



## 2018 BEGINNER BEEKEEPING CLASS REGISTRATION FORM

Please provide the following information:

STUDENT #1- NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$100 = \_\_\_\_\_

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ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Current SABA membership is required to take beekeeping classes.**

If you are a SABA Life member or a current member with dues paid for 2018 or later, you do not need to purchase the membership to take the class. One membership is required per household.

**Annual Membership** ..... [  ] New Member ..... [  ] Renewal X \$15 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Five-Year Membership** ..... [  ] New Member ..... [  ] Renewal X \$60 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Lifetime Membership** ..... [  ] New Member ..... [  ] Upgrade X \$150 = \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL** = \_\_\_\_\_

*Dues are per calendar year. Members joining after Sept. 1 will have dues paid through the following year.*

Make check payable to **SABA** and return this form to our Treasurer:

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## **SABA Classes for Spring 2018**

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Even if you have been keeping bees for years, a class could give you new ideas and a refreshing feeling of enthusiasm, so you may want to try it out! Topics covered in the Beginner class series are skills everyone uses every year. Classes will be taught by Mike Coppola, Chris Cripps, Anne Frey, and Aaron Morris.

**Class dates:** 6-8:45 pm 3/21, 3/28, 4/4, 4/11, 4/18. Plus a daytime (Saturday) bee yard class TBA.

**Topics include** choosing equipment and ways to get bees, basic bee life cycle, locating a place for your hives, working your bees comfortably, use of a smoker and hive tool, feeding, getting comb drawn well, supering, swarming, fall management, winter prep, hive products, basic disease and pest ID & management. This series is for people who range from just starting out to those who have had bees for years but are not confident with the bees, or who may be on a treadmill of annual hive death.

**Time and Location:** Night classes will be held from 6-8:45pm in half of the auditorium at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Building, at 50 West High St, Ballston Spa, 12020 (518-885-8995). A final, additional 2 hour long daytime class (on a Saturday) will be held in a nearby bee yard in the spring, date, time and location to be announced.

**Costs:** 6 classes for \$100. That's 14 hours of instruction for \$100!! (Membership not included, but required. Books not included, but required.)

**Membership:** These are the membership choices: \$15/year, or \$60 for 5 years, or \$150 for lifetime.

**Required texts:** Hive Management by Bonney and A Beekeeper's Handbook by Sammataro and Avitabile. When you register, you will be provided with links to purchase the books through Amazon.

**Registration:** You may register and pay online at the SABA website (<http://adirondackbees.org>), or by mail through the Treasurer with a check. Use the accompanying registration form.

**SABA Youth Award applicants get beginner classes for free. Only winners are automatically registered, though. Other applicants, please register early!**