

Monthly NEWS



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is the **Peak Industry Body for the Australian Beekeeping Industry**
working for all within our industry including
honey producers, honey packers, pollinators, queen bee breeders, equipment manufacturers/suppliers.

We urge beekeepers to support those
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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN.

The last few weeks have been very eventful. Not only have we entered one of the busiest times of year for beekeeping, but the industry has been under intense media scrutiny concerning allegations of adulterated imported honey. However, this media attention has now become even more heightened with Australian Honey implicated as well.

This has created a great deal of uncertainty within the industry and any potential impact this may have on sales and prices. This has only added to the hardship of the drought already affecting both beekeepers and other industry players and the prospects of a very poor honey season this coming year.

This coming week there may be more uncertainty that may affect us all. I implore all of you, look out for each other, support each other and don't be afraid to ask a colleague how they are travelling. Remember, we are all in this situation together.

We are both an industry and a community all bound together in our shared passion for what our little creature, the honey bee, can do and the magnificent product it creates. In times like this, we need to focus on the positive aspects of the Australian honey bee industry and what we provide for Australia.

At AHBIC we adopted the phrase "A small industry with a BIG impact" in our strategic plan because in one statement it exemplifies who and what we are. We are a small group, more like a family really, but our impact to Australia's food security is huge. At times, we have differences of opinion, but in the end, we need to look after each other like a family. No one understands the highs and lows of beekeeping better than another beekeeper. Fluctuating prices, adverse weather events, the smell of honey as you drive in to a yard of bees, the widely diverse parts of the country we get to see.

But we can't forget our industry is more than just beekeepers. We could not survive without our consumers, honey packers, equipment and service suppliers, along with a team of dedicated governmental staff who support us. They are all as much a part of our industry as the beekeepers themselves. Poor media attention on the Honeybee industry affects us all.

Lastly, I offer you some of the positive things to focus on for our industry. If we all promote the best aspects of our industry we will go a long way to improving our whole beekeeping community and protecting our way of life.

Australia produces the best honey in the world, bar none. Examples are:

- * We have the highest antibacterial activity Manuka available anywhere in the world.
- * Even higher anti-bacterial qualities can be found in Jarrah honey varieties from Western Australia.
- * Australian honeys such as Yellow Box possess unique low GI properties.
- * Our high anti-oxidant and pre-biotic honeys improve people's gut health and overall well-being.
- * Australia has spectacular varieties of honey that cover the full range of colours and flavours.
- * No chemical residues from the treatment of Varroa are present in any Australian honey or beeswax.
- * We boast the healthiest bee populations in the world with the least diseases or parasites to endure, the least use of chemicals and cleanest environment in which bees are lucky to forage.

FAIRFAX ARTICLE AND 7.30 REPORT

The research paper from Macquarie University came out on Tuesday 2 October. The Fairfax newspapers ran a report on this study on Wednesday 3 October. Unfortunately we could not access a copy of the paper till late on Tuesday 2 October despite, it would seem, the journalist having received a copy prior to this. It also ran on the 7.30 report on Wednesday 3 October.

So what does the study say? It is saying that 18% of Australian honey is adulterated. Unfortunately it does not identify where the honey came from so there is no chance for anyone to be able to do trace back to see if they can identify a problem.

However Capilano have been in contact with Professor Mark Taylor, one of the authors, and on their website Capilano have the following quote from Professor Taylor “Our study was an aggregation of results from testing honey from a variety of commercial sources and is not indicative of the purity levels of any specific brand of honey. The results of Capilano’s own testing are not inconsistent with our study.”

Also in some of the results for the C4 sugar there are a few questions to raise. There were two (2) samples from Tasmania that are claimed to be adulterated. We know that under the Codex Alimentarius that leatherwood is one of the honeys that can have a higher natural sugar content and this is allowed for under the Codex. So the results for the Tasmanian honey, if leatherwood, would indicate that it is within the Codex for C4 sugar so therefore is possibly not adulterated.

Similar with the other Australian produced honeys listed in Codex that can also have a higher C4 sugar level, river red gum, lucerne, citrus & Menzies banksia. If these are the varieties in the samples then they are possibly not adulterated.

There are three (3) results for C4 sugar showing negative results. Asking around I cannot get a rational explanation as to how you can get a negative result for something that is supposed to be there.

