

Top 10 reasons to be a beekeeper

#10 - *There is very little winter time work with honeybees. They don't need feeding, watering, shoveling, milking or anything else.*

#9 - *No cows, goats, chickens, rabbits or whatever to jump the fence, knock down the fence, crawl under the fence and get out.*

#8 - *Bees make honey. More honey than they need to survive a winter on their own. They share the surplus with the beekeeper.*

#7 - *Honeybees pollinate. Honeybees' main foods are nectar/honey and pollen collected as they fly from flower to flower.*

#6 - *Honeybee equipment, while having a cost, is far less expensive than other farm or agricultural equipment. A hive of honeybees doesn't require oil, gasoline, diesel or anything else to run.*

#5 - *If you get too many colonies of honeybees for your backyard, then unlike cows or something else big, you can simply ask a neighbor if you can put some of your valuable honeybees on his property in the unused place in the back.*

#4 - *The honeybee works for almost nothing. They feed themselves and clean up after themselves as well. If you could develop a breed of goats that collected hay and brought it back to the barn to use in winter and then cleaned out the barn as well, you would have something almost as good as a honeybee.*

#3 - *You don't have to get up at 2:00 in the morning to check if they are hatching or calving.*

#2 - *You don't have to own large tracts of your land or barns or fences. You can live in an apartment building and have all your colonies located on the roof.*

#1 - *Honeybees are the keystone fundamental pollinator specie of agriculture and for wildlife. They produce an almost perfect energy food, honey. They are a very forgiving livestock. You don't have to be perfect to be a perfect beekeeper. Honeybees do not necessarily require the management skills of a learned beekeeper for optimum results. Beekeeping can be a family hobby passed through generations like an heirloom treasure.*

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Anyone Can Become a Beekeeper

It makes no difference if you are a man, woman or younger child, you can become a beekeeper whether you live in the big city, the suburbs or out in the country side.

Beekeeping is a fun and very interesting hobby that will provide you a tasty treat for your home table or as a gift for relatives, friends or neighbors.

As long as you are mobile enough to get around your yard by one means or another, there is no reason why (with maybe a little help from a friend or relative for lifting hive boxes) you cannot take up beekeeping along with anyone else.

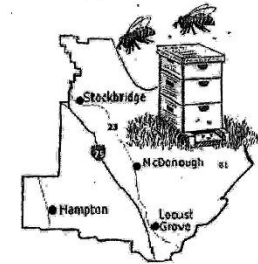
Beekeeping can provide you with a lifetime interest that can keep you learning something new everyday. It can also provide you with many pleasurable moments of relief from the daily stresses of living and working.

To get started learning how to become a beekeeper, fill out the reverse side of this form; bring it with you to the monthly meeting or mail to address below:

**Henry County Beekeepers
Larry Newsome-Treasurer
1020 South Jeff Davis Drive
Fayetteville, GA 30215**

Membership Form

Henry County



Beekeepers

www.henrycountybeekeepers.org

Help solve the honeybee problem

A hobby the family can share

Join Henry County Beekeepers

**Monthly Meetings
7:00 P.M. 2nd Tuesday of Month
Farm Bureau Building
(Rear side door)
117 Racetrack Road
McDonough, GA**

Questions?

Call Tom Bonnell at 678-983-7698

Henry County



Henry County Beekeepers Family Membership Form

Beekeepers

Member Information

Name: _____

Spouse: _____

Mailing address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

ZIP Code: _____

County: _____

Phone: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

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For Year _____ Family Membership Dues ~ \$25.00

Membership includes monthly newsletter

Date: ____/____/____ Cash Check Check # _____

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