



Monthly NEWS

To: The Australian Honey Industry

From: Trevor Weatherhead – Executive Director

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AHBIC acknowledges the **beekeeper suppliers** who contribute via their packer/queen bee supplier to AHBIC.

We urge beekeepers to support those Packers/Queen Bee Breeders who contribute to AHBIC.

**Does your HONEY BUYER or QUEEN BEE SUPPLIER appear on this list?
If not, then ask “Why not?” AHBIC WORKS FOR YOU!**

The following list recognises contributions received since 1 July 2016

There are a few other contributors – some wishing to remain anonymous and some not indicating their wishes

AB's Honey
Abbott, Brian & Robin Proudford
Anderson, Cedar
Australian Organic Honey Company
Ayrleigh Apiaries
Badger Head Bees
Bayside Beekeepers Association
Beechworth Honey
Bees Neez Apiaries
Bejo Tasmania P/L
Blair, Shona
Bluebees Producers
Blue Hills Honey
Bliss, Stephen
Bourke, Lindsay
Brenton, Daryl
Bush Honey - (Midgley Family)
Capilano Honey Ltd
Clifford, David
Clifford, Ray
Cooper, Barry
Cooper, Casey
Cotton, Allan & Michelle
Covey Bees
Davey, Robin

Dewar, Robert
Dyer, Craig
Enslin, Darren
Faithfull, Mark
Flow Hive
Gells Honey Maryborough
Glasby, Garry
Gold Coast Amateur Beekeepers
Society
Gold Coast Regional Beekeepers Inc.
Green, Lionel
Gustare Honey Australia
Heritage Honey
Honeylife Australia
Honeyworks Pty Ltd
Hooper, Ben
Hoskinson, HL & HM
Ipswich/West Moreton
Beekeepers Assoc
Jones, Daniel
Kennett, JL & KA
Klingner, Craig
Le Feuvre, Danny
Masters, Neil & Sharon
MacGibbon, Kevin

Morgan, Trevor
Naicol Pty Ltd
Nairn, Mal
Northside Beekeepers Association Inc.
NT Bees (Aust)
Panda Honey – honey buyers
Pure Bendigo Gold Honey
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Saxonbee Enterprises
RL Dewar- Bee Build
Rohrlach, T & A
Rotary Club of Caulfield
Ruge Honey
Shaw, Robert
Squire, Gary
Stokes, Peter
Superbee Honey Factory
Watson, James
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AHBIC AGM

The AHBIC AGM is being held on Saturday 8 July, 2017 in Adelaide. Registrations for observers has closed due to the conditions put on by the venue.

At the AGM there will be elections for a Deputy Chairperson and two (2) Executive members.

M418 CERTIFICATE, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS A 'DECLARATION OF IMPORTED GOODS'

There are changed conditions for exporters applying for an M418 Certificate, otherwise known as a 'Declaration of Imported Goods'. The notice can be found at the following web address

<http://agriculture.gov.au/export/controlled-goods/non-prescribed-goods/industry-notices/2017/npg160617>

AGM

Annual conferences for 2017, in chronological order, as I currently have them are:-

South Australian Apiarists Association	6 & 7 July- Adelaide
Australian Honey Bee Industry Council	8 July - Adelaide
National Council of Crop Pollination Associations	TBA
Australian Queen Bee Breeders Association	TBA

NEW CHEMICAL REGISTRATIONS

Application no.: 108520
Product name: Agsure Chlorpyrifos 500 Insecticide
Active constituent/s: 500 g/L chlorpyrifos (an anti-cholinesterase compound)
Applicant name: Elders Rural Services Australia Limited
Applicant ACN: 004 045 121
Summary of use: For the control of certain insect pests in fruit, vegetables, field crops, pastures, other situations and for the post-construction management of subterranean termites
Date of registration: 26 May 2017
Product registration no.: 83508
Label approval no.: 83508/108520

Application no.: 108967
Product name: Raystar Imidacloprid 350 SC Insecticide
Active constituent/s: 350 g/L imidacloprid
Applicant name: Raystar Crop Protection Pty Ltd
Applicant ACN: 610 946 784
Summary of use: For the control of greyback, childers canegrub in sugarcane and silverleaf whitefly in various vegetable crops in a soil applied treatment
Date of registration: 1 June 2017
Product registration no.: 83783
Label approval no.: 83783/108967

Application no.: 105729
Product name: ACP Commissioner 150 EC Insecticide
Active constituent/s: 150 g/L indoxacarb
Applicant name: TGAC Australia Pty. Ltd
Applicant ACN: 134 570 700
Summary of use: For the control of various species of insect pests in azuki beans, chickpeas, faba beans, mungbeans and soybeans
Date of registration: 1 June 2017
Product registration no.: 82435
Label approval no.: 82435/105729

