

Townsville and District Beekeepers Association (Inc)

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Next Meeting: Sunday 13 October 2024 2 pm (includes AGM)

At Mark & Maria's home

17 Macquarie St, Jensen

Bring a chair and a friend. Free sausage sizzle to follow the meeting

NQ gets our very own Varroa detective – a familiar face for the Club

Carla Kersnovske will be visiting beekeepers all over North Queensland in order to demonstrate and describe Varroa checking and monitoring methods. She would like to arrange to see multiple beekeepers in the one area, like Charters Towers, Ayr, Bowen, Ingham really anywhere in NQ. She will start by talking about monitoring for Varroa, showing beekeepers how the Bee 123 program works, and answering any questions people have.

Some background on Carla

Growing up I always thought I'd be the one eating the honey, not working the bees. However, that all changed when I got my first backyard hive around 10 years ago. Quickly immersing myself in the sector, I was committed to learning all I could. This led to me joining the National Varroa Mite Eradication Program back in 2016, where I was part of the team managing hive surveillance, eventually becoming Team Leader. My hands-on experience included working with beekeepers to test for varroa mite, using alcohol washes, sugar shakes, and drone uncapping – all things beekeepers large and small will be becoming more familiar with as we monitor for and manage varroa.

I look forward to supporting our Queensland beekeepers in my role as Varroa Development Officer.

I am based in Townsville and you can contact me at phone: 0467 236 135 or Carla.Kersnovske@daf.qld.gov.au



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Do the sugar shake and check for these blighters!

Contact Carla, Roger Winton or Rob Stephens immediately if you see any Varroa mites.

Rob Stephens Plant Biosecurity & Product Integrity

M 0407 374 232 E robert.stephens@daf.qld.gov.au

Fill in the [Bee 123 form](#) even if you don't see any mites – a negative result is what we all want to see.



Queensland is now in Transition to Management (T2M) for Varroa

Workshop planned for later this year for Townsville beekeepers, stay tuned with TDBAI communications

The FREE one-day workshops will provide Queensland beekeepers with the training and skills to undertake effective varroa mite management. Each workshop will cover:

- Understanding varroa mite and its impacts
- The importance of monitoring and thresholds
- Integrated pest management for varroa mite
- Chemical treatment options including organic options
- Brood location, frame rotation and management
- Best practice record keeping.

Xmas Lunch Sunday 8 December at Bohle Barn

Get your calendar sorted and be there. **RSVP to tsvbeeclub@gmail.com**

TDBAI Committee is involved in many activities – can you lend a hand?

Contact any of the Committee Members to find out how to get involved

The Pineapple Festival at Rollingstone held on 31 August was a great success. Many thanks to the volunteers who turned up, and to Alex for towing the club trailer.

Question from Dr John Carr – could native bees replace European honey bees?

What alternative native bee pollinators are present in the almond growing areas that might satisfy pollination requirements?

John's Hypothesis*

The almond crop in NSW could be pollinated successfully using farmed native bees transported in during almond flowering. There might not be a requirement for *Apis mellifera*.

**This is a testable hypothesis. Just an idea - even if it's too late- but it's an idea worth testing. Queensland is still free of Varroa and as a vet I do not agree with giving up health so casually.*

Where the almonds are



Where the bees are



17th Asian Apicultural Association Conference in Perth June 2024

Reported in "Beeinformed Newsletter" Vol 23, Issue 2, August 2024

Over 700 attended and 300 presented at this international gathering recently where an International Apitherapy Forum was launched to promote scientific understanding and usage of bee products and bee therapy in contributing to human health.

Other topics in the newsletter were:

- If you keep bees, you're a beekeeper! And this comes with responsibilities and legal obligations.
- A traceability program to track hive movements, ownership and border protection to help keep Varroa out of WA has been funded.
- Commercial beekeepers with an ABN have been granted an exemption to use bee smokers during fire bans, obtainable by application.
- A sensor that can sniff out the aroma of AFB is being developed by Uni of WA.
- Jarrah honey can be authenticated by its phenolic chemical make up according to Uni of WA researchers. Harrods of London is selling a 250g jar for around AUS\$1300. Manuka honey production was worth \$2.3 billion in 2020 and that industry has developed an authentication profile.
- Honeybees can regulate the food quality fed to their larvae, despite having access to some pollens with low protein content or poor amino acid profile. Nurse bees make up some of the shortfall from their own body stores, but more info is needed to boost nutrition in starving hives.

