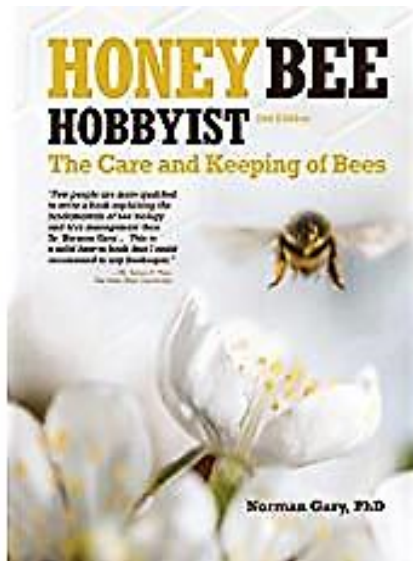


## About the Course

*First Lessons in Beekeeping* is an introductory course for those interested in honey bees and the art of beekeeping. The sessions, taught by local experienced beekeepers, include the necessary and practical information to establish and maintain a bee colony for personal pleasure and profit. Each detailed session provides the participant with general beekeeping knowledge as well as basic beekeeping techniques.

*NOTE: Certification in the state program is encouraged but not required to keep bees in the state of SC. If you would like to become certified, you must be a member in good standing of the state association and take a written and practical exam.*

**Textbook:** *Honey Bee Hobbyist* by Dr. Norman Gary, Edition 2, © 2019



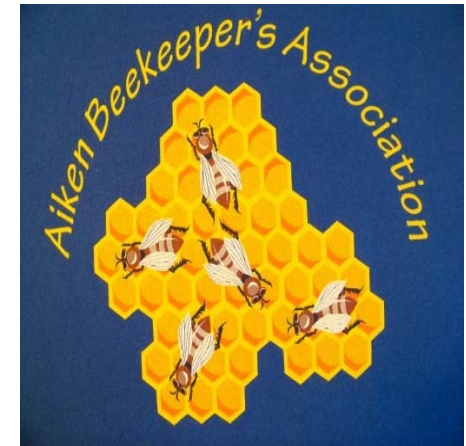
## Course Content

The *First Lessons in Beekeeping* course includes the following topics:

- ❖ **Introduction to the Honey Bee**
- ❖ **The Honey Bee Family**
- ❖ **Bee Anatomy and Physiology**
- ❖ **Basic Equipment**
- ❖ **Selecting the Apiary Site**
- ❖ **Starting a Bee Hive**
- ❖ **Working with Honey Bees**
- ❖ **Diseases and Pests**
- ❖ **Seasonal Management**
- ❖ **Products of the Hive**
- ❖ **Honey Packaging and Labeling**

**Note:** *Content topics are subject to change and may not be presented in the order listed.*

The ABA Beekeeping Beginner Course Registration Form provides for course enrollment with fee payment and includes the current year membership in the ABA. If you wish to take the course exam, SCBA membership is required. At the end of the course, a one day “field day“ will be available where all the new beekeepers can open, inspect and evaluate hives with an instructor (weather permitting).



The **course dates** for 2021 are two Saturdays in January, (January 16th and 23<sup>rd</sup>)\*\*

Classes will begin at 9:00 AM and conclude at 2:00 PM.

\*\*Due to COVID rules, space in the course is limited and prior registration/payment is required to ensure a spot.

(Updated 12/14/20)

## Course Registration Form

To register, please complete the following, cut on line, and mail to Course Administrator with appropriate fee.

Name:

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Street, City, State, Zip

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Phone:

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Email:

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Please check: \$50

### Additional family members:

(17 yrs old and over)

Name:

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Phone:

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Email:

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Please check: \$50

(Under 17 yrs old w/Paid Adult)

Name:

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Phone:

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Email:

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Free

Additional textbooks: \$12 each X \_\_\_\_ = \$\_\_\_\_\_

Total registration fee: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to – Aiken Beekeepers Assoc.

Mail to:

Wendy Gray  
720 Mt. Pleasant Rd.  
Monetta, SC 29105

## Course Registration

### Course Fees

\$50 per adult

Under 17 years FREE with each paid adult

\*\* Additional textbooks are \$12 each.

### Registration includes:

- Course enrollment
- Text book\*\* (1)
- ABA membership (current year)

### Course Location

Fermata Club  
841 Whiskey Rd  
Aiken SC 29801

Breaks will be provided, suggest bringing your own lunch.

**To Register, please complete the attached -**

**← Course Registration Form**

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Beekeeping Beginner Course



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