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American Foulbrood National Pest Management Plan

Governance Report Apiculture New Zealand (Inc)

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Highlights Report

1. AFB Elimination Transformation Programme

The National Compliance Manager has developed a draft AFB Elimination Transformation programme for the Board to consider at its June Board meeting. The programme definition document is intended to provide a 2-to-3-year roadmap of the strategic initiatives required to address the strategy requirements articulated by the Board, inclusive of the proposed amendments to the plan order submitted to the Minister for Biosecurity in March 2023.

2. Annual Disease Returns

The number of beekeepers submitting their Annual Disease Returns is running 2.4% ahead of last year. This equates to 6.4% ahead as a percentage of registered beekeepers.

The Management Agency received 36% less incoming phone calls from beekeepers in April/May 2023 than the same period in 2022. Support cases lodged by beekeepers in April/May are also down 5% while beekeeper HiveHub logins are up 2%. This is presumed to be the benefit of HiveHub implementation which is now in its third year, i.e. more beekeepers are now able to log into HiveHub and completing their ADR or pay their levy without requesting assistance.

Over 1,000 beekeepers have paid their levy using the new HiveHub “Pay Now” credit card functionality.

3. Certificates of Inspection

2,646 beekeepers completed a COI prior to 15 December 2022. A further 221 beekeepers have completed a late COI up until 29 May 2023.

167 beekeepers owning 853 apiaries have been scheduled for default COI inspections. Default COI inspections have been completed for 61 beekeepers owning 226 apiaries. A further 42 of these beekeepers submitted a late COI, and 19 did not have colonies.

4. Honey Surveillance

211 DECA holders reporting significantly less AFB than average were selected for honey surveillance. These beekeepers own 448,428 colonies.

The current status of honey surveillance is as follows:

- Samples collected: 117 beekeepers
- Samples still to be collected: 22 beekeepers
- Laboratory test results provided by beekeeper: 32 beekeepers
- Laboratory test results still to be provided by beekeeper: 11 beekeepers
- Did not provide extraction facility details: 12 beekeepers
- Did not extract honey this season: 17 beekeepers.

Management Agency 2022/23 Activity Report													
	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Total
# HiveHub portal logins	4,721	2,058	2,744	4,130	5,964	11,419	5,195	3,439	3,167	11,342	9,684	10,492	74,355
# 0800 AFB PMP phone calls	1217	612	554	572	629	955	627	380	325	622	386	692	7,571
Outgoing	419	223	235	242	247	356	269	185	146	241	178	236	2,977
Incoming	798	389	319	330	382	599	358	195	179	381	208	456	4,594
# Help and support cases opened	1,206	516	486	548	852	2,228	1,041	481	283	723	831	1,332	10,527
# Help and support cases closed	1,057	708	444	576	786	1,997	1,163	579	235	648	830	1,273	10,296
Apiary Coordinators	805	397	299	463	677	1,805	1,040	485	165	521	523	824	8,004
Administrator	220	290	121	71	71	128	76	62	41	99	285	434	1,898
Operations Managers	31	17	23	41	22	64	47	32	29	28	21	14	369
National Compliance Manager	0	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	9
# New Beekeeper Registrations	34	28	31	89	154	256	193	109	83	87	34	47	1,145
# Beekeepers Deregistered	282	121	106	87	108	230	132	92	26	177	191	426	1,978
# BK Employees granted HiveHub access	2	1	2	7	5	8	0	3	2	8	2	3	43
# New Apiary Registrations	298	230	290	431	585	1,106	1,028	806	713	1,021	363	622	7,493
# Apiary Deregistrations	836	511	420	489	580	985	501	935	498	2,636	1,201	1,745	11,337
# Colony Returns Completed	1,549	129	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,816	4,095	8,594
# ADRs Completed	1,781	369	13	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	2,606	4,485	9,263
#COIs completed	1	1	10	127	331	1,529	654	136	45	24	5	4	2,867
# Training Course Participants	43	29	44	104	91	60	82	90	73	321	108	90	1,135
# Class-Room Full Course + Test Participants	39	24	38	32	53	31	0	15	44	276	15	50	617
# Online Full Course +Test Participants	0	0	0	0	0	11	19	14	9	20	39	26	138
# Class-Room AFB Refresher Participants	4	5	6	72	38	18	0	29	3	13	18	1	207
# Online AFB AFB Refresher Participants	0	0	0	0	0	0	63	32	17	12	36	13	173
# DECAs Approved	28	21	31	42	49	93	36	24	16	49	39	44	472
#Hobbyist	22	12	28	35	42	78	31	21	2	47	38	43	399
#Commercial	6	9	3	7	7	15	5	3	14	2	1	1	73
# AFB Notifications Reviewed	122	35	120	332	233	297	184	115	111	180	161	154	2,044
# Apiaries Inspected	163	72	176	459	481	603	426	179	230	505	248	251	3,793
# Surveillance	130	43	162	414	456	523	376	156	161	307	178	189	3,095
# Unregistered Apiary	4	8	11	17	13	31	20	7	21	40	17	18	207
# Default COI	24	19	1	0	0	0	2	4	7	116	41	40	254
# High Risk Beekeeper	2	0	1	19	7	45	25	8	35	37	11	0	190
# Monitoring Compliance with s122 Notice	2	1	0	3	0	2	1	3	1	4	0	2	19
# s128 Action on Default	1	1	1	6	5	2	2	1	5	1	1	2	28

Statistics as at 1 June 2023

	June 2022/23	June 2021/22	%Change
Registered beekeepers	9,533	10,170	-6.3%
Registered apiaries	57,139	61,752	-7.6%
Colonies on registered apiaries	608,607	736,707	-17.4%
ADRs submitted	7,267	7,099	+2.4%
ADRs submitted by 1 June	7,267	7,099	+2.4%
COI submitted	2,865	2,830	+1.2%
COI submitted by 15 December	2,644	2,604	+1.5%
# Registered Beekeepers with DECA	5,066 (53.1%)	5,226	-3.1%

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