Bill’s Honey Farm

INVOICE, STATEMENT & SHIPPING ORDER

AVAILABILITY FOR: 2020    NO: BHF-0000

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No of units available / sold WHEN AND HOW PRODUCT   EACH   TOTAL

1-ARTIFICIAL SWARMS end of May. In to your drawn comb, screen box, bottom, and top.   250.00

1-Late May select Tested over wintered breeder QUEENS in 4 frames in your nuke.  350.00

CELLS, VIRGINS QUEENS, for re-queening and mating your own queens must be ordered by MAY 1ST

Many May 29-June 2nd QUEEN cells in protectors in person only with proper incubator 10.00

Many June 5th – 9th CAGED VIRGINS DAY In person or it can be mailed. 12.00

Many 1st July, June mated Vernon Stock QUEENS  45.00

Early August select Tested MATED IN JUNE QUEENS  75.00

MAILING QUEENS OR VIRGINS in up to 20 In JZBZ box by CP  15.00

CANADA POST Does not guarantee live delivery it is at your responsibility. Postage: $

This sale: TOTAL: $

$100 NONRETURNABLE DEPOSIT: on full hives nukes or swarms, E transfer or Credit card. $For Queens and virgins Payment in full by E transfer. For order day pick up at 12 noon or after.

BALANCE PAYABLE on pick up CASH, CHEQUES or E transfer before pick up    $

Payment by: E-Transfer Information
Name: Bill Ruzicka Email: billruzicka@mitegone.com
Note that Vaclav Bill Ruzicka is set up for e-transfer auto deposit. You should not have to set up a security question and answer. In the MESSAGE field, please state order NUMBER. & PHONE NO.

Bills’ honey farm availability and sales During COVID 19
On pick up day Have your cell phone ready and call when you get to farm gate. Back up and I open the gate. Drive up around tree pick up your product check it and drive home.

PLEASE REED THE PAGE 2. IF YOU COME WITHOUT PROPERLY PREPARED EQUIPMENT THE CONTRACT WILL BE VOID AND YOU LOOS YOUR DEPOSIT,
QUEEN RIGHT 5 FRAMES ARTIFICIAL SWARMS

We sold many swarms in past and are teaching others call me and I pass on your order.

What is a swarm? Simply put; the swarm is a better way to sell bees for the buyer who lost bees and has all drawn comb with stores. And the seller in Okanagan where drawing of comb is difficult. It is a good replacement for nukes and packages in a usual northern beekeeping system. It is a full-size colony which will produce a full or better crop in the summer.

We produce Swarms between May 20th and June 1st, after our hives return well fed and strong from tree fruit pollination. You bring your box ahead of time: For inspection Have your name or ID on box We make sure it is bee tight and contains properly drawn frames and stores, and is bee tight. Then you take it to storage at bee yard. We call you when to pick it up.

We establish full size colony (the swarm) in your equipment. First, we move our hive from its location and put your box in its place. Then we find the queen, and transfer her on your comb and into your box. Then we shake 50% of house bees of the hive into your box. We place our brood over previously selected hives to incubate and emerge. All the hive field bees will return to your box by night. What happens next? We have actually created an artificial swarming and the bee’s survival instincts does the rest. The queen is laying 2000+ eggs a day and in a few days most of the combs will be laid in. Therefore, by the time you get the swarm home you are just about ready to put on a second box.

EQUIPMENT EXCHANGE – PLEASE DO NOT ASK FOR IT. WE DO NOT WANT YOUR AFB.

INSTRUCTION:

For each swarm we will require deep box with 10 drawn self spacing frames including honey, pollen and space for the queen to lay. 20-25 lbs of honey and pollen is required because your swarm will consume 4-5 lbs of honey a day. You want to get them home alive, and with the queen laying, not starving. If you do not have any pollen in the combs bring pollen patty in a pail. Do not press pollen substitute into comb. Choose your best and cleanest equipment. The bottom board should be firmly attached (screwed to the box). Burlap or carpet inner cover, top cover and Wood block nailed by 2 thin nails to bottom board for easy removal. Make sure that it is bee tight. So, our bees cannot rob it.

Do not use 9 frame spacers, or non spacing frames! The frames will swing during transport squashing bees and resulting in queen losses.

SWARM INSPECTION You must be present at 4 pm on day of shipping. We guarantee a minimum of 5 frames of bees per hive with a proven laying queen; you will see it. There will be open brood to prove it in drawn comb. Before you load you examine the hives, count the frames of bees and brood and check for eggs as proof of queen. We will be there and correct any discrepancy you may find.

Tell us now or for ever hold your peace.

Lastly, we settle the bill. That is where our responsibility ends.

You Must screen your units at dusk for transport that night or next morning. You are responsible for screening, netting, arranging and tying down your load.

If you do things right and know how to transport bees you should not have any queen losses. Do not disturb them and do not check them twice each week. Just give them a second well stocked box or some feed and leave them alone, they know what they are doing. Then even up the hives before the main honey flow.

ADVANTAGES

1. You get a much stronger unit (with a proven laying queen reared in June of the previous year; only the best are over wintered and will last 2 years). than what you would from a 2-pound package or Nuke with imported Queen in April.

2. You start your beekeeping season two months later and in a much warmer climate consequently saving yourself two months of labor and feed.

3. There is no exchange of equipment, or extra cost of equipment like package cages or the necessity to purchase unwanted equipment, such as with nukes. (No brood comb = no AFB the bees are dusted with OXITED.)

4. The process is much gentler on the bees and less strenuous since natural swarming occurs at this time of the year. Units are inspected in flying weather and left packed on place where they were to collect all field bees by darkness, then loaded and taken to your home.
REFERENCES: In 1988 we ran a 10 “swarm” test. In 1989 100 swarms went to the Peace River area averaging 7 pounds each and they did great. In 1990 John Gates from the BC Apiculture Program ran tests and found this a very workable system. Call me if you want to see that article.

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In 1998 at age of 68 I decided to reduce the operation and sell the equipment in form of 4-frame nukes.
In 2013 with raising problems with AFB we are back to the method of SWARMS which eliminates AFB transfer.

D. Crumback 250-254-1876 in 2013 - 15 took the first round 39 and various locals took the second round 13.

In 2018 for health reasons I was selling all bees: that is how Full-size colony was created.
From 2019 I do artificial swarms only. But my partners breeders may sell few full-size hives and swarms.
Enquire with me. 250-762-8156