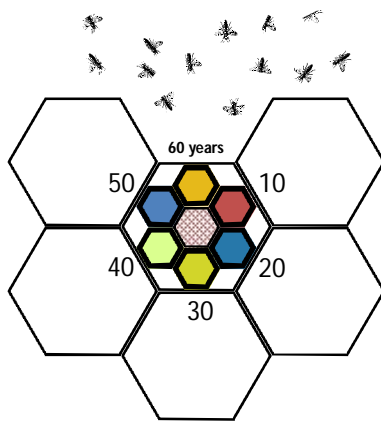


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60th Anniversary 2006

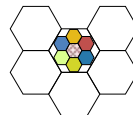




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Cover photograph. Beekeeping in action at Findon Mills, July 2002



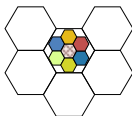
## Introduction

In January 1946 the people of Ross-shire were experiencing the euphoria of feeling free for the first time in years. With the war having ended only months before, men were beginning to make their way home and the Ross-shire Journal was full of notices of the restart of businesses that had been put on hold while their owners were away. Many 'welcome home' groups sprung up, no doubt involved in fund-raising to provide facilities for war weary folk to reconnect with their communities and many were inevitably mourning their sad losses.

But although the war had ended there were still repercussions to be endured one of which was food shortage. In a rural community it was probably easier to be self sufficient than in the city and what better way to get a little extra sweetener in your diet than to keep a few colonies of bees. Beekeepers, during war time, were eligible for an extra sugar ration but it involved the police being responsible for checking that beekeepers had the number of colonies for which they were claiming. Sometime after the war this became the responsibility of local Associations.

No doubt a few of the men who never came home would have been beekeepers and the losses would have been noticeable amongst their beekeeping colleagues. So, what better more natural thing to do than to start, or re-start, a group with the hope of sharing the remaining expertise and try to encourage a younger generation to become proficient in the old craft especially as there was a sugar ration to be had. After all, sugar didn't come off ration until the mid-50s!!

It was in this social climate that Dingwall and District Beekeepers' Association was started on 28th January 1946.



## Resolutions at the Inaugural Meeting on 28th January 1946

It was agreed that the title of the Association shall be "Dingwall and District Beekeepers' Association".

It was agreed that the district within which persons shall be resident to become members of the Association shall be the area extending from Alness Bridge in the north; Garve in the West; the County boundary in the South including the whole of the Black Isle.

The objects of the Association are:-

- (a) To promote the industry of Beekeeping on modern and profitable lines.
- (b) To unite the beekeepers of the district referred to for their mutual benefit.

Any person resident in the district of the Association can become a member on payment of a minimum Annual Subscription of 3/6d, if an adult; or 2/- if a person under the age of 18 years.

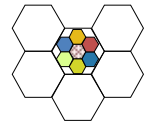
It was agreed that the Executive Committee shall consist of the President, the Vice-President, the Secretary and Treasurer and seven committee members. The quorum for an Executive meeting shall be 5. Vacancies occurring in the Executive Committee during the session shall be filled by co-option by Executive Committee.

It was agreed that the Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held in January of each year. Twelve (12) members shall form a quorum at the Annual General Meetings. Executive Committee meeting dates shall be agreed upon by the President and Secretary according to business requirements.

It was agreed that the Association affiliate to the Scottish Beekeepers Association and take advantage of all the privileges of that connection, including the obtaining of all bee supplies and appliances at reduced rates and the perusal of books on beekeeping from its extensive library.

It was agreed to defer Insurance of members of the Association against Foul Brood Diseases until a reasonable number of members have joined the Association.

*(The Constitution has been altered in various aspects since the above.)*

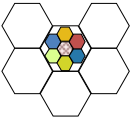


## What else was happening in Ross-shire in the beekeeping world in January/February 1946?

(extracts from the Ross-Shire Journal)

- 11.1.1946 Page 1 RESOLIS BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION. Would members who have not paid the subscription for 1945 kindly remit to the undersigned as early as possible. J.E.Scott, Secretary, Newmills, Balblair.
- 18.1.1946 Page 2 KILTEARN & DISTRICT BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION. Mr. E. P. Jeffree, lecturer for the North of Scotland College of Agriculture to give a talk.
- 18.1.1946 Page 4 Miss Logan will give a series of 5 lectures in the Kinkell Hall on Tuesday evenings and at Marybank on Wednesday evenings.
- 1.2.1946 Page 1 Miss Logan to give a Lecture in Cromarty to CROMARTY BRANCH of INVERNESS-SHIRE BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION.
- 1.2.1946 Page 5 Local Notes. DINGWALL AND DISTRICT BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION. Inaugural resolutions as shown on page 4, word for word.
- 22.2.1946 Page 1 KILTEARN BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION Address by Mr. Clark of Muir of Ord on the Snelgrove method of swarm control.

