

ACBO Special Meeting

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Services we offer!!

- Assist member organization with applying for grant funding.
- ACBO offers advocacy and representation at local, regional, and international levels.
- Training and apiary support – Queen Rearing, Value added products development.
- Basic honey testing, species identification and viral load analysis.
- Holds the biannual Caribbean Beekeepers Congress.

ACBO activities 2020 - 2022!!

- ACBO partnered with IAC and GEF SGP to complete the following:
Hosted viral load discussion meeting in conjunction with GEF SGP UNDP, Technical support and contributions to the South / South Apiculture project, Queen rearing mission to TT. President led missions to Antigua and Barbuda, Anguilla, St. Kitts & Nevis and Trinidad & Tobago
- World bee day tree planting exercise with over 2500 trees planted across the Caribbean.



ACBO activities 2020 - 2022!!

- VP and Past President represented the region at APIMONDIA held in Canada.
- Launch of the ACBO newsletter.
- Redesigning of ACBO website
- Technical support and training for Hewanorra National Honey Show in Saint Lucia.





ACBO membership update.



Due to the absence of physical meetings caused by CV19, member participation and dues were not forthcoming. We welcome the application from new members and wish to encourage existing members to bring their dues up to date.

These membership fees are necessary to maintain the acboonline.com website and cover associated costs of webinars and other outreach activities. Currently three countries have been keeping the organization afloat Guyana, Tobago and Saint Lucia.

At the next AGM Membership dues increase from USD20.00 to USD 50.00 in 2023.



2022 – 2024 Activities

- Commensurate with increase in dues. Executive will ensure: (i) there is a once per ¼ training seminar, free of charge to the general membership. (ii) ACBO newsletter is published Quarterly.
- Introduction of Mid Term Special meeting, prior to congress.
- Start preparations for 12th CBC, so far two countries have shown interest in hosting the event Barbados and Trinidad & Tobago.
- ACBO will be working closely with GEF SGP UNDP (TT) to roll out an apiculture project with the Police Youth Clubs.
- Assisting in coordination of viral load testing in participating member countries.
- Queen rearing mission to Guyana.