

Industry update November 2018



12
Current
Projects



\$344,973

Invested
in RD&E
July - Sept
2018



\$1,100,267

Committed
to RD&E
1 July 2018
onwards



AgriFutures™ Honey Bee & Pollination Advisory Panel (L-R):

- Danny Le Feuvre
- Sam Malfroy
- Dr Doug Somerville (Chair)
- Dr Diana Leemon
- Ashley Zamek
- Dr Melanie Bradley (AgriFutures Australia Program Manager)
- Prof Saul Cunningham
- James Kershaw

Current project: Women in Beekeeping Scholarship 2018 Queen Rearing Workshop

Project Leader: Benedict Hughes
Organisation: The Practical Beekeeper
Project ID: PRJ-011592

The Honey Bee & Pollination Program is proud to support the Women in Beekeeping – Queen Rearing Workshop Scholarship, allowing a female beekeeper to attend the annual three day Queen Bee Rearing workshop with The Practical Beekeeper and Bee Scientifics. The workshop will be held in Alphington, Victoria from 23 to 25 November. The scholarship recognises and celebrates the many women who play a significant role in beekeeping and progressing the Australian beekeeping industry. It also encourages the next generation of beekeepers to take their skills to the next level and explore new aspects of beekeeping.

Congratulations to NSW beekeeper, Jacky Bourke, who has been awarded the 2018 scholarship.

Program team update

- AgriFutures Australia welcomed Annabel Stoddart to the team on Tuesday 30 October. Annabel has been recruited as Program Officer for the AgriFutures™ Honey Bee & Pollination, Pasture Seeds and Thoroughbred Horses Programs.
- Program Manager, Dr Melanie Bradley, will commence maternity leave from Monday 19 November.
- Annelies McGaw will be commencing Monday 26 November as Program Manager for the AgriFutures™ Honey Bee & Pollination, Pasture Seeds and Thoroughbred Horses Programs.

Current projects

Progressing implementation of genetic selection in Australian Honeybees

Principal Investigator: Robert Banks

Research Organisation: University of New England

Expected Completion Date: 31 December 2018

Project ID: PRJ-010257

Selection and Development of Australian Hygienic Honey Bee Lines

Principal Investigator: Jody Gerdts

Research Organisation: Bee Scientifics

Expected Completion Date: 14 January 2019

Project ID: PRJ-009904

Market and Production Potential for Australian Produced Propolis

Principal Investigator: Michael Clarke

Research Organisation: AgEconPlus Pty Ltd

Expected Completion Date: 31 May 2019

Project ID: PRJ-010777

Improving Biosecurity Resources and Better Understanding Bee Health in Australia

Principal Investigator: Rodney Turner

Research Organisation: Plant Health Australia Limited

Expected Completion Date: 30 July 2019

Project ID: PRJ-010226

Development of honeybee products from a biodiversity hotspot

Principal Investigator: Kate Hammer

Research Organisation: University of Western Australia

Expected Completion Date: 30 September 2019

Project ID: PRJ-010313

Active Australian Leptospermum honey: new sources and their bioactivity

Principal Investigator: Elizabeth Harry

Research Organisation: University of Technology Sydney

Expected Completion Date: 28 October 2019

Project ID: PRJ-009186

Probiotic development for bees: analyzing gut bacteria in healthy bees

Principal Investigator: Murali Nayudu

Research Organisation: University Of Canberra

Expected Completion Date: 29 February 2020

Project ID: PRJ-010825

Honey Bee and Pollination Program Communications 2018-2020

Principal Investigator: Megan Woodward

Organisation: Cox Inall Communications

Expected Completion Date: 29 May 2020

Project ID: PRJ-011385

Improving the health of hives used in pollination

Principal Investigator: Katja Hogendoorn

Research Organisation: University of Adelaide

Expected Completion Date: 29 May 2020

Project ID: PRJ-010818

Investigating factors that influence chalkbrood outbreaks in Australia

Principal Investigator: John Roberts

Research Organisation: CSIRO Ecosystem Sciences

Expected Completion Date: 30 November 2020

Project ID: PRJ-010815

Increasing the value of Australian honey as a health food

Principal Investigator: Nural Cokcetin

Research Organisation: University of Technology Sydney

Expected Completion Date: 1 August 2021

Project ID: PRJ-010879

Visit the AgriFutures™ Honey Bee & Pollination Program website to learn more about current projects



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