Also disappointed at some of the inaccuracies in the Fairfax report. They say that one of the authors “decided to test Australian honey after a honey company was fined in Australia in 2016 for selling fake honey”. Now if this is referring to the Victoria honey and the ACCC fining Basfoods, that was in 2014. Also it was not a honey company but an importer. It was not Australian honey but Turkish which was shown as such on the label. Sure it was not honey but it was not Australian.

The article also says that our Chair, Peter McDonald, was briefed by one of the authors on the results of the study. This is not correct. Peter was given the failure rates and nothing else. One of the authors emailed on a copy of the paper to Peter at 8.41pm on Tuesday 2 October and as Peter was out shifting bees onto apple pollination he did not get home to see the paper till around 10.30 that night.

By not revealing the sources of the honey it means that all Australian honey is now being tarred with the same brush. As stated above it also means there is no way to trace back to see if a problem can be identified.

It is not clear from the paper if what is claimed to be honey from a State was actually produced in that State or packed in that State. Could be significant as we know that there are other Australian honeys under the Codex, as listed above, that have higher natural sugars and are listed in the Codex.

It seems that we now have to get some interpretation of the results to see if some that are claimed as adulterated are actually covered for a higher natural sugar content under the Codex Alimentarius.

IAN ROBERT STEPHENS – 16.5.1930 – 28.8.2018

There was a Memorial Service held for Ian at the Mole Creek Memorial Hall on Sunday 23 September, 2018. I was privileged to be able to attend. The hall was full.

Below is a tribute to Ian which appeared in the Tasmanian Beekeepers Association September newsletter. My thanks to Liz Douglas, the Editor, for allowing me to use her tribute.

A couple of extra details about Ian are that he and Shirley were awarded the AHBIC Award of Excellence in 2006. Ian was also a life member of the Tasmanian Beekeepers Association and the Mole Creek Progress Association and a member of the Honey Packers and Marketers Association of Australia.

When Robert Stephens returned from serving overseas in World War I he purchased two acres of land in Mole Creek and began a beekeeping business. Robert was married in 1929 and the following year, 1930 his son Ian Robert Stephens was born at Nurse Munnings Private Hospital, 'Montrose', in Launceston. The now famous 'Golden Bee' honey label also came into existence in 1930.



Growing up Ian had a love of and an affinity with nature. He was involved with the Young Farmers and often won awards, especially for his fat lambs, his Australorp poultry, his Cocker Spaniel, his cabbages and his flowers. Ian's talents were not confined to animals and in 1950 he won an award for his photography.

Growing up in such close proximity to the bees, Ian was of course involved with them. In fact he said that he began with the bees at such a young age he simply had no memory of the first time he handled them.

By the age of 20 Ian was well established in the beekeeping industry and he attended the 5th conference of the TBA held in the Ulverstone Parish Hall in July 1950. From this day forward Ian made sure he attended each conference and being in a wheelchair did not prevent him from attending in 2018.

From 1951 onwards Robert Stephens began to concentrate on leatherwood honey, taking his hives to the West Coast, involving lots of heavy and hard work in manually loading and unloading hives. Ian was no stranger to hard work and loading in this way was the way he preferred things to be done. He was most definitely not a fan of hives on pallets and mechanical loading. Putting 4 hives onto each pallet and only 48 hives on a 50 hive site was not the way to work as far as Ian was concerned. He made up his own small pallets to hold 2 hives only, so that the sites were utilized to capacity as they always had been.

In October 1966 Ian took over the business. In December 1968 he commenced an expansion of both buildings and machinery. Further expansions were carried out in 1973-74 and also in 1980. Despite being busy with the expansions and keeping the hives healthy Ian still made time for wider beekeeping matters. He began sitting on the TBA Executive Committee in 1968 and served in this capacity for around 40 years. Ian was also involved in many sub-committees and committees associated with the TBA. He was an active member of the FCAAA for many years. In more recent years he was involved with the Disease Management Committee and he attended his last meeting for them in July this year – ill health and wheelchair aside, Ian was still intent on being involved and doing his part.

