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**OBA's Annual General Meeting & Conference Next Month  
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November 16 & 17, 2018

Lamplighter Inn & Conference Centre, London, Ontario

Another Joint Event!

We welcome the **Canadian Association of Professional Apiculturists &  
Canadian Honey Council!**

Mark your calendar for Friday, November 16 and Saturday, November 17 (with optional activities offered pre- and post-conference) and join beekeepers, researchers and apiculturists from across Canada at the [Lamplighter Inn & Conference Centre](#) in London for this rare provincial meeting with a strong national flavour.

Hot on the heels of last year's high energy joint meeting with Empire State Honey Producers, this year's extensive program offers something for everyone. Whether you're a new beekeeper just starting out or an experienced

producer, you will take away tips, tools and techniques that you can apply right away in your beeyard and honey house. You'll also connect (or re-connect), laugh, learn, shop and engage with members of this sweetly vibrant community.

**View the Conference Program and Registration Forms [here](#).**

And **reserve your accommodations** at the Best Western [Lamplighter Inn & Conference Centre](#), [591 Wellington Road South, London, Ontario](#) by **calling the hotel directly at 519 681-7151 by October 19** and refer to Ontario beekeepers group discount, \$139/night.

**Presenters include:**

- Dr. Ernesto Guzman, Honey Bee Research Centre, University of Guelph on Varroa
- Dr. Stephen Pernal, Beaverlodge Research Farm, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada on the Future of AFB Management
- Dr. Shelley Hoover, Alberta Agriculture and Forestry on Stock Assessment
- Local Beekeeper, Dan Heffernan, Heff's Hives
- Vince Aloyo, Master Beekeeper
- André Abi Raad, Mead Maker, Intermiel
- Dr. Pierre Giovenazzo, Université Laval on Queen Shipping Methods
- and much more...

Get ready for new Antimicrobial requirements and the beekeeper / vet relationship for 2019.

Find out what's happening in Ontario from Provincial Apiarist Paul Kozak, what the OBA has been doing on behalf of beekeepers all year long and future issues and activities, and the latest on OBA's Tech-Transfer Program projects.

What's up with BeeOmics? Queen Pheromones? Pollination? ...

Check out the pre-conference learning opportunities [on Thursday](#) and the optional Honey House Tour on Sunday.

Contribute Honey or Mead to the competition or bring along 3 jars of honey to exchange

And don't forget your shopping list and drop by the extensive Vendor showcase!

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Plan to attend the [Royal](#), November 2 - 11 at Exhibition Place.

## **Austrian Fruit Grower Jailed for Killing Bees**

Reported in *The Local*, September 27, 2018

An Austrian fruit grower was handed a rare prison sentence Wednesday for having illegally spread an insecticide which led to the deaths of dozens of neighbouring bee colonies.

The 47-year-old man had spread a powerful insecticide called chlorpyrifos over his trees in the Lavanttal area of Carinthia province, at a time when their blossoms were still attracting bees.

More than 50 colonies belonging to two neighbouring apiarists perished.

Read the full story [here](#).

**From [Agricorp](#): SDRM producers can receive payment by year end.**

Ontario's Risk Management Program (RMP) helps commercial producers manage risks beyond their control, like fluctuating costs and market prices. Under the RMP plan for edible horticulture, producers deposit funds into self-directed risk management (SDRM) accounts and the deposit is matched by the government to help mitigate risk associated with farm business.

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