AGM and General Meeting – 13 October
See nomination form at the end of this Newsletter

TDBAI looking for fresh blood – join the organisers to help keep the Club active

Nomination form at the end of this Newsletter. Fill it out and send into our Committee.

We will be seeking nominations for the following positions: if you are willing to be more involved with the club, please consider nominating yourself.

- President
- VP
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Events Coordinator
- Newsletter Editor
- Assistant Editor
- Biosecurity Awareness
- Membership officer
- Shop Manager
- Librarian
- Website/Social Media
- Community Liaison
- Native Bees Rep
- Committee Members

Christmas get-together, on Sunday 8 December, at the Bohle Barn Hotel.

Chief Librarian Beryl spreading the info to the next generation of Beeks

Beryl was spotted at a recent event helping a young future beek. Beryl runs our very well stocked library that is open to all members (just return the books, please) and has included an image of one of the books. Could be a good Christmas project activity with the kids or grandies.



Cheap and effective pesticide free way to stop SHB

Roll up Chux cloth placed on top bar of super - cheap bug collector

What you get if you have a SHB invasion – yuk!



Bees on the internet

A roundup of interesting articles on the internet about bees.

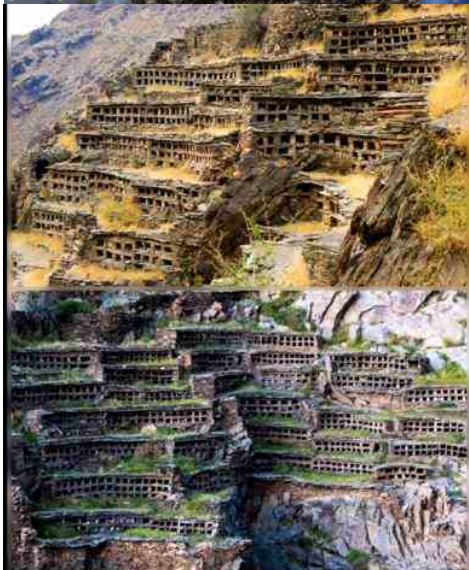


Gao Bingguo, is the Chinese beekeeper on the left who set a new Guinness World record after covering his body with almost 1.1 million crawling bees weighing a massive 109kg (240lbs) back in 2015. He was stung over 2,000 times and his body temperature rose to over 60 degrees Celsius (140 degrees Fahrenheit).

Poor blighter on the right looks like he will sore in the morning, or now.

(from somewhere on Facebook – I couldn't find the source for either of these , but then, they probably didn't acknowledge them either)

My first day as a bee-keeper went great 🍯 😊



Facebook again

In the abandoned village of Al-Kharfi, south of Taif in Saudi Arabia, 1,200 ancient beehives reveal a hidden story of survival and ingenuity. Built from clay and mud, these beehives were essential to the early inhabitants, providing a critical source of food and medicine in the harsh desert.

The honey they produced played a vital role in daily life, sustaining the community in a challenging environment where resources were scarce.

National Wattle Day on the first day of spring

<https://malleedesign.com.au/happy-national-wattle-day-acacia-binervia-sterling-silver/>

Here is *Acacia binervia* or Sterling Silver wattle and a happy bee in Carla Trott's garden in Sydney. Acacia is great for pollen (approx. 23%protein) but pretty lousy for nectar.



Drip free honey spoon gets all twisted, but not out of shape

From The Ed's kitchen drawer

Check this out, you can scoop a spoon of honey and not have to leave the sticky spoon lying around for the ants to get stuck into it.



Red dwarf honeybee discovered in Europe for first time

<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/article/2024/aug/30/colony-invasive-red-dwarf-honeybee-first-time-europe>

This little tacker has been found out on the remote NW coast of the Kimberley also.

The red dwarf honeybee has established a colony in Europe for the first time, scientists have found.

The bee, *Apis florea*, is native to Asia and its discovery has raised alarm among local beekeepers and conservationists, who fear the potentially devastating impact on native bee populations.

“It is concerning that *Apis florea* has been found in Malta,” said Dave Goulson, a professor of biology at the University of Sussex, who was not involved in the research. “*Apis florea* is likely to compete for pollen and nectar with our native pollinators, a group of insects that are already in decline. It is also very likely that these bees will be carrying multiple diseases which European bees may have little resistance to.”

