

2021 Bee Management Plan & Calendar

Goals:

1. Grow club apiary to 16 colonies.
2. Sell excess bee livestock.

Dates are approximate. If cold weather, advance to following week.

The tasks will be explained more clearly during the learning sessions.

Spring

Date	Task
Feb 15	Syrup & dust all colonies 5 frames of bees or more, Pollen patties on all colonies
Feb 25	Syrup & dust all colonies 5 frames of bees or more, Pollen patties on all colonies
March 8	Syrup all colonies
March 15	Varroa roll 6 colonies, Mark colonies for queen replacement, Order Queens
March 22	Requeen
April 7	Equalize. Estimate natural increase for April 21. Order queens
April 21	Varroa roll 6 colonies. Make increase. Add honey super

Summer

Date	Task
May 15	Varroa roll 6. Make increase.
June 8	Check dearth. Syrup and pollen patty. One MiteWipe formic acid pad (if varroa 5%)
June 15	Varroa roll 6 colonies. Mark colonies for queen replacement.
June 22	Requeen. First honey harvest. Super
July 15	Varroa roll 6 colonies. Super
Aug 15	Varroa roll 6 colonies. Super

Fall & Winter

Aug 31	Last honey harvest. Natural mite treatment (Hopguard, Thymol, Oxalic Acid, etc.). Mark colonies for queen replacement. Order queens. Feed syrup and dust.
Sept 7	Requeen. Feed syrup and dust.
Sep 15	Varroa roll 6 colonies. Feed syrup
Oct 15	Varroa roll 6 colonies. (if 2% or higher, plan for Apivar in January)
Dec 1	Oxalic Acid drizzle