

Apiary

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Checking queen cells in Richard's hive



Hive 10: Apivar, 1 deep, 2 beetle traps, heavy beetle, might have too much honey and not enough bees to cover them. Good brood pattern. Doing a sugar roll. No mites. Put in 4 foundation, took out some honey.



Hive 9, 2 boxes 3/4, Apivar, no honey in bottom, some in super. Should feed. Low pollen. Frames look "dry". Added 1 frame of honey. 1 excluder.

Hive 8, 1 deep, excluder and 1 super 3/4. 2 weeks ago the queen was in the super, tried to move down below. Ask Matt if we can put solid bottom boards. Screened bottom board. Plenty of pollen but not enough nectar. Good brood, we got the queen in the brood box. Added 2 Swiffer sheets.



Hive 7 - double deep, put second box on last time. No new wax, queen laying some in top box, low beetles, mostly Pierco frames, do ether roll. Important to get young bees off a brood frame. Make sure you don't get the queen in the jar. 2 mites. Added Swiffer sheet.



Hive 4 - 1 deep, excluder, 1 super 3/4. Was thought queenless. 1 Apivar. Sealed brood, no open brood. Found queen, still needs to fly and mate. Super is heavy.

Hive 5, super heavy with honey, 3/4, deep brood box, spotted queen, nice brood pattern, frames are dry, not much food, 1 excluder, best queen so far.

Hive 6 - double deep, poor comb in top box. Top box was from a deadout. Beetle traps full of beetles. Frames dry. Good brood pattern. Nectar is limiting source.

Side note - a swarm formed.

Hive 1 - full of pollen. 1 deep, 1 med super. Comb is a mess; might have been a cutout. Hive isn't very strong, so we will let it grow. Super heavy with honey.

David Mendes recommended getting all deeps

Hive 2 - double deep. Dry frames. A few drones. A lot of brood, hasn't come up from bottom box. Some broken frames. Added swiffer sheets.

Hive 3 - deep brood, excluder, med super. Frames dry. Not on honey flow.

Overall, low mites, David Mendes suggested feed. Talked about open feeder.