



Tasmanian Beekeepers' Association Inc.

Honey Competition Schedule

The TBA Honey Competition is held annually in conjunction with the annual TBA conference. The competition includes honey, honey beverage, beeswax and photography. The competition is open to the public and entry fees for each category are specified in this document. It is a requirement of entry that the competitor be present at the TBA conference. There are prizes and trophies to be won.

The TBA acknowledges the fantastic and generous sponsorship that is received from individuals, families and organisations. A full list of sponsors is provided with the papers for the conference.

We look forward to receiving lots of entries for the Honey Competition.

ENTRIES	To enter the Honey Competition please complete the attached form and email to secretary@tasmanianbeekeepers.org.au
CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES	Entries can be emailed by Monday 27 th May, or delivered 9.30 – 10am Friday 31 st May and 9 – 9.30am Saturday 1 st June, 2024
DELIVERY OF EXHIBITS	All exhibits need to be labelled and displayed in their allocated spots by 9.30 am on Saturday 1 st June, 2024 (at the Conference Venue). Labels will be issued to exhibitors on the day.
JUDGING	Judging of the Honey Classes, Honey Beverages and Beeswax Classes will occur during conference time. Judging of the Photo Competition is the Peoples' Choice Awards and votes are to be lodged by attendees prior to the end of the Saturday afternoon session of the conference.
ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULTS	Competition winners will be announced at the Conference Dinner on Saturday evening 1 st June, 2024

Section One – Honey, Honey Beverage and Beeswax Classes

Entry fee is \$20 per entry except Class 4 (Leatherwood Honey)

Class 4 – Leatherwood Honey entry fee is \$50 – TBA members receive a 20% discount i.e. \$40 and branch members receive a 10% discount i.e. \$45.

Only one entry per class, per exhibitor except classes 2 & 3 providing it is a different species and the species is specified on the entry form. If more than one entry for classes 2 & 3 only 1 counts for the Gordon Lee Trophy.

Gordon Lee Trophy - champion aggregate

The Gordon Lee Trophy is presented to the person who wins the most points across classes 1 to 10 of judging in section one. Gordon Lee was the second President of the TBA serving from 1948 to 1963.

HONEY CLASSES to be exhibited in round 500 gram clear jars, with white metal lids.		JUDGING CRITERIA
1.	Introduced flora – clover/blackberry - liquid	Flavour 30 points
2.	Introduced flora – other than clover/blackberry -liquid	Density 30 points
3.	Native Flora – liquid	Aroma 20 points
4.	Leatherwood – liquid <i>Reuben Charles Trophy</i>	Clearness and brightness 10 Finish 10 = 100 points
5.	Tasmanian Manuka	Flavour 30 Density 20 Aroma 20 No impurities 20 Finish 10 = 100 points
6.	Hard Candied <i>Robert & Ian Stephens Memorial Award</i>	Flavour 25 Colour 20 Aroma 10 Hardness of grain 25 Regularity of grain 10 Finish 10 = 100 points
7.	Soft Candied – Set	Flavour 25 Colour 20 Aroma 10 Softness of grain 25 Regularity of grain 10 Finish 10 = 100 points

8.	Creamed/Whipped Honey	Flavour 30 Evenness of grain 30 Firmness 30 Colour 10 = 100 points
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Honey Beverage - Mead to be exhibited in round 750 ml clear bottles		JUDGING CRITERIA
9.	Mead <i>The Taverner's Perpetual Trophy</i>	Flavour 50 Aroma 20 Appearance 20 Mouthfeel 10 = 100 points

Beeswax – 1.5 kg block (will be weighed)		JUDGING CRITERIA
10.	Beeswax	Colour 35 Clearness 25 General Appearance 30 Aroma 10 = 100 points

Section Two – Photography

Cost is \$2.00 per entry.

All photos need to be recent (taken within last 12 months).

One entry per class per exhibitor.

Please provide a copy only as photos may be at risk of loss or damage.