Lindsay Bourke said Ian was a wonderful worker for the beekeeping industry and he remembers when he was first Chairman of AHBIC several years ago there was a space on their executive. Plenty of people had ideas on what should be done, however as usual nobody wanted to volunteer to actually do the work. Someone in the room nominated Ian whose reply was 'if you think I can do it, then I will'. Ian was at this time 80 years of age - and of course he did do it and did it well.

Ian was not only involved with beekeeping matters. He was also very active in his home town of Mole Creek. If anything needed doing in the public arena then Ian was involved - from the local school to the Mole Creek Progress Association. Ian was also a Life Member of Probus.

Ian worked very hard at both the beekeeping and the marketing and the business flourished under his leadership, enabling a third generation to work with the bees. In 2009 the business was running 2400 hives and producing 300 tonnes of honey a year, all sold in advance: a wonderful tribute to Ian's efforts.

In June 2011 the honey factory, apiary and the family residence were provisionally accepted into the Tasmanian Heritage Register. Ian was particularly proud of this. He said "This means a lot to our family. It means the work the whole family has done is recorded, and that really is quite an honour. I wanted this place in the Register in fact, to protect it for future generations and to highlight the tremendous history we have here."

Ian's pride in this achievement can be seen at : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pBAYs76JRac>

In 2016 there was further expansion with the opening of a large storage shed big enough to house the trucks as well as other equipment. Ian and Shirley Stephens hosted a large and very successful Field Day to celebrate the opening of the shed.

Under Ian's tutelage the third generation have kept up the family tradition of queen bee breeding and hive recording begun by Robert Stephens. Lindsay Bourke says he has never heard of any other business of this size or larger that uses a card recording system for each and every hive : traceability over and above what anyone else does anywhere in the world. Not only is this a marvellous achievement, it is also a tremendous amount of work. Ian's style of beekeeping is one most beekeepers would wish to emulate.

In 2000 author and photographer Steve Holland published a book titled 'Australians'. This book featured a section on 'Ian Stephens, beekeeper, Mole Creek, Tasmania'. Some small recognition of Ian's contribution to, and love of, beekeeping.

Ian liked to keep up to date with what was happening in the industry and with anything that would affect future beekeeping. I recently had a discussion with him where he moved onto talking about the environment and how he felt it was affecting beekeeping. Ian said that beekeeping and honey production were not what they were in his early days. He said honey quality and production had decreased quite a lot since he first started working with the bees and he felt that this could be put down to damaging changes to the environment, chemical use and climate change. He hoped that people would wake up to this and make changes before it was too late. Ian said 'we need a lot more hives today to make the



same amount of honey we made from fewer hives years ago.'

Ian not only worked with his bees, but he cared for them as well. He preferred not to engage in pollination for profit as he felt it was far too hard on the bees themselves. This was also why he watched changes to the environment. He wanted his bees to have a good, healthy life.

Ian was very proud to see the esteem his business is held in worldwide. Not only does it feature in 'Wikipedia', but it is mentioned in quite a few blogs on honey by people in all areas of the world. As a small token of the esteem he was held in, Ian was made a life member of the Tasmanian Beekeepers'

Association.

Ian Stephens, Master Beekeeper and a true gentleman; a great loss to the beekeeping industry both in Tasmania and nationwide.

ILO TRAINING

AHBIC arranged for the Industry Liaison Officer (ILO) training of beekeepers from the various States. Their photo is on the front page. It has been many years since there were beekeepers trained in the ILO role and many of those previously trained are no longer in the industry.

The training was conducted by the Victorian Department and AHBIC thanks them for this training.

It is most likely that there will need to be more training in the future. If you get a chance, talk with one of the participants to find out what they learnt.

FREE TRADE AGREEMENT WITH INDONESIA

I have been in contact with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and they advised me that under the soon to be signed Free Trade Agreement with Indonesia the tariff on honey will drop to zero by 2033.

Currently under the ASEAN agreement the tariff will drop from 5% to 4% at the end of this year and then it decreases in 0.25% increments every year from then on.

VEGAN HONEY

Disappointingly the ACCC have advised they are taking no further action on our complaint about the Vegan Honey.

To quote from their letter "*It is not possible for us to investigate every matter raised with us, and when we act on a matter it is with a view to maximise our impact and influence industry compliance.*" It was only a couple of years back that when the ACCC Chair was asked at Senate Estimates if he had enough staff to carry out his work he said yes. Looks like that is not now the case when they say they cannot investigate every matter raised with them.