All these references were found in an attempt to discover if there had been a Dingwall Beekeepers' Group prior to 1946, instigated by a reference in the minutes of a committee meeting held on 4th February 1947 where it stated "since the revival of the Association . . . ". It has been suggested that many Groups started around 1920 when Isle of Wight or Acarine disease was at its height and beekeepers were looking for help and advice to control it. Some of these Groups would have carried on through the war and others, such as our own, may have existed and then were put on hold during wartime.



## Presidents

Mr. Donald MacLennan Redhouse, Burnside, Dingwall  
28.1.1946 - 7.1.1947

Mr. George MacDonald Braegowan, Evanton (elected in his  
absence)  
7.1.1947 - 16.3.1961

Mr. Malcolm Smith Schoolhouse, Maryburgh  
16.3.1961 - 19.3.1964

Col. Angus MacDonald Coul House, Contin  
19.3.1964 - 1967

Mr. William Cameron Heatherlea, Heights of Fodderty  
13.3.1968 - 15.5.1970

Mr. Malcolm Smith Conon Bridge  
13.5.1970 - 24.5.1971

Mr. Donald J. Aird Red Bank, Heights of Keppoch  
24.5.1971 - 15.5.1975

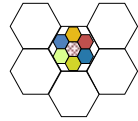
Mr. Tom Stewart Schoolhouse, Muir of Ord  
15.5.1975 - 15.4.1997

Mr. Fred Rattray Shore Croft, Arduillie  
15.4.1997 - present



Newly elected President and longest serving member, Fred Rattray presenting Mr. and Mrs. Stewart with their honorary membership on Tom's retirement from the Presidency after 22 years in Office.

18.6.1997



## Beekeepers' President retires after 22 years

At a recent meeting of the Dingwall and District Beekeepers Association a presentation was made to Mr Thomas Stewart the retiring president.

Tom joined the association on April 18, 1974 as a committee member after moving to Muir of Ord from Inver to take up the post of headmaster of Tarradale School. Little did he expect that at the following AGM, May 1975 he would be elected president, to be re-elected each of the following 22 years.

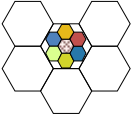
At the association's AGM in April 1997 Tom intimated that he would be standing down and he would be hanging up his veil as president. However he made it quite clear that his interest in the art of beekeeping would not decline and that he as the teacher he has been would always be available to groom the youngsters into the art.

The new president, Mr A Rattray, gave praise to the retiring president and presented both Mr and Mrs Stewart with a scroll honouring their joint loyal services to the Association, making them Honorary Life Members of the Dingwall and District Beekeepers Association. Mrs Ruth Sinclair of Beauly, committee member, presented Mrs Stewart with a floral display and finally Mr Hugh Beaton, vice-president, made the presentation of an electronic clock and radio to Tom Stewart.

In reply Mr Stewart thanked the members for their support over the years and recounted many memorable events. He added, however, a very sobering thought that he had not even contemplated on his retirement. Varroa had now arrived in the Highlands. He said now is the time for all beekeepers to come out of the woodwork and be counted, make yourself known to any beekeeping association in order that as the mite spreads apiarists can all treat our colonies together to fight the plague.

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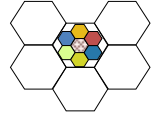




## Vice Presidents

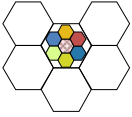
- Mr. John Finlayson 5, Blackwells Street, Dingwall  
26.1.1946 - 7.1.1947
- Mr. J. J. Shanks 11, Wyvis Terrace, Dingwall  
7.1.1947 - 1963
- Mr. David Emerson 'Soroba', Highfield, Muir of Ord  
19.4.1978 - 21.4.1982
- Mrs. Pam Piercy Findon Mills, Culbokie  
21.4.1982 - 19.3.1986
- Mr. Fred Rattray Shore Croft, Ardullie  
19.3.1986 - 15.4.1997
- Mr. Hugh Beaton An Cnoc, Beauly  
15.4.1997 - 18.4.2001
- Mrs. Sarah Grant Mulchaich Schoolhouse, Ferintosh  
18.4.2001 - 17.4.2002
- Mr. John MacColl Auchbeag, Beauly  
17.4.2002 - 21.4.2004
- Mr. Roger Piercy Findon Mills, Culbokie  
21.4.2004 - present