Previous reports show the red dwarf species has slowly expanded its territory from Asia to the Middle East and north-east Africa, but until now it had never been reported in Europe.



Native bee honey now legal to buy and sell

https://www.abc.net.au/news/rural/2024-08-23/native-stingless-bee-honey-food-standards-approved/104249950?utm_source=abc_news_web&utm_medium=content_shared&utm_campaign=abc_news_web&utm_content=mail

Until late last month, beekeepers who sold the rare native honey, which retails for up to \$500 per kilogram, were operating in a grey area and did not have the law on their side.

Rich in bioactive ingredients, native stingless bee honey could not legally be defined as honey because it did not meet the definition of honey in the national food standards code.

Native bees form a circular brood nest inside a hive. (ABC Illawarra: Nicole Curby)



Native bees form a circular honey comb inside a hive. (ABC Illawarra: Nicole Curby)



A regular honey bee and stingless bee on a citrus flower. (Supplied: Tobias Smith, University of Queensland)

Reminders for membership renewal are sent by email – now \$35/p.a.

Membership fees can be made electronically to:

Townsville and District Beekeepers

BSB: 633 000

Account: 141 466 078

Please make sure you add your Surname or subscription number so that your membership can be signed off.

MY BEE STORY – Part 1

By Club Member Tito Parigi

When I was young in Italy, I never had the opportunity to take an interest in the life of bees and honey production. After finishing university, I went to Zambia, in Africa, to work. While in Africa, I started hunting a lot. Many weekends, I would leave on Friday and return on Sunday, heading into the bush far from the city specifically to hunt. One day, when I arrived at the camp, I was sitting around with friends, and my assistant, the local man who helped me with hunting, started laughing while looking at me. I asked him what was going on, and he said, "Ah, you know, Buana"—since they called me Buana—"there's a little bird, and do you hear that bird singing softly among the branches around us? Well, that little bird can lead us to a beehive where we can get some honey." So, he started explaining to me. There is this little bird that, if we follow it, will lead us to the beehive, and we can take the honey. However, we must always leave a piece of the hive for him in return, because he eats the bee's larvae. So, we have to leave something for him and take the honey. The whole thing really intrigued me. When we started, I didn't believe it at first. But we followed where the little bird went. It would stop about twenty or thirty meters from us and start fluttering around, singing. We responded by imitating its sound. Then it would fly again, going another twenty or forty meters ahead, and start circling us, singing once more. And we would respond. It kept moving, and this went on for quite some time. Eventually, the bird began flying around us with much more energy, and that's when "Lungo," (tall in Italian) my assistant, smiled and said, "There we are, we've arrived at the spot where we need to find the beehive."



I started looking around, and at a certain point, a swarm of bees attacked me, stinging me—one under my eye and another on my hand. I began running like mad, trying to get away from the bees. Lungo, calm as ever, smiled at me and said, "Look, Buana, go into a tree with lots of branches, pass through it, brushing against the branches, and then come out on the other side of the bush. You'll see that they won't follow you anymore." Indeed, it was all over; I moved further away, and there was nothing around me anymore. But, of course, those stings hurt quite a lot.

Lungo took his axe, which he had brought with him, and looked up at the tree, then started chopping it down, as the beehive was very high up in the tree. So, if we wanted to get the honey, we obviously had to fell the tree. All the bees began targeting him, swarming towards him, and not just a few, he was covered in bees, and calmly, he would brush them off from around his eyes and continue with his work.

I had forgotten to mention that before Lungo started with the axe, he had gathered some elephant dung which was dry and lying around the area. He lit it, and it produced a lot of smoke. He took these smoking pieces of elephant dung and placed them near the spot where he was working.

I later learned that the locals, the black people, normally don't feel bee stings the way we do. He wasn't the only one who seemed immune to the pain. All the others I met after him were the same—it was like flies, anything bothersome to them. Lungo was covered in stingers, the tips left behind when bees sting. Even his face was covered in these stingers, which he didn't even bother to remove. I, from a distance with my hunting friend, watched and filmed everything they were doing. We were having a great time. In the end, the tree fell, and Lungo began cutting at the spot where the bees entered the trunk. After opening it, he started taking pieces of the hive and placing them into a sack he had nearby. Even my friend, despite being covered by a net with me, a bee got him and you could already see that the sting area was becoming very swollen. While I still felt a bit of pain and was swollen, it wasn't as bad as his. As Lungo knew well, he placed all the pieces with the bee larvae in a spot where the little bird could come and eat. He reminded me that if he didn't do this, the next time we followed a bird to find honey, we might end up finding a snake or something worse instead.



