

Meeting Valley Bees 8 August 2021

Meeting started 2pm. Dana welcomed everyone.

Apologies Wayne, Glenbo, Tom C

Minutes of previous minutes handed out.

Pauline moved, Mark seconded, that minutes from previous meeting are accurate. Carried.

Note for AGM records: Pauline confirmed that she is willing to be vice chair.

Correspondence

IN

Invoice for VB website domain name, \$29 for two years.

Email mayor accepting invitation to open open day

Chris Hargreaves Veteran offering to agist hives 0423987985

Gympie Rotary quilt and craft show stand for beekeeping. Bill, Dana and Mark volunteered.

Jan from Honeybee farm waiver for fees. Meeting in shed due to change of purpose of cottages. 'Hive' (hall) and kitchen off limits. She needs permanent supplier of honey - see Maree.

Treasurer's Report

MRCCC account 4035.61

Bendigo account 3315.00

Petty cash 100.00 + \$1 on debit card

Total 7451.61

Maree moved treasurer's report be accepted. Marj seconded. Carried.

General business

Landcare report - Vic. 30 participants. Spoke about seasonal things, make up a goal e.g. honey, breed nucs. Watch for swarms. Started two nucs. 8 or 9 frames to spin. Ex-cranky requeened hive quiet and no bridge comb.

Honey bee farm - Mark. 20 participants. Made a nuc out of two strong hives. Honey in hive 3, uncapped honey in hives 4&5, hive 6 injured queen will need to be replaced.

Mark and Reg were called out to bee hive in gum tree at Woolooga solar farm. Four days later, hive doing well including the queen.

Flow hive - Mark. New queen in the flow doing well.

Native bees - Bill. Showed people native bee hive at Landcare at recent beekeeping workshop.

Robyn and Vic happy to give Bill their boxes which are currently at Landcare. Let Merv know that remaining box at Landcare was bought off Merv by Reg who sold it to VB. Maree to give Merv a call.

Bee stories..

Mick. Caught a swarm.

Mark. 9 frames waxed to replace ones used by Vic.

Reg. Responded to pest controller report of bees in a rental house. Came to nought.

Vic. About rescuing hive, person had a better offer, also came to nought.

Story: Reg missed his big opportunity to be an important judge because Imbil Show cancelled.

For new members info, about the lucky door prize. Club buys a raffle, members put in \$2. Members can bring excess produce to share.

Raffle. Meeting ended 2.30pm.