Photography Subject - A4 photos (laminated if possible), no frames.		JUDGING CRITERIA
1.	Inspecting Hives	Winners for each of these Classes will be selected via Peoples' Choice Awards voted by Conference delegates.
2.	Bee Swarms	
3.	Bees Working Nectar Sources	
4.	Floral Landscapes e.g. leatherwood	
5.	Any other beekeeping photo	

Please refer to the last page of this document for the entry form

Closing date 27th May, 2024 or between 9.30 – 10am on Friday 31st May or 9 – 9.30am Saturday 1st June, 2024.

Rules & Regulations

- 1. Only delegates attending the conference are permitted to enter exhibits in the Honey Competition.*
- 2. All exhibits must be of Tasmania origin, 100% Tasmania honey and apiary products produced and packaged in Tasmania.*
- 3. All entries in classes 1-8 must be in 500gm round glass jars with white metal lid.*
- 4. All entries in class 9 must be in round 750 ml clear bottles.*
- 5. All entries in class 10 must be weigh 1.5 kg block.*
- 6. All entries in the photography section must be A4 photos (laminated if possible), no frames.*
- 7. The exhibitors name must not appear on any exhibit. Entries are not to have any identifying marks.*
- 8. All exhibits are the responsibility of the exhibitor. The TBA will not be responsible for the loss of, or any damage whatsoever to exhibits.*
- 9. Judges and Stewards will be appointed by the TBA Executive Committee.*
- 10. Where, in the opinion of a Judge, an entry is entered in a wrong class, the judge may refer the matter to the Steward for inquiry and upon the recommendation of the Judge and at the discretion of the Steward, such entry may be transferred to the class for which it is eligible.*
- 11. Where multiple entries are made by any one exhibitor in any one class, it is essential that individual exhibits be derived from different floral sources. No entry may be shown in more than one class.*
- 12. Should the quality of entries in any class not reach adequate standard, the judges are empowered to withhold awards.*
- 13. Awards will be presented for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.*
- 14. The Judges decision will be final with no correspondence entered into.*
- 15. Entries to be delivered to the judging area at the Conference venue by 9.30am on Saturday 31st May. **Late entries will not be accepted.***
- 16. By submitting an entry the entrant agrees to the rules and regulations and confirms his or her entry complies with all the requirements in the rules and regulations.*
- 17. Entries to be collected at the conclusion of the evening on 1st June, 2024*
- 18. The exhibitor irrevocably consents to the TBA publishing or reproducing in any manner whatsoever any particulars or information in relation to their exhibits: the publication or reproduction may be in a printed form or a visual image through electronic means and/or on the internet.*

TBA HONEY COMPETITION ENTRY FORM – 2024

Exhibitors Name:

TBA Member yes/no **Branch Member** yes/no

Non Member yes/no

HONEY CLASSES (if more than 2 for classes 2&3 please use another form)		Tick if entering	Entry Fee	Entry Number Office Use Only
1.	Introduced flora – clover/blackberry (liquid)			
2.	Introduced flora – other than clover/blackberry (liquid) Name Species Name Species			
3.	Native Flora – liquid Name Species Name Species			
4.	Leatherwood – liquid			
5.	Tasmanian Manuka			
6.	Hard Candied			
7.	Soft Candied – Set			
8.	Creamed/Whipped Honey			
HONEY BEVERAGE		Tick if entering	Entry Fee	
9.	Mead			
BEESWAX		Tick if entering	Entry Fee	
10.	Block of Beeswax			
PHOTOGRAPHY SUBJECT		Tick if entering	Entry Fee	Entry Number Office Use Only
1.	Inspecting Hives			
2.	Bee Swarms			
3.	Bees Working Nectar Sources			
4.	Floral Landscapes e.g. leatherwood			
5.	Any other beekeeping photo			
TOTAL ENTRY FEE			\$	

Please email the completed form email to secretary@tasmanianbeekeepers.org.au

Please deposit entry fees into the TBA Bank Account with reference “your name + honey competition” prior to closing date.

Bank Details: Account Name – Tasmanian Beekeepers Association
 Account Number 067 – 406 00901724

Office Use Only:

Entry received date:	
Monies received date:	
Exhibits received:	