Sometimes it was fairly short, and other times it was incredibly long. Once, I thought we would never reach the moment when we'd find the honey, but even then, we eventually did. This little bird is very small, like a sparrow, with a slightly black head, as I recall. It's quite an insignificant-looking bird.

When I got home, my wife, Lucia, was overjoyed. She immediately started tasting the honey I had brought, and we had a great time. Even the kids joined in on the fun. From that moment on, whenever I had the chance, I would follow the little bird and collect the honey. The distance varied.

After many years, ten years, I left Zambia, and after a year or two, I arrived in Australia. In Australia, I began hunting deer and wild boar, but there was no little bird to follow for honey. One day at the local market, I saw someone selling honey, and they also had small boxes with honeycombs, so of course, we bought some. They were quite expensive, much more than regular honey, but we tried them. They were delicious, and it reminded me so much of the time I spent in Africa. So every week, when we went looking for it, we didn't always find those honeycombs, because the man selling them—a very large man with a long beard, always ready to talk a lot and explain everything he did for the bees—didn't always have them. He said he had to work much harder to get the honeycombs. For years, we kept buying those little boxes full of excellent honeycomb.



At some point, here in Australia I had a university teacher friend and we began talking in general about our life. We became great friends, and he told me that he kept bees. So I immediately asked him if, by any chance, he had honeycombs to sell or give me. He was very kind and said, "Listen, come next week, because I need to open my hives, and I'd be more than happy to show you everything I do and give you some honeycombs."

And so that's what happened. I went there, dressed in shorts and a light shirt. First, we sat down to have coffee with the family and chat, and I noticed that the hives were very close to the house. I could see them from where I was sitting. I asked him, "Isn't it dangerous to have the bees so close? Won't they attack you?" He replied, "Oh no, don't worry, there's no harm." He put on a hood to protect his head, but nothing on his hands or legs. He approached and opened the hive. Sure enough, the bees started flying around him a little, I was terrified, keeping my distance, and he invited me to come closer. "Move slowly, come here, don't worry, there's nothing to fear."

So, with patience, I began approaching, and nothing happened. The bees flew around, but nothing else. He said, "Come, look. See, this one here is the queen, and this is the honey, and here they're laying eggs." He explained all the parts of the hive, which was really interesting. Little by little, I got closer. Then he told me, "These are bees imported from Italy, called Italian bees, and they're the gentlest in the world. Then there are German bees, which make more honey but are a bit more aggressive. Russian bees are terrible, and you should absolutely never buy them or try keeping them. And African bees are the worst of all—no one would ever keep them in a hive for honey production."

Little by little, I got closer and closer until he handed me a hive frame, a frame full of bees, to hold. With great fear, I took it, and nothing happened. The other person, a woman who had come to watch the same thing, was absolutely terrified. She couldn't come close at all. She stayed far away, watching, and absolutely refused to come any nearer. At the end of all this, this friend—whose name I can't remember anymore, my memory isn't great—told me to come a few weeks later, on a Sunday, to the bee club meeting, where he was the president or something like that. He said, "Oh, you definitely have to start keeping bees. If you love them so much, if you enjoy it so much, you absolutely must do it. Come, have a look, we'll teach you what to do, and everything will be fine."

And he did come back!

Stay tuned for Part 2 of Tito's adventure with bees in the next Newsletter

Ed's Comment: Thanks for your story, Tito. I experienced African bees in Morocco; and they were not as friendly as your experience. I got to within about 75 m before I realised the hives did not wait for me any closer – and I beat my hasty retreat at full gallop while being attacked.

Members!!!! Write me your bee story – this is not Facebook or whatever – we will not criticize or mock you. We all want to hear how your adventures are going, what's happening in your backyard, successes and failures.

Minutes of General Meeting TDBAI on 8th September at Michael Hooper Park

Note Taker Doris Newitt

21 Members and 8 guests attended with 3 apologies.

Meeting opened 2pm by Mark Finn

Mark welcomed all and asked guests to introduce themselves. Interests were for both Native and European bees.

With the absences of the President, Vice President and Secretary, Mark called on Lou to present the Treasurer's report. Paper copy of figures was circulated for all to read. Closing Bank balance being \$68,442. Beryl proposed that the report be accepted and Maria 2nd. Motion was carried with a show of hands.

