

The Beekeeping School of Etruria at the Naturalistic Museum of Lubriano for the diffusion of an eco-friendly apistic culture



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The Beekeeping School of Etruria is developed within the experience of Beekeeping School of the Naturalistic Museum of Lubriano (VT), named after Prof. CD Michener, Entomologist University of Kansas (USA) who in 60 years of scientific research has studied bees worldwide. Established by the Municipality of Lubriano with D.G.C. n. 105 of 29/10/2012, the School of Apiculture was created to meet the need for training in beekeeping.

From 2011 to 2018 the training activities, with the support of teachers with proven experience (naturalists, agronomists, beekeepers, veterinarians, researchers) led 249 members from 15 different regions of Italy to deepen their knowledge on *Apis mellifera ligustica*: biology, breeding methods, beehive products (honey, propolis, wax, pollen, royal jelly), pollination service, management problems of pathologies and bees parasites. The preparation of the small experimental apiary of the Naturalistic Museum allows to continue the studies on the life cycle of the bees and relations with the ecosystem of the Valle dei Calanchi, an area of high naturalistic value between the Bolsena lake and the Tiber river. The team of ordinary speakers is flanked by Researchers, Veterinarians and Apistic Technicians from the best universities, as guests / speakers for the study of specific topics. The Beekeeping School organized dissemination days for students of all levels, and permanent updating sessions for beekeepers, with cycles of seminars and practical internships.

Since 2016, a series of single and associated subjects have joined the School of Apiculture of Etruria, which is proposed as a reference point for bee-keeping training for all, and for beekeeping teaching in schools of all levels: Lubriano Municipality and Municipality of Celleno (VT); Municipality of Porano (TR); CRM - Honey Research Center Dept. of Biology University of Tor Vergata of Rome; IRET-CNR - Research Institute on Terrestrial Ecosystems of Porano (TR); DIBAF - Dept. of Organic, Agri-Food and Forestry Systems University of Tuscia of Viterbo; ITAS - Agricultural institute "F.lli Agosti" of BAGNOREGIO (VT). The operational offices of the School of Apiculture of Etruria are currently at Naturalistic Museum of Lubriano, and at Ecomuseum of Landscape of Etruscans in Porano.

Highly formative and prestigious were the interventions of the Naturalistic Museum of Lubriano - "Michener" School of Beekeeping, at the 1st ApiEcoFlora International Symposium at the Republic of S. Marino (4-6 October 2012) and at the 2nd ApiEcoflora International Symposium at the University of Tor Vergata of Rome (6-7 November 2014), promoted by ApiMondia, FAO and some trade associations.

The Beekeeping School of Etruria organized two important events, at Palazzo Monaldeschi in Lubriano to raise awareness among people, beekeepers and students on the importance of protecting bees and all pollinating insects:

- ^ SAVE THE BEES, MAY 6-7, 2016 - LUBRIANO
conference, photographic exhibition, honey tasting, excursions with RE.SI.NA. Network of Naturalistic Museums of Lazio
- ^ TOWARDS THE WORLD DAY OF BEES, MAY 12, 2018 - LUBRIANO
with the Embassy of the Republic of Slovenia in Rome.

Currently, the Beekeeping School of Etruria organizes and proposes: courses of organic beekeeping, courses for the breeding of queen bees, introductory courses to the sensory analysis of honey, educational workshops for schools talking about bees and honey, events of popular type to spread a sustainable apistic culture.

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SABATO 12 MAGGIO ORE 10.00
LUBRIANO (VT) - PALAZZO MONALDESCHI DELLA CERVARA
PIAZZA SAN GIOVANNI BATTISTA

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