

Minutes Valley Bees Meeting 25/5/2024 Time 11.10am

Attendees: Rolly, Maree, Mark, Greg E, Vic, Dave, Lyn & Derek, Andy, Tuyet, Marj & Reg, Eliza,

Apologies: Julie, Chris, Pauline,

Previous Minutes: Read Moved by Rolly, 2nd by Dave

Business Arising out of Minutes: none

General Business: Ventral Valley Bees Web page name needs to be paid in August ok to Pay when due. Also Need to order stickers for our Open Day Posters we put up around Town to advertise Open Day as info has changed to Imbil & date 31st August Ok to order. Derek brought up do we have boxes ready for swarm season, answer no. Eliza mentioned that she would like to donate one of her Bee Remedy Kits to the club to put with our first aide kit as a natural remedy for Bee stings if anyone needs it. Eliza also donates \$5 from any sales through the club to Valley Bees. Thankyou Eliza. Reg mentioned Maree asked if he would go to Mawarra Independent School at Kybong?. Reg, Brian & Marj went. Reg took a bucket of chokoes as the school has their own garden. He didn't take honey to taste. The Principal said they were welcome back to visit anytime. The School has been there for 4 years. Reg said he didn't even know the School was there but now he does you notice it when you drive that way.

Correspondence Inward: Dianne Woodstock Off Grid 3rd-4 th August 2024 at Showgrounds asked again if Valley Bees is interested otherwise another bee group from out of town is interested! No response. Varroa Training Survey from Varroa Mite Prevention Program (VMPP) Vic filled in Maree to send completed back to them.

Outward: None

Treasurers Report: Read by Maree, 2nd by Marj

Reports: Landcare Vic: Usual workshop day a bit overcast & showery weather. Lots of discussion on feeding & varroa mite surveillance

Honeybee Farm Mark: Vic & Rolly gave talks on Varroa Mite & Feeding Bees. Mark said the Nuc we started needed feeding which they did. Bees were nice & quiet.

Mark Flow Hive: Put 1 flow frame of Honey in the Gympie Show difference of ½ point between 1st & 2nd prize so Valley Bees won 2nd Prize \$8. Landcare & HBF flows are both going well.

Reg & Peter Native Bees: Reg report: Not doing anything with natives until Spring. Derek mentioned Peter said it would be his last Show too much work for him. He will be missed at Gympie Show as he is very knowledgeable

Raffle won by NO RAFFLE today.

Meeting closed at 11.35am

Next Meeting: Will be the **15th June 2024 & AGM**