st. Of course, you will also be able to attend the rest of the Funday. I suspect that this will fill up quickly. We will also have a waiting list, **anyone not registered for the Funday by June 1st will be removed from the class and someone from the wait list will be allowed to fill that spot.** To register, call or text Joli at 913-593-3562 or email to heartlandhoneyKS@gmail.com. Include your email address and phone number.
2. **Honey Bee Photography Contest:** This fun event is a new addition this year! All photos must be 8 ½ X 10 inches and matted. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place. Contest will be judged by Eugene Makovec, editor of the American Bee Journal. Photos must be turned in by 8:30 am and participants must be registered attendees at the Funday.
Photos may be Black and White or Color
Photos must be of Honey bees or any aspect of beekeeping
Two age categories:
Youth: 17 and under
Adult: 18 and over
3. **Hive or Super Painting/Decorating Contest:** This year we won't have a theme so use your creativity; anything goes. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. Bring in your decorated hive body or super! Entries must be turned in by 8:30 to be included in the contest and participants must be registered attendees at the Funday. **Two age categories: Youth: 17 and under &. Adult: 18 and over**

2025 Bee FunDay Queen Rearing CLASS

LOCATION: Douglas County Fairgrounds

ADDRESS: 2110 Harper St, Lawrence, KS Douglas County Fairgrounds

DAY: Saturday, June 07, 2025

TIME: 8:30AM - 4:30PM During the FunDay event 2.5 hours

COST: \$ Included w. Bee FunDay Registration

LIMITED: Only 25 students may enroll

LIMITED: Each NEKBA member may only enroll themselves by contacting Joli Winer. Join us for an in-depth 2 1/2 hour class on the art and science of queen rearing this intensive session will cover the entire process of queen rearing.

Contact Joli Winer to register at heartlandhoneyks@gmail.com for more information.

Notes:

+ There are three primary instructors working collaboratively to produce this class.

Presenters: Jim Kellie, John Speckman, Matt Winstead.

+ Please check your schedule closely. NEKBA policy is 'No Refunds' due to the limited class space for this event.

PREREQUISITES :

+ Each attendee must enroll by contacting [Joli Winer](#). Space is limited to 25 attendees.