Application no.:	108807
Product name:	Dupont Avatar Insecticide
Active constituent/s:	300 g/kg indoxacarb
Applicant name:	Du Pont (Australia) Pty Ltd
Applicant ACN:	000 716 469
Summary of variation:	To approve a new label for the product 'DUPONT AVATAR INSECTICIDE' with the label name 'DUPONT AVATAR EVO INSECTICIDE'
Date of variation:	29 May 2017
Product registration no.:	52546
Label approval no.:	52546/108807

New Biosecurity Officer protects NSW bee industry

24 May 2017

NSW DPI Bee Biosecurity Officer, Rod Bourke

The NSW bee industry will be further protected to minimise the impact of pests and diseases with the appointment of a new Bee Biosecurity Officer based at the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) Tocal College at Paterson.

DPI's Manager of Plant Biosecurity Prevention and Preparedness, Dr Chris Anderson said the new appointment of Rod Bourke as Bee Biosecurity Officer will strengthen the protection of the state's beekeeping industry to ensure its future sustainability and viability.

"The main responsibility of the Bee Biosecurity Officer is to improve awareness of the National Bee Biosecurity Code of Practice (The Code) and the new Biosecurity Act in NSW to all beekeepers across the state and to encourage best-practice biosecurity," Dr Anderson said.

"Mr Bourke will work with apiarists to increase awareness of the Code and to raise the management standards for beekeepers.

"The Code has been developed by the Australian Honey Bee Industry Council through years of consultation with all state beekeeping bodies and is designed to be the minimum standard for beekeepers to achieve good pest and disease prevention and control.

"The Code allows each state to impose additional standards or exemptions and in NSW our aim is to strengthen the detection and control of the serious endemic disease, American Foulbrood Disease (AFB).

"DPI conducts regular biosecurity compliance operations to identify and eradicate any neglected and abandoned hives as they are a major threat to the health of managed beehives and can be responsible for the spread of AFB."

Beekeepers are reminded they must notify, within 24 hours, the presence or suspected presence of AFB disease to the emergency animal disease watch hotline on 1800 675 888.

Dr Anderson said that Mr Bourke will also interact extensively with biosecurity, research, education and enforcement personnel in NSW, also Bee Biosecurity Officers in other states and Plant Health Australia.

"Mr Bourke comes from a commercial beekeeping family and has been interacting with bees in one way or another all of his life. He currently maintains 20 beehives with his wife and family," Dr Anderson said.



“He has worked for the past twenty years in Queensland or the Pacific Islands. He has undertaken a number of different roles that have given him the skills and expertise for his new role.”

The Bee Biosecurity Officer position is funded by a compulsory levy in place for honey sales by commercial beekeepers, so this position is predominantly working with commercial beekeepers, but will also play a role within the ever growing amateur beekeeping community, which has in excess of 1500 members

REVIEW AND UPDATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND WATER RESOURCES CHARGING GUIDELINES

Two new Industry Advice Notices (IANs) have been published on the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources website.

- 1. Review and update of the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources Charging Guidelines**
- 2. Non-prescribed goods Export Cost Recovery Charging Arrangement – Cessation of Remissions from 1 July 2017**

The notices can be found at the following web address

<http://www.agriculture.gov.au/export/controlled-goods/non-prescribed-goods/industry-notices/2017>

NEW ZEALAND FUNDS FIGHT AGAINST MYRTLE RUST

New Zealand is funding work in the fight against myrtle rust. With myrtle rust affecting the Myrtaceae family manuka is one that has the potential to be affected along with some other honey producing plants.

See <http://www.scoop.co.nz/stories/SC1706/S00041/new-funding-takes-the-fight-to-myrtle-rust.htm>

NATIONAL PLANT BIOSECURITY STATUS REPORT

The National Plant Biosecurity Status Report has just been published. See

<http://www.planthealthaustralia.com.au/national-programs/national-plant-biosecurity-status-report/>

Note the honey bee on the cover.

SUSPECT SAMPLE IN SOUTHERN NEW SOUTH WALES

Some bees with K wing symptoms were found in southern New South Wales. Samples were taken and submitted for examination as K wing symptoms can be a sign of tracheal mites (*Acarapis woodi*).

Examination showed no tracheal mites present and no viruses. There was Nosema present but this is not surprising for this time of the year.

Thank you to the New South Wales Department of Primary Industries for their quick and decisive actions.

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