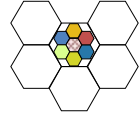
## Secretary/Treasurers

- Mr. John Matheson Police Buildings, Dingwall  
28.1.1946 - 7.1.1947
- Mr. John Ogg Holborn, Dingwall (elected in his absence)  
7.1.1947 - didn't accept
- Mr. J. Finlayson Blackwells Street, Dingwall (after much persuasion)  
4.2.1947 - 16.3.1961
- Mrs. A. Mackenzie Glendonan, Knockfarrel  
16.3.1961 - 15.5.1975
- Mr. A. F. Rattray Shore Croft, Ardullie  
15.5.1975 - 19.3.1986
- Mrs. Pam Piercy Findon Mills, Culbokie  
19.3.1986 - 24.4.1991
- Mr. David Beare Strathpeffer  
24.4.1991 - incomplete year due to illness
- Mrs. Pam Piercy Findon Mills, Culbokie  
1992 - 19.4.1995
- Mr. Arthur Hill Fairfield Apiaries, Orrin Bridge  
19.4.1995 - 26.4.2000
- Mrs. Pam Piercy Findon Mills, Culbokie  
26.4.2000 - present

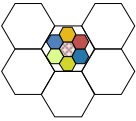


## Seasons

- 1947 Bad winter.
- 1948 The season 1948 can be written down as one of the worst on record, and activities were very much restricted owing to adverse weather.
- 1949 Owing to a poor season in 1948 there were heavy losses in the Spring of 1949. Spring was not favourable and stocks had to be fed. In the first week of June a heat wave commenced. From then until the end of the season every day was a beekeepers' joy.  
All beekeepers enjoyed a very successful season, honey production was one of the best, both as regards clover and heather. A number of colonies yielded over 100lbs each. With the de-control of price, the average price obtained was 3/- - 3/6d for clover and 4/- - 4/6d for heather. At the commencement of the season there was a ready demand for honey but as the season advanced difficulty was experienced in finding a market and beekeepers were left with large quantities on their hands.
- 1950 The season was bad although some heather stocks yielded well with as much as 50lbs.
- 1951 The season can be classed as a complete failure, with little or no surplus. (Second in succession)
- 1952 Third bad year in succession. *"What was most disappointing was the fact that several stocks had to be fed to ensure that they would come through the winter safely."*
- 1956 A very poor season again.
- 28.3.1957 The Secretary Mr. Finlayson had the misfortune of losing all his stocks during the previous winter and in view of his work for the Association was offered bees to get him started again.
- 1958 Clover poor - heather better.
- 1959 The honey season was excellent - one of the best.
- 1960 Disastrous - one of the worst on record for clover and heather.

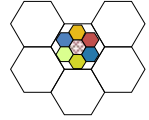


- 1962 Disastrous again.
- 1963 Another disastrous year. Heather poor after the long freeze of the previous winter. *"In short 1963 was perhaps the poorest honey year in living memory - certainly the poorest since 1954."* Miss Logan put colony losses in 1963 at 40%. She estimated that unless colonies were fed up to 30lbs of sugar between October 1963 and May 1964 colony loss could be 50%.
- 1964 Beekeepers procured an average yield with every established colony giving surplus. The best yield verified by Miss Logan was 120lbs.
- 1965 Average of 20lbs. Good conditions made use of Lime tree flowers. Ling yield was small. Season was regarded as 'swarmy' with a high incidence between mid-June and mid-July.
- 1966 North of Scotland College of Agriculture - Highland Area General Report.
- 1967 North of Scotland College of Agriculture - Highland Area General Report.
- 1983 Arrival of oil seed rape.
- 1985 Very poor Summer, lack of surplus, Honey Show cancelled.
- 1986 No Honey Show due to second fairly unproductive summer.
- 1988 Most beekeepers now find their honey laced with oil seed rape which makes extraction difficult and sections virtually impossible.
- 22.4.92 Talk of new spring sown oil seed rape developed in Scotland - oil seed rape all Summer!!
- 1993 Plenty of oil seed rape honey.
- 2000 Poor year for honey production. Some oil seed rape crops had to be destroyed because of contamination with GM seed.
- 2001 Poor year with cold and wet Spring.
- 2003 Good beekeeping season with good honey harvests.
- 2004 Honey season was variable due to localised conditions; some had honey whilst others had none.
- 2005 So-so.



