

*Victorian Apiarists' Association Inc. 2022 Annual Conference
May 19th - May 21st at York on Lilydale, Mt Evelyn. Vic.*

COMPETITIONS 1 & 2

Now is the time to start getting your entries ready.

All entries are to be submitted to the Competition Steward when you check-in at the Conference, but no later than 10.15 a.m. on Saturday 21st May 2022.

1. The Honey Competition.

- ◆ Native Flora Honey
- ◆ Yellow Box Honey
- ◆ Introduced Flora Honey
- ◆ Dark Honey: The darker the better (previously Medium Amber Honey) as people are being misled by the name medium and have been entering honeys that are too light for the category.
- ◆ Candied Honey
- ◆ Creamed Honey
- ◆ Garden Honey

Conditions:

(i) Honey is to be in a standard 500g (375ml) round glass jar with a white/gold 63mm lid, labelled with honey type & containing no wax.

(ii) Jars to be filled half way between lid rim and top.

Judging Criteria:

(i) Honey liquid will be judged on Colour (25 points), Density (25 points), Flavour (25 points), General Appearance (15 points), Aroma (10 points) TOTAL 100

(ii) Honey Candied or Creamed will be judged on Evenness of Grain (30 points), Flavour (30 points), Firmness (30 points), Colour (10 points) TOTAL 100

To help with judging please label the honey flavour on the bottom of the jar (small label.)

2. Honey Beverage. Previously Honey Mead. The name change is to loosen the restrictions as non-alcoholic beverages are included.

Conditions:

All beverages must be exhibited in screw top clear colourless glass wine bottles without lettering, fluting or ornamentation of any kind.

Judging Criteria:

Mead will be judged on Colour and Condition (15 points), Bouquet (35 points), and Flavour (50 points) TOTAL 100

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COMPETITIONS 3, 4 & 5

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3. Honeycomb & Bees' Wax Competition.

- ◆ Best Sealed Frame (full depth)
- ◆ Best Honeycomb Section
- ◆ Beeswax - Best Commercial Block
- ◆ Best Beeswax Block (approx. 1kg)
- ◆ Decorative Bees Wax

Conditions:

All pure bees wax items to have a neat, clean appearance, no cracks or sediment.

Judging Criteria:

(i) Frame and Comb Honey will be judged on Fullness (30 points), Colour of Cappings (30 points), Evenness (20 points), General Appearance (20 points) TOTAL 100

(ii) Wax will be judged on Colour (25 points), Clearness (25 points), Tenacity (20 points), General Appearance (20 points), Aroma (10 points) TOTAL 100

4. Photo Contest:

- ◆ Photography - History
- ◆ Photography - Native Flora
- ◆ Photography - Apiary (now on its own)
- ◆ Photography - Equipment (now on its own)
- ◆ Photography - Introduced Flora
- ◆ Portrait of a Honeybee

5. Pollen Competition

Pollen must be cleaned and dried and presented in a clear 500gm glass jar

Pollen will be judged on Taste (25 points), Hardness (20 points), Cleanliness (25 points), and General Appearance (30 points) TOTAL 100

The Cake Competition:

Due to Covid restrictions with the need for health and safety considerations it has been decided not to proceed with this competition in 2022.

We look forward to a wonderful array of entries in all categories.

Have fun and share your products and skills.

Great prizes to be won!

PRIZES will be awarded at the Annual Dinner