Beryl reported on Library activities. Newcomers and existing members were encouraged to view the selection of books and magazines on show after the meeting. Borrowing rules explained.

Maria asked, on behalf of Lindsay, for contributions to the Newsletter. The meeting agreed the Lindsay provided, monthly, a very newsy newsletter.

Mark and Ron reported on the shop. They had encountered few teething problems and they thanked members for their patience. They also asked that orders be placed on line and paid for Thursday night prior to shop day, where possible.

Mark introduced Carla, one of the recently appointed Varroa Development Officers. Carla explained her role and invited questions. She stressed the importance of checking our hives regularly and reporting to Bee123. Both negative and positive results are equally important.

Rollingstone Pineapple Festival was held 31st August. Mark thanked all who assisted. Special thanks went to Alex who stepped in at the last minute when both Mark and Ron were unable to attend. Those who attended agreed the Festival was a success and would be happy to be part of it again next year.

Mark invited all to stay on for the opening of hives and afternoon tea.

Meeting Closed 2.25pm

From the Club Shop volunteers

Preferably – log onto the website and place your order there: Members Only \ Shop

If you experience difficulty accessing the web site for orders, please use the following email address to contact the club using tsvbeeclub@gmail.com

Alternatively you can place your orders via shop@beesnorth.com.au

Shop opening is first Saturday of the month.

Location: 3/38 Rendle St, Aitkenvale

Time: 9am – 10:30am Collection at other times by arrangement and when volunteers are available.

Remember the Shop etiquette – politeness and patience are key components to success!

To all visitors to our Club Shop – please be respectful, patient and polite to our Volunteer shopkeepers. Please arrive with a smile, a dose of patience, and remember your manners. We are doing this for fun. It's not a business, its run by volunteers.

Email orders will be given priority and serviced – but walk in orders may be completed if time allows. Pre-order before midnight on the Thursday before shop opening time.

Golden Rules for the Club Shop:

Please follow this guide:

1. Order **and pay** by Thursday midnight **before** the opening day.
2. Bring your order number and print out of the request with you.
3. Arrive at the Shop **after** 9:00 am
4. Non-emailed or late orders may not get any attention if the Shop is too busy.
5. Please take your purchases and make room for the next shoppers, thanks.



Future Meetings

Sunday 13 October (AGM) location 17 Macquarie St Jensen

Sunday 10 November, location TBA

December – no meeting

January – no meeting

Sunday 9 February 2025, location TBA

Welcome to our New Members

Existing Club Members are encouraged to assist/mentor our Newbees. They have joined the club to learn about bees, so even if you only have limited experience, give them a hand if you can. Invite a Newbee to your hive opening and discuss what's inside the box, let newbies experience hive openings to become more confident, and you will learn more yourself by trying to explain what's going on in there.

Subscribe to the Bee Aware e-newsletter and stay up to date

The Bee Aware newsletter is an e-newsletter for beekeepers and growers of pollinator-reliant crops, or anyone else simply interested in beekeeping or the pollination of crops. Each newsletter contains the latest in news, research and development, as well as upcoming events relating to honey bee biosecurity and the pollination of horticultural and agricultural crops. Townsville features in Issue 52 due to the latest AHB and Varroa incursion.

<https://beeaware.org.au/subscribe-to-newsletter/>

Native bee Newsletter – join the group and check out some great info and photos

The CROSS-POLLINATOR – Newsletter of the Australian Native Bee Association

Original articles, new information and news from the world of native bees. The Association has branches in Sydney, Brisbane, Wide Bay and Gladstone, but no Townsville branch?? Are there enough interested native beekeepers to get one "flying"?

