CLUB LIBRARY



CREATING A RESOURCE LIBRARY FOR YOUR CLUB













BUILDING A LIBRARY

Adding a resource library to your club can help educate your members and save money by sharing the expense of high value books and content. Beekeeping resources range from full-sized text books to magazines and by building a shared library, club members will have access to more information without the significant cost.

Who would use a bee library?

- New beekeepers
- Beekeepers looking to expand their knowledge on niche topics such as:
 - High nutrient plants
 - Queen rearing
 - Expanding their bee operation
 - Bee biology
 - Bee communication
 - Diseases and pests
 - Building bee equipment
 - Treatment free methods for pest and disease control
 - Bee genetics
- Beekeepers looking to stay up to date on the current state of beekeeping through articles, magazines, and other periodicals

The library can grow over time and is a great way to add value to your club members.





BOOK LIST

There are countless resources available and amazing books and authors to learn from. Here are some of our favorites with you to get you started:

Beginner (start with one or two of these):

- Beginning Beekeeping by Tanya Phillips
- Top Bar Beekeeping by Les Crowder
- Beekeeping for Dummies by Howland Blackiston
- The Backyard Beekeeper by Kim Flottum
- Natural Beekeeping by Ross Conrad
- First Lessons in Beekeeping by Keith Delaplane
- The Beekeepers Handbook by Diana Sammataro

Additional, more advanced topics:

- The ABC and XYZ of Bee Culture by A.I. Root
- Honey Bee Biology by Dewey Caron
- Garden Plants for Honey Bees by Peter Lindtner
- The Honeybee Democracy by Thomas Seeley
- Attracting Native Pollinators by Xerces Society
- The Essentials Collection by Lawrence John Connor
 - Bee-sentials
 - Increase Essentials
 - Queen Rearing Essentials
 - Bee Sex Essentials
- The Hive and the Honey Bee by J.W. Graham
- Honey Bee Diseases and Pests by C. Scott DuPree
- Honey Bee Democracy by Tom Seeley
- Bee Equipment Essentials by Ed Simon
- The Beekeepers Bible by Stewart Tabori
- Following the Wild Bees by Thomas Seeley
- Health and The Honey Bee by Charles Mraz
- Queen Bee: Biology, Rearing, and Breeding by David Woodward
- Two Million Blossoms by Kristen Traynor
- Honey Bee Pests, Predators, and Diseases by Roger Morse & Kim Flottum
- Managing Alternative Pollinators by Mader, Spivak, and Evans
- History of American Beekeeping by Frank Pellett
- Following The Bloom by Douglass Whynott
- Bee Time by Mark L. Winston



PERIODICALS

Periodicals are a great way to access timely research as well as anecdotal knowledge from beekeepers working in the industry in real time. The club could subscribe or share issues with members.

- TBA Journal
- Bee Culture
- American Bee Journal

ASK FOR DONATIONS

Building a great library can be accomplished even quicker with the help of your members. Make sure you share your library resources at each meeting to remind members to check books out, donate books they're no longer using, and even proactively adding to the collection - having a contest for the most books donated or other incentives may help you get to your library goals even faster!



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