

Newsletter
March 2022

Skagit Valley Beekeepers Association

March 10 SVBA Silent Auction and Dinner is ON!

It's back, and you are invited! Please join us at our festive annual silent auction and potluck dinner which will be held on March 10th at the Sedro-Woolley Senior Center. We will begin the event at 6 PM so that you can bring your silent auction items, look around, and catch up with other SVBA members. The dinner and auction will then kickoff at 7 PM. We will even squeeze in a few moments to hold our monthly meeting. For directions, click <https://www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/HumanServices/SeniorCenters/SedroWoolley/directions.htm>

Silent Auction

Bring Stuff and Buy a Lot

The annual silent auction will support the SVBA finances, and you can grab some great deals at the same time. Beekeeping-related items have been a big attraction in the past, and it's a good time to donate and buy them before the 2022 season is in full swing. But we should underline other donated items that can also attract a buyer and contribute to the cause. Maybe homemade pies or a shared fishing trip on the Skagit chasing salmon? Maybe round-trip air fare to Hawaii next February including a week-long stay at a time share condo, including lunch with a local beekeeper? Think about it, and use your imaginations.

Dinner Fixings

Bill and his King



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Trading Post

- **Bow resident would like to rent 2 to 3 hives to support 1.5 acres of fruit plantings.** Gary Moulton has some pear, apple, and other fruit trees that would benefit from 1 hive by mid-March and 1 or 2 hives from early April to mid-May. If you are interested, contact Gary gamoulton@wavecable.com or by phone 360-391-5867.
- **Up to 6 beehive sites on Sedro-Wooley farm in exchange for a few jars of honey.** Paula Schaefer and her sister have a farm on East Gilligan Creek Road with 10 acres of forest and 10 acres they farm for hay. If you are interested in placing some hives there, contact Paula paula64schaefer@gmail.com or her cell phone (402) 203-8686.

If you have supplies and equipment that you may be interested in swapping, selling, or just plain giving to other interested members of the SVBA, send a brief description, price, and contact information to your editor, cecilbees121@gmail.com.

Membership: Renew or Join

If you haven't already sprung at the chance, your 2022 SVBA membership dues are now due. It's easy, simply mail us your annual renewal fee of just \$12.00. For those who wish to join, it's the same price, and a wonderful introduction to our beekeeping community with the many programs, events, education, advice and connections that we offer through our web page, Facebook, and this newsletter. The membership form and payment instructions are found at:

<http://skagitvalleybeekeepers.org/SVBAMembership.htm>



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