



ONTARIO BEEKEEPERS'
ASSOCIATION
Since 1881

2015 Annual General Meeting & Conference

Holiday Inn Peterborough Waterfront
150 George Street, Peterborough, ON K9J 3G5

AGENDA

PRE-CONFERENCE EVENTS: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH

10:00 am – 2:30 pm



Bee Biosecurity Workshop, Paul Reeds, OSCIA; Mel Kempers, OBA TTP

3:30 – 7:00 pm

OBA Board Meeting

5:00 – 8:00 pm

OBA Registration Desk open

7:00 – 8:00 pm

Reception with Exhibitors – all exhibitors, sponsors and delegates welcome!



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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH

7:30 – 8:45 am	Local Beekeepers' Association Presidents Breakfast Meeting (by invitation only)
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	OBA Registration Desk open Drop off your 3 500 g jars of honey for  HEx, OBA's Honey Exchange
8:30 am – 5:00 pm	Tradeshow open
9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Conference Sessions
1:30 – 5:00 pm	Exchange your  HEx Honey Exchange vouchers for 3 jars of honey at OBA Table
6:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Buzz Banquet – reception, silent auction, awards, dinner (advance ticket required)

9:00	Welcome! Tibor Szabo, Conference Co-Chair, OBA President
9:05	EAS 2015 Highlights, André Flys, EAS Conference Chair
9:10	A View from Québec, Scott Plante, Québec Beekeeper
9:40	Essentials for Wax Dipping of Bee Hive Woodenware, Dr. Tony Kadai, Canada Wax
10:15	Issues Management & External Relations Committee Report Honey Promotions, Dennis Edell, Chair
10:35	Break
10:50	Research and Knowledge Transfer Committee Report, Tibor Szabo, Chair & Les Eccles, Tech- Transfer Program Lead Specialist
11:05	AFB Research Project, Dr. Durda Slavik, University of Guelph
11:30	Canadian Honey Council Report, Jim Coneybeare, OBA VP and Delegate to CHC
11:40	Treasurer's Report, Julie White, Treasurer
11:50	Membership Development and Communications Committee Report, Julie White, Chair
11:55	Nominations Committee Report and Introduction of Nominees for election to OBA Board of Directors, Bill Ferguson, Chair

12:20 Lunch

1:20	Election of OBA Directors, Bill Ferguson, Chair
1:40	Resolutions Presented & Discussed, Paul Kelly, Chair, Resolutions Committee
2:10	Getting Ready to Launch, Commercial Beekeepers' Program at Niagara College, Alan Unwin
2:30	Record-keeping Handbook for Food Safety and Biosecurity, Svenja Bellaoussoff

2:50 Break



3:05	Spotlight on Small Hive Beetle <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Framing a response to small hive beetle, Tim Greer, Chair Living with SHB – Lessons from Essex, Tom Congdon, Sun Parlour Honey The US Experience with SHB, Dr. Keith Delaplane, University of Georgia SHB Best Management Practices, Les Eccles & OBA Tech-Transfer Program Team SHB Mitigation Strategy – A Collaborative Approach, Kelly McAslan, OMAFRA OBA SHB Working Group Update, Tim Greer, Chair Q&A, Tim Greer, Chair
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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH

8:00 am – 5:00 pm	OBA Registration Desk open Drop off your honey for  HEx, OBA's Honey Exchange
8:30 am – 3:45 pm	Tradeshow open
9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Conference Sessions
1:00 – 3:00 pm	Exchange your  HEx Honey Exchange vouchers for 3 jars of honey at OBA Table

9:00	Welcome! André Flys, Conference Co-Chair
9:05	Provincial Apiarist Updates, Paul Kozak
9:40	Queen Multiple Mating as a Tool for Honey Bee Health, Dr. Keith Delaplane, U of Georgia
10:10	Effects of sub-lethal doses of Thiamethoxam and Clothianidin on Queen Fertility in Ontario, OBA Tech-Transfer Program Team

10:45 Break

11:00	Final Reading, Discussion & Vote on Resolutions, Paul Kelly, Chair
11:30	U of Guelph Honey Bee Research Centre Update, Dr. Ernesto Guzman, Nuria Morfin, David MacKay
12:30	Greetings from Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, Jeff Leal

1:00 Lunch

2:10	Nosema Study, Dan Borges, OBA Tech-Transfer Program Specialist
2:30	Simultaneous Tracks (choose one):

Commercial Track - Saffron Room <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agricorp's New Bee Mortality Insurance Program, Rebecca Metzger Québec Pollination Contracts, Scott Plante 	Business Development Toolkit Track - Regency Rm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Honey Tasting Event How To's, Natalie Comeau Ontario Honey Regs, Loree Saunders, Paul Bailey, OMAFRA
3:30 Break	3:45 Break
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mitigating Risk using ACC's Advanced Payment Program for Honey Production, Sam Zahnd, ACC Mastering your Growing Forward 2 grant application, Barb Caswell, OSCIA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leveraging the Power\$ of Foodland Ontario brand, Sandra Jones, OMAFRA