



**Amateur
Beekeepers
Association**
NSW

Coordinating Amateur Groups

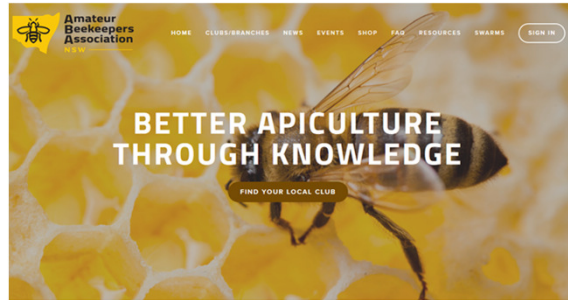
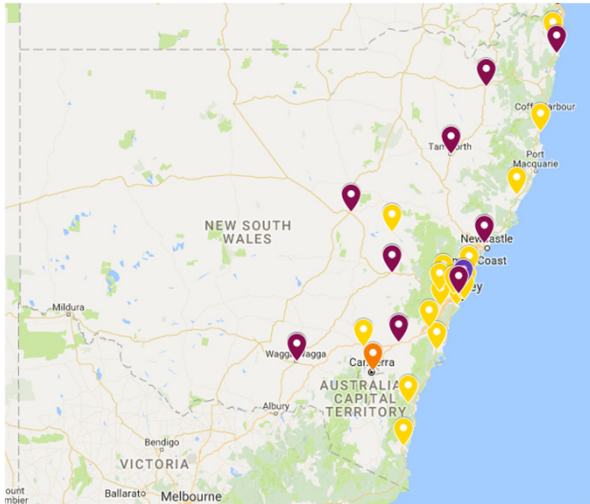
Bruce White OAM
NSW Amateur Beekeeping Association

Beekeeping groups in Australia



State	Organisation	Clubs/Groups
ACT	Beekeepers Association of ACT inc	1
NSW	Amateur Beekeepers Association of NSW	21
	Independent	2
	NSW Apiarist Association	9
QLD	Independent	16
	Queensland Beekeepers Association inc	5
SA	Beekeepers Society of South Australia inc	1
	Independent	1
	South Australian Beekeepers Associations	2
TAS	Tasmanian Beekeepers Association	3
VIC	Victorian Apiarist Association	17
WA	Independent	3
Grand Total		81

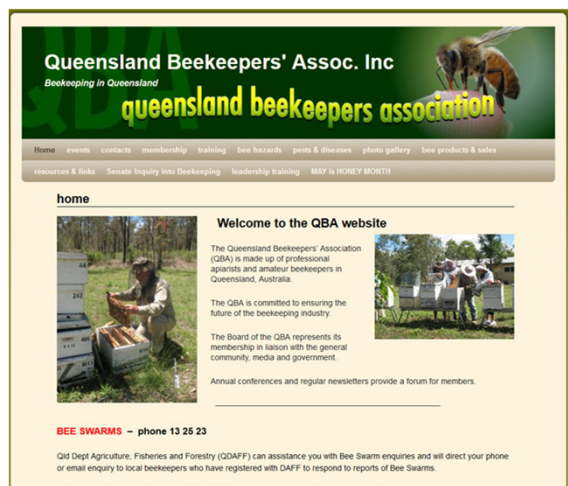
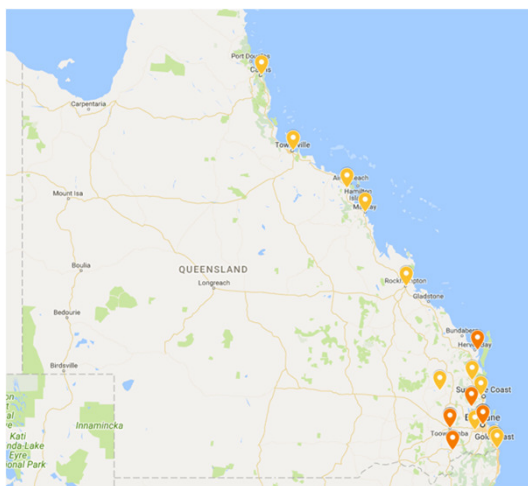
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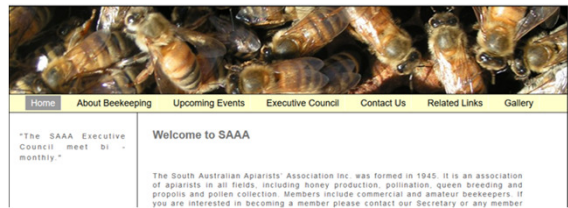
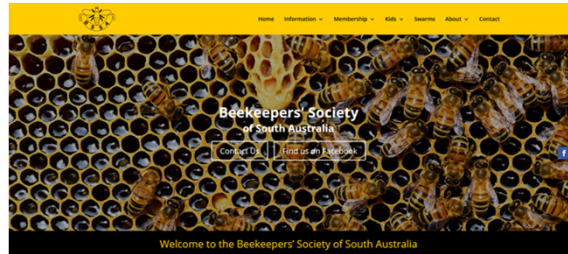
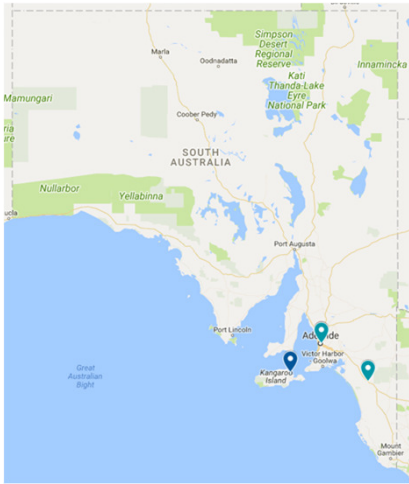
The ABA was founded in 1954, to promote beekeeping as a hobby.

