



Intro to Queen Rearing Workshop

For Experienced Beekeepers

WHEN: Saturday, June 12th, 2010

TIME: All day 8am-5pm

WHERE: Seeds of Change Research Farm
El Guique, NM (San Juan Pueblo)

COST: \$150-includes manual, grafting tool, practice cell cups,
& live queenbee cells to take home

CONTACT: Mark or Melanie of ZQB

A one-day hands-on workshop that overviews introductory issues pertaining to rearing One's own queenbees; including:

- * Selection of breeders & establishment of gene pool
- * Establishing and maintaining cell-builders
- * Learning to graft appropriate larvae
- * Selection and placement of drone supports
- * Creation of Mating Nucs
- * Establishment of mating zones/apiaries,
- * Harvesting of mated queens

This is a hands-on course demonstrating each step of the process of rearing queens:
From the art of grafting
To mature harvest.

*About the instructors: **Melanie Kirby** is a professional beekeeper of 13 years. She has been studying queen rearing for the past decade with an emphasis on naturally-hearty survivor stock. **Mark Spitzig** has been keeping bees for ten years- seven as a professional. Collectively, their 23 years of growing experience & continued learning into conscientious chemical-free management nurtures **Zia Queenbee Co.** -est. 2005.*

Open to established beekeepers -Sorry, no "new-bees" as thematic content is technical

-Class limited to 12 bee stewards so as to ensure ample hands-on and individualized attention-

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