

Valley Bee Meeting Minutes 19th November 2022

Attended: Maree, Mark, Dana, Mick, Lyn, Derek, Vic, Bill, Reg and Marg, Greg, Jennifer, Maureen and Derek.

Apologies: Pauline and Wayne

Minutes accepted: Derek and Lyn

Business Arising: Decision on a place to have the next Bee Open Day, we looked at the indoor bowls hall and it was not acceptable.

Mark put forward a proposal that we go with the council pavilion for 2023 and continue to research other options. Thank you to Bill for his efforts and research. Proposal was accepted by the meeting. Dana to check with Anita from the Council about the availability of the pavilion for next year.

Mark has spent some of his time altering some bee boxes from bee positive to replace the rotting the flow hive parts. Well done Mark thank you for your efforts.

Outgoing mail: Nil

Incoming: A membership

Treasures Report: Read and accepted by Maree, and Seconded by Bill

General Business:

Maree said that Wayne Smith has offered the Mothar Mountain Hall for our end of year club break up, after a discussion it was decided to have the break up at the hall.

End of year Club break up

Where Mothar Mountain Hall

When Saturday 10th December 2022

Bring along your own drinks / Valley Bees supplies the meal

Meeting Before the break up starts @ 12 with break up lunch to follow.

RSVP as soon as possible to Maree.

One of our members asked where our source of money came from, and it was explained that, Bee open day/ membership were the main sources for the club.

Vic Landcare Report

The hives were successfully moved to a new position, only one slimed out and it was sorted out. Last meeting, we had a good group of people attend, and we spun out four frames to show new members the process. The dept would like members to test for varroa mite and report back to them please.

Marks Flow hive report

Mark has replaced the breaking down flow boxes and did a great job.

Beetle is still about but not as bad as last month.

We may drain some of the flow frames next month as they are filling up.

Bills Native Bee report

Native bee hive @ Landcare has died out, some member say that it would have been at least 80 yrs.' old. Landcare have moved hives to other places and they have died out. Boxes split on 29th 10.22 are going great.

Last week in Jan the club will split hives @ Landcare 28.1.23 @ this stage. Meet @ Landcare at 9 am for Native bee split. Doing 3 hives 2 in boxes and 1 in a tree.

Native bee box building day to be organised.

Raffle Winner was > Reg Hatch