



The Flow

Spring 2025



Spring is here!

It's Carnival time! Time to enjoy the gardens and the energy that spring brings. Beehives are busy at the moment with plenty of pollen and nectar coming in. It's also a busy time for varroa mite accessing more brood.

Varroa continues to spread throughout the East Coast of Queensland with recent detections at Quilpie and Jondaryan. Keep up to date with detections via - [Heat Map](#)



"BEE SCULPTURE" COURTESY OF DARREN MAUNDER

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21ST OF SEPTEMBER

SBKA are holding a stall as part of the Carnival of Flowers festivities

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28TH OF SEPTEMBER

Request for volunteers at the Jondaryan Woolshed

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CLUB MEETING DATES

15th October
19th November
Club Toowoomba, 7pm



Varroa control

Monitor your hives using best practice methods:

- 1 - Alcohol Wash
- 2 - Soapy water wash

Report your results

Bee 123: Varroa m

About you

Varroa mite (Varroa destructor) report any checks you have the information collected Queensland. It also all

Drone uncapping



As part of your integrated pest management.

Swarm control

Recent AGM

The Annual General Meeting was held on the 16th July, 2025

There was good attendance at Club Toowoomba and the following executive positions were filled:

President - Glen Tucker

Vice President - John Pollock

Secretary - Jodie Fogarty

Treasurer - Kent Eising

SBKA were awarded the Community Bee Innovation Fund Grant

The State Government provided \$9000 to facilitate the education and training of our members and with wider bee keeping community, on the safe and effective management of Varroa Mites in their hives. To date two workshops have been facilitated with a theory session, followed by a practical session and the club hives. If you are continuing to keep bees and

have not been to a workshop, please reach out.



Biosecurity Entity

If you keep one or more European Honey Bee hives, you are obligated to register your hive/s. It is a relatively easy process and can be done online at

[APPLY FOR REGISTRATION HERE](#)



COLOSS SURVEY 2025

We urge all beekeepers to complete the survey which is closing 1st of November. The data received contributes to the ongoing national monitoring of honey bee colony losses and management practices. This data is vital for supporting a national response to varroa mite. Keep up to date here:

[NATIONAL VARROA MITE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM](#)

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