We currently have 20 clubs/branches throughout NSW, providing information and support to over 1,500 amateur beekeepers.

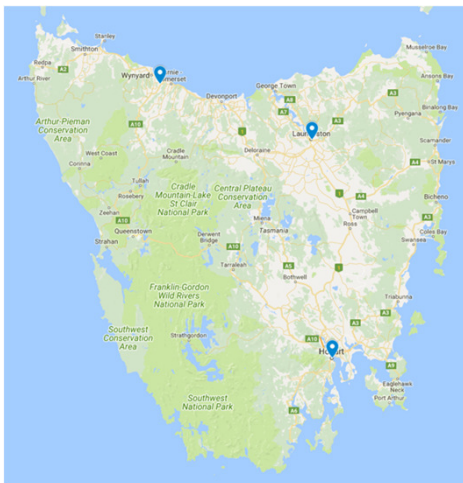
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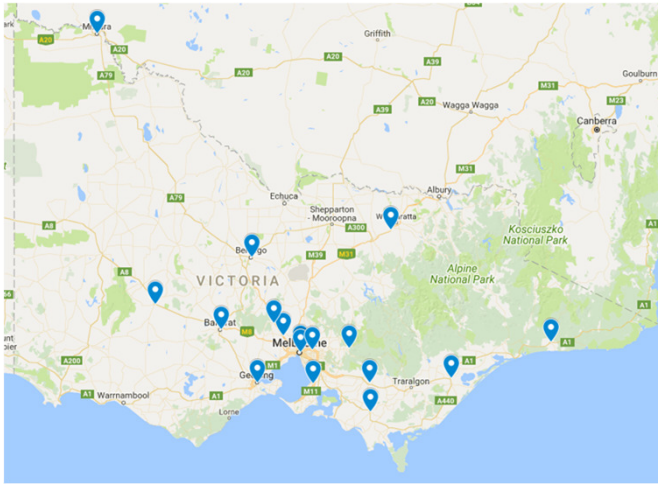


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Victorian Apiarists' Association

We can help you
The Victorian Apiarists' Association can help all beekeepers regardless of how many bee hives they own. Whether you are a hobbyist beekeeper with one hive in the backyard, a semi-commercial beekeeper wishing to take the next step towards becoming fully financially dependent on beekeeping, or a full time commercial beekeeper - we can help you.

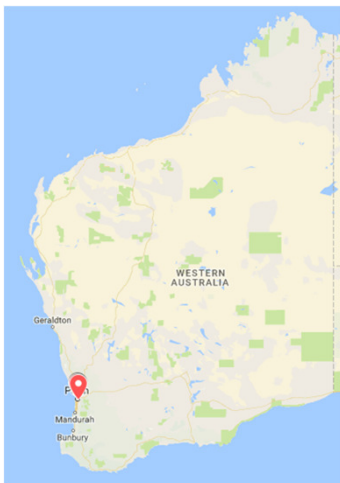


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Tasmania: an example of coordination of amateur and commercial beekeepers

Tasmanian Beekeeping Association

- Three branches
- Beekeepers can join the TBA only or a branch only or both
- If a branch pays two membership of the TBA, Branch can have an executive member on the TBA Executive and two votes at the TBA AGM
- Caters for all beekeepers irrespective of colony numbers
- Only Association in Tasmania

NSW: coordination of amateur beekeepers

NSW Amateur Beekeepers Association established 1954

Growth

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| • 1968 | 6 Branches |
| • 1988 | 7 Branches |
| • 1991 | 8 Branches |
| • 2004 | 7 Branches |
| • 2018 | 21 Branches |

Currently 1700 members with members from NSW, Victoria, Queensland, and Northern Territory

NSW: Structure

- Executive of ten with specific responsibilities
- Four Council meetings per year
- Executive elected at AGM
- Executive meetings as required



The 2017/18 ABA Executive

NSW: Membership fees

- Paid to Association currently \$50 early payment \$40
- The Association also collects any local fees on behalf of clubs
- All membership data is maintained at state level to improve accuracy and reduce local administrative effort
- Association supports Branches with a yearly financial grant
- Support establishment of new Branches with financial grant

NSW: activities of Executive

- Association bi-monthly newsletter for all members
- Held State Conference, trade show and field day
- Website www.beekeepers.asn.au and online shop
- Support for members and branches
- Non-commercial members of AHBIC
- Cooperate with NSW Apiarist Association
- Education: assisted 30 members to complete Certificate III in Beekeeping unit: Managing Pests and Disease within a Honeybee colony, through NSW Smart & Skilled program
- Contact with DPI and support Biosecurity activities; only association to support AFB month and sugar shake month.
- Insurance and member discounts
- Lobbying government on behalf all beekeepers



The 2018 ABA Conference



The 2018 ABA Trade Show



The 2018 Hawkesbury Show



Korean visitors at Illawarra Beekeepers' club house