



Hall Village 'Bee Friendly Community' Charter



We, the community of Hall village and district, are committed to embracing bee friendly practices for the benefit of biodiversity, public health, water and soil health.



We will establish and maintain plantings of pollinator safe habitat in public spaces and in our gardens.



Our beekeepers, the 'Hall Honeys', will collaborate to promote bee health in our community. They will exchange knowledge, abide by the Code of Practice for the Keeping of Bees in Residential Areas of the ACT and work together for the benefit of bees in our region.

We will actively promote awareness of the importance of bees and encourage 'bee friendly' practices, including:

- responsible beekeeping
- 'bee friendly' gardens
- 'bee friendly' pest management
- timely reporting of problems



We will promote awareness of our community's commitment to 'Bee Friendly' practices, acknowledge 'Bee Friendly' gardens, and encourage others to be 'Bee Friendly' through signage (in both public spaces and gardens), information on our web site and social media posts, and articles in Rural Fringe (our community newsletter).



Launch of Hall 'Bee Friendly' Village November 17th 2019



Progress to date: Feb 2020

- over 90 households in our village (more than 90%) that have registered their gardens as "bee friendly". They have installed "Bee Friendly Garden" signs and native bee hotels and receive regular communications on pollinators and actions they can take to promote their health.
- engaged the support of a local indigenous leader to educate and advise us the practices and experiences of the Ngunnawal people in relation to pollinators
- continued to promote community awareness and participation through articles in our community newspaper and through our Hall Honeys mailing list.
- funded projects underway to install 20 native bee hotels in our public reserve spaces, the planting of bee friendly gardens (with appropriate signage) along our main street, and development of the first stage of a "bee friendly" community garden.
- established a community watering vehicle (1000l water container on a trailer) that is being actively used to water vulnerable trees in our public spaces so they get through the current tough conditions.



GET YOUR FREE BEE PACK



In celebration of its 30th Birthday, the Rotary Club of Hall will host a "Bee Friendly Garden Sizzle" in the Hall Park on Sunday 17 November from 12:30pm.

See you at the sizzle... **Hall Honeys** will be on hand to discuss *Bee Friendly Gardening* and all residents are invited to register their gardens as "Bee Friendly" and receive a **free Bee Pack**.

Your pack will consist of:

- a beautiful "Hall Bee Block" Native Bee Hotel (locally designed and hand made by the Hall Mens Shed)
- a "Bee friendly garden" sign
- a guide to *Bee Friendly Gardening*
- a selection of *native plants*