We still have the complaint in with the NSW Food Council but I have heard nothing from them to date.

EXERCISE BEE PREPARED

All States and Territories have now completed their exercises. Thank you to those beekeepers who have participated in the exercises.

The Commonwealth Exercise is still to come and then there will be a national review.

There have been several areas identified where there needs to be work carried out or updates made. These will come out at the national review.

AGM DATES

Annual conferences for 2019, in chronological order, as I currently have them are:-

New South Wales Apiarists Association	16 & 17 May -
Queensland Beekeepers Association	30 May - 1 June – Bribie Island
Victorian Apiarists Association	4,5 & 6 June -
South Australian Apiarists Association	13-14 June -
WA Farmers Federation - Beekeeping Section	TBA
Tasmanian Beekeepers Association	28 June - Launceston
Honey Packers and Marketers Association	TBA
National Council of Crop Pollination Associations	TBA
Australian Queen Bee Breeders Association	TBA
Australian Honey Bee Industry Council	29 June - Launceston

Due to AHBIC having to have their changes to the Constitution lodged with the Western Australia Department of Commerce by 30 June, 2019 the Tasmanian Beekeepers Association conference and AHBIC AGM have been brought forward a week from the original dates.

NEW CHEMICAL REGISTRATIONS

Application no.: 111236
Product name: Sivanto Prime 200 SL Insecticide
Active constituent/s: 200 g/L flupyradifurone
Applicant name: Bayer Cropscience Pty Ltd
Applicant ACN: 000 226 022
Summary of use: For the control of macadamia lace bug, banana spotting bug, fruit spotting bug and suppression of scirtothrips in macadamias
Date of registration: 20 August 2018
Product registration no.: 84727
Label approval no.: 84727/111236

Application no.: 116231
Product name: Arysta LifeScience Lambda-Cyhalothrin 250 Insecticide
Active constituent/s: 250 g/L lambda-cyhalothrin
Applicant name: Arysta Lifescience Australia Pty Ltd
Applicant ACN: 005 225 507
Summary of use: For the control of certain insect pests in cotton, barley, wheat and various field crops
Date of registration: 24 August 2018
Product registration no.: 86630
Label approval no.: 86630/116231

Application no.: 112809
Product name: Imtrade Ellias 300 EC Insecticide
Active constituent/s: 300g/L alpha-cypermethrin
Applicant name: Imtrade Australia Pty Ltd
Applicant ACN: 090 151 134
Summary of use: For control of a range of insect pests of cereals, cotton, grain legumes, oilseeds, pastures, pome and stone fruits, trees and ornamentals, tobacco and vegetables
Date of registration: 28 August 2018
Product registration no.: 85276
Label approval no.: 85276/112809

Application no.: 109980
Product name: Altacor Hort Insecticide
Active constituent/s: 350 g/kg chlorantraniliprole
Applicant name: FMC Australasia Pty Ltd
Applicant ACN: 095 326 891
Summary of variation: To extend use to carob moth (*Ectomyelois ceratoniae*) control in almonds
Date of variation: 31 August 2018
Product registration no.: 69957
Label approval no.: 69957/109980

Application no.: 116563
Product name: Callington 1-Shot Insecticide
Active constituent/s: 20 g/kg d-phenothrin 20:80, 20g/kg permethrin 25:75
Applicant name: Callington Haven Pty Ltd
Applicant ACN: 000 632 404
Summary of variation: To approve a new label for the registered product 'CALLINGTON 1-SHOT INSECTICIDE' with the label name 'MAXICIDE AUTOMOTIVE INSECTICIDE '
Date of variation: 31 August 2018
Product registration no.: 50745
Label approval no.: 50745/116563

EXPANSION OF THE KNOWN INFESTED AREA OF THE ASIAN BEE

I have been advised by the Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (QDAF) that Asian bees have been identified in the Dimbulah area from a swarm in September 2018. This is an extension of the Known Infested Area (KIA). See https://www.daf.qld.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0006/377601/asian-honey-bee-known-infested-area-20180921.pdf for a map.

This is within expectations of the spread of the Asian bee in that area.

AGRIFUTURES AUSTRALIA REVIEW

I received the following note from Dr. Alex Ball who is conducting the AgriFutures Australia review.

