



The Sting

The official newsletter of the Southside Beekeepers Club.



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NEXT CLUB MEETING

7pm Wed 23th January 2019
Monterey Secondary College,
Silvertop Street, Frankston North

SOUTHSIDE BEEKEEPERS MISSION STATEMENT

We work to ensure a thriving and sustainable beekeeping industry. To this end we advocate for beekeepers' interests, support honey bee health, research, deliver practical training, education, mentoring and information

PRESIDENTS REPORT

The last 6 months have been incredibly busy with our club growing in size and obtaining facilities and finances in place to now enable us to advocate and uphold our Mission Statement.

All this has been achieved by an amazing, generous and hard-working committee. Also thank you to the members who have contributed both financially and with clever ideas. This is a not for profit club and we welcome your ideas for your club.

Our new home at Monterey SC is an opportunity for our club to be the premier Bee Club in Australia. I formally thank Dr Gillian Kay from the Frankston City Council and Stuart Jones the principal at Monterey SC for inviting us to share this facility. In conjunction with them our future ideas will be fulfilled.

The Apiary has been relocated to its new home, whilst being in poor condition at The Briars the bees are now thriving. James Warner has been opening the hives and presenting to Classes. He has repaired and rebranded the club registration as they were not branded correctly nor registered with the Department of Economic Development.

For the first time in club history we have an official newsletter.

The Sting is now our communication and information for our members and we welcome editorial from you. Thanks to Mark Collier and Gary Davis for your creative input.

New eye-catching banners and pull ups were designed by Mark Collier and organized by Graham Gill. They are now used at all club functions.

Susie Kirkham and Graham Gill, on behalf of the club were awarded a Frankston City Council grant towards our promotional trailer of \$1,275.00. Gary Davis suggested a thermometer to show our progress. All monthly raffle prizes are now donated, anonymous donors appreciated and \$985.00 raised from the Xmas Party raffle. We now have \$5,000.00 towards our trailer.

The Introductory Bee Keeping Classes have resumed after being discontinued in 2017 with 3 courses being fully booked. Of particular joy the students loved the opening of the hives by James Warner in the apiary.

Next year we will showplace topbar/ flowhive and conventional hives.

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UPCOMING EVENTS PROGRAM

DATE	ACTIVITY
Wed 30th Jan	Monthly meeting 7pm Monterey SC
Sat 12th Jan	Intro to Bee Keeping Course 9-4pm
Sat 19th Jan	Flow hive course 9 - 12

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Our committee meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month except Jan. Members are always welcome but please call club phone for meeting arrangements.

EXTRACTOR HIRE

Extractors are now available at 3 locations.
Dion Riches at Safety Beach 0417 292 269
Allan Evans at Pearcedale 0474 801 554
Steven Rose at Brighton 0416 120 170

Hire is \$15.00 for 2 days.

PRESIDENTS REPORT *continued*

Thanks again to Mark Collier for designing and printing the lecture notes and the certificates.

Frame and box building demonstration was held at Monterey SC with donation of \$25.00 per person going to a scholarship at the school.

The Xmas party organized by Susie Kirkham, James Warner and Gary Davis was a real BUZZ.

Dress ups were bee-utiful, as was entertainment and food. We also raised \$985.00 towards the trailer.

Bunnings Frankston and Keysborough have been a fantastic sponsor by donating monthly raffles, giving us vouchers for attending presentations at gardening days and the Spring opening.

The Dec 8th Barbeque at Frankston Bunnings raised \$1,700.00 for our club. Thanks to James Warner and Susie Kirkham and all the club members who volunteered their time.

Swarms have been very busy this year with 5 swarm collectors donating back to the club. An arrangement to re-colonize swarms has been made with Telstra, Guardian and Shane. I have used my property to colonize the swarms and I have distributed approx. 20 to members.

At the 2018 AGM the members asked for an Accountant review. This has been completed with copies available on request. The accountant has agreed to continue managing our financials.

The committee has revised expenditure and all purchases have to be approved. We are being as prudent as possible. Committee meetings are self-catered food, printing at cost of paper, all club activities are included in a one off charge of \$1,040.00 to Monterey SC and raffle prizes are all donated.

*As at 12th Nov 2017 **\$17,300,72** was in the Club bank account.*

*As at 12th Nov 2018 **\$33,228.81** is in the Club bank account.*

Our plans for 2019 include restarting the Intermediate Bee Keeping Class, the first in February, building the trailer, planning the apiary, delivering educational training to schools and garden clubs and presenting interesting and topical speakers at meetings.

On behalf of the committee I would like to wish you a very happy and healthy Xmas and New Year.

Allan W Evans - President



Club members at the December 1st Club Christmas party.



Priscilla performing a stand out set at the Club Christmas party.



Participants at the Introductory Bee Keeping course held at Monterey Secondary College and the on-campus Apiary, Sunday 18th November 2018



Club President Allan Evans showing participants of the Introductory Bee Keeping course a frame, Sunday 18th November 2018



Bee Keeping Courses at Monterey SC

Introduction to Beekeeping

Sat 12th Jan 2019, 9am – 4pm
Beekeeping bookings via website or call James on 0434 274 586
Morning and afternoon tea provided
Members \$100 or - Non-members \$160 includes club membership
Please bring a bee suit or call James to loan one

Introduction to Flow Hives

Sat 19th Jan 2019, 9am – 12pm
Members \$0. Non-members \$60 (includes membership)
Book online to avoid disappointment

This Month's Recipe

Slow-roasted lamb with red pepper and pomegranate paste

Ingredients

3 garlic cloves, peeled
1 small red bullet chilli, seeded and scraped
2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon white peppercorns, crushed
1 tablespoon Red pepper paste
3 tablespoons pomegranate molasses
2 tablespoons olive oil
1 teaspoon honey
125ml cold water
2.5 kg leg of lamb, bone in

Method

To make the red pepper and pomegranate paste, crush the garlic and chilli with the salt to a smooth paste. Pound the white peppercorns to a coarse powder and mix with the garlic and

chilli. Stir in the Red Pepper Paste, molasses, oil, honey and water. Rub the paste all over the lamb and leave to rest at room temperature for a couple of hours.

When ready to cook, preheat the oven to the highest temperature. Place the lamb in a roasting tray and put it in the oven. Cook for 15 minutes, then lower the temperature to 160°C. Roast for a further 15 minutes for each 500 g weight to cook the lamb pink. (Increase the cooking time to 20–25 minutes for each 500 g for better cooked lamb.) When cooked, remove from the oven, cover loosely with foil and leave to rest for 20 minutes before carving. Serve drizzled with some of the pan juices.

*from Saha, Saha: A Chef's Journey Through Lebanon and Syria
by Greg and Lucy Malouf*

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