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To me the bee season is divided in two phases. The first season is winter to the summer solstice and then days begin to shorten. The first phase is a period of growth for a hive of bees. Hives produce drones. The queen lays eggs – sometimes 2000 a day and brood production is responsible for rapid population increases.

The second season (phase) is now upon us. It looks like there's plenty more hot weather to come but get out your calendar. How far are we from December? July is gone! How soon will leaves be falling from trees. Autumn is coming and the bees are getting ready for it.

I am switching from a weekly format to two issues a month. One will be out early in each month and one will be out sometime during the middle of each month. I have been spending hot days working on past issues back to 2019. I have averaged 40+ issues over the last 6 1/2 years and have found the need to go back and up date material for the new readers. I have been asked if these are available on a zip drive. As of now I am working on having a zip drive available if anyone would be interested in buying one. I haven't any idea if anyone would be interested in purchasing the collection, but I need to check on the prices for zip drives and postage to send them. I also have a large collection of power point presentations that could be added to the zip drives.

If you would be interested in the material I could put together, I would appreciate some feedback from you. The number I could do will be quite limited.

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