

Beekeeping & Colony Management /Lecture and Discussion
Establishing and Maintaining Nucleus Colonies

Presented by San Juan Apiaries



Please join us at the *Natural Grocers Conference Room* / 3328 Cerrillos Road, Santa Fe, N.M. 87507

When: Saturday, March 24th. 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Who should attend: Everyone is welcome, regardless of experience. Beginners too!

Refreshments: Bottled water will be provided; no snacks

This discussion will focus on how to keep bees in standard *Langstroth box hive equipment*. While top bar beekeeping is also very popular, my expertise has always been keeping bees for honey production in *Langstroth style equipment*. Numerous schools of thought abound regarding how best to keep and manage a bee colony. This lecture and discussion will hopefully afford you the opportunity to learn a great deal about keeping bees in our locality; and how best to keep them alive. You can then decide what equipment and bee philosophy best suits your particular needs. (Thanks, John)

Topics & Agenda

Establishing and managing nucleus colonies

VSH & Russian Queenbees

John Gagne is owner of San Juan Apiaries, in Santa Fe, and has kept and managed bees for over 35 years (yes before mites!). A former commercial beekeeper in Virginia, John has lived and raised bees here for over 25 years. San Juan Apiaries manages bee yards along the Rio Grande River with a focus on honey production. In addition, a primary goal centers on establishing and managing smaller nucleus colonies to maintain a sustainable apiary.

* Kindly RSVP via phone or email so we know who will attend (sanjuanbees@yahoo.com) 505-424-7025