“Thanks to all the people that have made contact and have forwarded the following link to the short survey to industry members. The short survey that contains questions that will help the consultants to provide clearer quantified information in the review. If this could be forwarded to your members or industry participants that would be greatly appreciated.

The link is as follows.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AGRIF2018REV>

WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIPS NOW AVAILABLE: WOMEN IN HORTICULTURE

Funding grants of up to \$10,941 are currently available to women who work in the horticulture sector to support their participation in a leadership development program.

The grants have been allocated as part of a joint funding arrangement between Women & Leadership Australia and Hort Innovation, and provide access to one of three part-time practical courses. Participants will network with women peers and learn a range of skills such as heightened presence and influence, managing team dynamics, driving performance and leading innovation and change.

The grants have been allocated as part of a joint funding arrangement between Women & Leadership Australia and Hort Innovation. This year's funding pool of \$135,386 is part of a five year development project, and demonstrates the commitment of both parties in bringing about gender equity within Australia's horticulture industry.

In the first 18 months of the project, 14 women have graduated or are still participating in the courses that are available.

Expressions of Interest

Find out more and register your interest by completing the Expression of Interest form here prior to 7th December: www.wla.edu.au/horticulture

2019 SCIENCE AND INNOVATION AWARDS

for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

The applications are now open for one of these awards.

Go to <https://www.grants.gov.au/?event=public.GO.show&GOUUID=8284B931-F725-DC07-E00EF14C59335DE6> for further details.

24/7 CRISIS SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE FROM THE FOLLOWING ORGANISATIONS:

The following information was received from Crop Consultants Australia and they asked if we wished to use it to pass on to our members. As drought is becoming a reality for beekeepers if you need help please contact one of these associations.

[Lifeline](#) - 13 11 14

[Beyond Blue](#) - 1300 22 46 36

[MensLine Australia](#) - 1300 78 99 78

[Suicide Call Back Service](#) - 1300 659 467

The following services may also be of relevance:

www.ifarmwell.com.au is a free, online tool kit to help those in the Australian agricultural industry cope effectively with life's challenges and get the most out of every day. It has been developed by Australian farmers in collaboration with a range of organisations from across the agricultural, health, mental health, university and financial sectors.

[Are You Bugged Mate?](#) aims to boost awareness and start a conversation with the broader community about the rising issue of depression and suicide rates among men in rural areas.

[Beyond Blue](#) run a **NewAccess** program which they deliver remotely – a free counsellor for six sessions to make key changes to your daily life. A special youth program **Youth Beyond Blue** is also available.

[Rural Outreach Counselling Inc](#) provides two levels of out reach: the professional face-to-face and the "MateKeeper" program, which seeks to have key people within communities to be confident first-responders.

[Mate Helping Mate](#) is a self help program to address mental health and wellbeing in rural communities.

[Black Dog Institute](#) provide mental health information, resources and assessment tools on their website.

[Tie Up The Black Dog](#) aim to bring bring better awareness of mental health issues into rural and regional communities. A downloadable Glovebox Guide to Mental Health is available [here](#).

[The Centre for Rural & Remote Mental Health](#) provides leadership in rural and remote mental health research, working closely with rural communities and partners to provide evidence-based service design, delivery and education in NSW.

[Rural & Remote Mental Health](#) deliver mental health programs and services to people living and working in rural and remote Australia. Their Rural Minds program is a culturally tailored program designed to raise awareness and confidence, grow understanding and ensure the information is embedded at a local level into agricultural and farming communities.

[CORES](#)[™] (COmmunity Response to Eliminating Suicide) is a community-based program that educates members of a local community on how to intervene when they encounter a person they believe may be suicidal.

[SANE Australia](#) have a website full of mental health information, forums providing online support and connection for people affected by mental illness and easy-to-read, practical guides that have been reviewed by clinicians and members of the community. **Helpline: 1800 187 263**

[headspace](#) is dedicated to the mental wellbeing of young people (aged between 12-25).

[Heads Up](#) provides a wealth of information about creating mentally healthy workplaces.

[The National Centre for Farmer Health](#) provides national leadership to improve the health, wellbeing and safety of farm men and women, farm workers, their families and communities across Australia.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2018-2019 GRATEFULLY RECEIVED

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It is gratefully appreciated