

Bee Keeping: Intermediate GLNA2967

This intermediate workshop offers participants both theory and practical field experience in the art of beekeeping at a more advanced level. As a pre-requisite, registrants must have kept bees for at least one complete season and have a good basic knowledge of fundamental beekeeping techniques.

Topics:

- A brief history of beekeeping and the evolution of honey bees
- The honey bee anatomy, form and function
- Individual and social physiology of honey bees
- Products of the hive: honey, pollen, propolis, beeswax, Royal Jelly
- Development and nutrition
- Pheromones and the chemical world of bees
- The collection of food and other resources
- Reproduction, swarming and supersedure
- Queen production and mating
- Seasonal considerations for maximizing colonies
- Supering for maximum honey production
- Crop removal, processing, packaging and marketing
- Disease and pest management strategies..and more!

Facilitator: Bob Liptrot has been bee keeping for 45 years in the Fraser Valley and most recently, for the past 12 years, here in Sooke. Bob holds a Masters in Entomology from SFU and is the owner of first meadry in Western Canada, Tugwell Creek Honey Farm and Meadry. <u>www.tugwellcreekfarm.com</u>

Length: 5 evenings, 3 hours each Date: Tue & Thu, Feb 19, 21, 26, 28, & Mar 5, 2013 Time: 7pm – 10 pm Cost: \$255 + applicable taxes Best to Register by: Tues, Feb 5, 2013

To Register:

Register online at <u>http://cstudies.royalroads.ca/</u>using a major credit card; or by telephone, Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. at **250-391-2600**, ext. **4801**; or **Toll Free at 1-866-890-0220**. Or, come by in person to the Continuing Studies office at **Grant 117**, **2005 Sooke Road**, Victoria, BC, Canada V9B 5Y2.