Check out these sites: <https://australiannativebee.org.au/>
<https://www.facebook.com/Australian.Native.Bee.Association/>
<https://www.instagram.com/australiannativebeeassociation/>

E-mail contacts for the Office Holders 2023/24

You can use these email contacts for the Office Holders, and hopefully they will have figured out how to access them and will respond ASAP. president@beesnorth.com.au, treasurer@beesnorth.com.au, shop@beesnorth.com.au, editor@beesnorth.com.au
And for all web and membership enquiries : membership@beesnorth.com.au

TDBAI Office holders and Committee for 2023/2024

Positions	Name	Positions	Name
President	Nick Smith	Committee 1	Danny Killoran
Vice President	Frana McKinstry (Acting)	Committee 2	Kristine Walker
Secretary	Liz Hennig	Committee 3	Doris Newitt
Treasurer	Louise Clark	Committee 4	Maria Finn
Event Co-Ordinator	Amanda Coldwell	Committee 5	Greg Skellern
Community Liaison Officer		Committee 6	
Biosecurity Awareness Officer	John Carr	Committee 7	
Newsletter Editor	Lindsay Trott	Committee 8	
Assistant Editor	John Carr		
Membership Officer			
Shop Managers	Ron Newitt & Mark Finn		
Shop Assistant			
Librarian	Beryl Smart		
Website/social media Officer	Amanda Coldwell		
Native Bees Representative	Nick Smith		

Swarm Contact List:

Please advise Lindsay Trott (Editor) editor@beesnorth.com.au if you wish to be removed from this list.
Contact me with your name, phone number and suburb if you want to be added to the list.

Swarm Collection – honey bees

Alex Jenkins **Townsville to Rollingstone** 0459 472 166
Ben Taylor **Douglas, Riverside Gardens** 4728 4992 or 0428 186000
Duane Saltmer **Alice River** 0400 339508
Nick Smith **Townsville & Surrounds** 0438033 301
Steve Kersnovske **Kelso** 0417 344 419
Sonya Verburgt **Gulliver** 0408 530 991
Sharene Dougall **Bluewater** 0415 426 903
Phillip Plant **Townsville, Ayr, Rollingstone** 0456191 000
Bruce Mogensen **Railway Estate/Idalia** – 0427 174 705
Liz Hennig **Northern Beaches** – 0409067 367
Ronelle Nord **Alice River, Rupertswood** 0417 752 622
Tito Parigi **Magnetic Island** 0418 796951

Native bee removal

Bruce Warren **Townsville Area** 0413 395 928
Nick Smith **Townsville & Surrounds** 0438033 301

Nest Removals from houses, trees and other structures

Alex Jenkins **Townsville to Rollingstone** – 0459 472 166
Phillip Plant **Townsville, Ayr, Rollingstone** 0456 191 000

Remember that Varroa is down south and we don't want it up here – check those swarms.

Editor needs your input – why not tell me your story?

Club Member Profile Questionnaire

Send stories and pictures to : trottlindsay@gmail.com

Name /HIN /Suburb /Native or/and European bees /No of hives/area of hive locations? Type of hives? / Type of foundation? /Beetle protection?

Year commenced beekeeping?

Who was your mentor?

Who is involved in your household?

Is anyone allergic/sensitive to stings?

What has been your biggest success? / failure?/ mistake?/ biggest lesson?

What would you do differently if you had to start beekeeping again after a disaster like fire/AFB/Varroa/cyclone

Do you sell/barter/give away honey?

How much honey does your average hive produce?

Do you make any other products from your hives?

Do you volunteer for the Club at Open days, markets, school events, public displays?

Would you like to participate?

Any stories you would like to tell?

Attach photo please?

That's it!!!! Just fill it out and send it to me, and you will be a rock star in the Monthly Newsletter.

Please provide more than just a one word answer!!

Cheers The Ed

Blooper of the Month? Send me your blooper for totally anonymous recognition-

honestly

Open positions at TDBAI - nominate now, see attached form

President

VP

Secretary

Treasurer

Events Coordinator

Newsletter Editor

Assistant Editor

Biosecurity Awareness

Membership officer

Shop Manager

Librarian

Website/Social Media

Community Liaison

Native Bees Rep

Committee Members



Townsville & District

BEEKEEPERS

ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2024 NOMINATION FORM OFFICE BEARERS / MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

I, of.....

Being a member of the above named Association hereby nominate

..... of.....

To be..... (position) for Townsville & District Beekeepers Association Inc during the year 2023 / 2024

Nominated by:

(Signature)

Seconded by:

(Signature)

Dated:

Note: Form to be returned to TDBA Secretary before AGM

Cut along dotted line.....

TOWNSVILLE & DISTRICT BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2024 PROXY FORM

I, of.....

Being a member of the Association, appoint.....

Of

As my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the Annual General Meeting of the above named Association to be held on

13 October 2024, and at any adjournment thereof

Signed this day of..... 2024

.....
(Signature)

This form is to be used: - In favour of the resolution ./ - Against the resolution