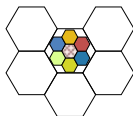
## Diseases

- 22.1.1948 Reference was made to Frow's Formula for Acarine Disease. Later supplied at a cost of 36/- per gross for which members would be charged.
- 24.1.1951 A member of the Association reported the loss of stock as the result of Foul Brood.
- May 1960 Miss Logan found American Foul Brood in two apiaries at Lochussie.
- 1962 Three cases of American Foul Brood (AFB) successfully treated by Miss Logan.
- 1963 Eight cases of AFB located and treated in the Strathpeffer and Contin areas.
- 1964 AFB in Ross-shire - 11 cases.
- 1965 AFB - 8 cases in Dingwall area and several cases of Acarine. Up until this time Sac Brood had been negligible but in 1965 there were a great number of cases.
- 1979 There were several cases of AFB in the area.
- 1980 Mr. Mobus showed an excellent film on 'Varroa'. (Probably the first mention)
- 22.4.1982 Varroa in Devon, Hampshire and Kent; possibly been here for 2 years.
- Autumn 1984 Department of Agriculture did random tests for varroa - still clear.
- September 1995 Bob Simpson announced whilst visiting this area that varroa had been found in Perthshire.
- 1998 Varroa in the Borders.
- 2000 Varroa confirmed in Carrbridge.
- 2001 Varroa established in Fife and Tayside and a foothold in Aberdeenshire.
- August 2003 Varroa in our own area.



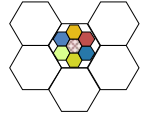
## Education and Membership

- July 1946 Mr. Donald MacLennan gained his Beemasters Certificate in Theory and Practice of Beekeeping. (Certificate held by the Association)
- 4.2.1947 To encourage membership - all members be supplied with a copy of the following booklets published by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries;
1. Beekeeping No. 9
  2. Bee Diseases No. 100
- Cost of the booklets 9d each.
- 11.2.1948 Mr. D. MacLennan, ex President intimated that he was prepared to give two copies of "Digges Practical Bee Guide" as prizes to the members of the Association who should be the medium of obtaining most members to join the Association.
- 22.4.1948 A colour film on beekeeping was hired from Mr. A.R. Cumming , Balnabruich, 89 Culduthel Street, Inverness at a cost of 10/-. It was also shown in Dingwall Academy to pupils at the request of the Rector, Mr. A. W. MacKay.
- 20.1.1949 One copy of "Digges Practical Bee Guide" has been handed to Mr. J.J. Shanks for enrolling the greatest number of new members in the season.
- 25.1.1951 An interesting handbook "The Scottish Beekeepers' Handbook" was supplied to each member free of charge.
- 19.3.1953 Very poor attendance at the AGM for the third year running.
- 18.3.1954 Only six members present. Was it time to wind up the Association?
- 17.3.1955 Poor numbers again - subscriptions suspended but the decision to close Association deferred.
- 15.3.1956 Numbers at AGM improved.
- 1958 - 1959 Numbers poor.
- 1976 Beginners Courses run from November by Mr. Emerson.
- 1981 Four members took Beemaster examinations; Tom Stewart, I. D. Fraser, H. M. Robertson, N. Robertson.
- 1985 Beginners Classes run by Mr. Robertson, Struan Apiaries and Demonstration in April 1986 plus 2 others.
- 1993 Members attended a workshop at Drummondhill, Inverness on Varroa.
- 13.3.2004 Members attended an SBA update on Varroa at Oakridge College (Central Belt). They acquired a good deal of literature on the subject of Integrated Pest Management which was made available to members.
- 2005 Members attended varroa training days at Drummondhill where the Beekeeping Advisor from Auchincruive, Graeme Sharpe, proved as competent at putting his subject across as his forebears, Miss Logan and Bernhard Mobus.



Miss Margaret Logan  
Lecturer in Beekeeping,  
North of Scotland College of Agriculture

- 25.3.1946 It was agreed to ask Miss Logan to give a series of lectures to members at an early date.  
Arranged for 5 consecutive Tuesday evenings between 6th January and 7 February 1947.  
Duly given with lantern slides.
- 21.5.1947 Demonstration given at the Apiary of Kenneth Mackenzie, The Academy on the handling of bees.
- 20.1.1949 Miss Logan gave a lecture on Foul Brood.
- 25.1.1951 Miss Logan addressed the meeting on the subject of "The anatomy of the Honey Bee".
- 18.3.1954 Gave a talk with slides on her tour in South America.
- 15.3.1956 "Swarm Control measures" with slides.
- 20.3.1958 Films "Starting with Bees" and "Modern Beekeeping".
- 19.3.1939 Films "The Honey Bee" and "Bees for Hire".
- 17.6.1959 Summer time demonstration to rekindle interest, at Apiary of Mr. Angus MacDonald, National Bank House. Three members turned up!
- Winter 1960 A series of lectures at Lochussie.
- 17.3.1960 "Heather Honey Production"
- April and May 1961 Demonstrations at Lochussie and Knockfarrel.
- 15.3.1962 Film "Queen Substance" (Field Club invited to attend)
- 19.3.1964 Films "Swarm Control and "Hive of Industry"
- 24.6.1964 Demonstration at Mr. MacDonald's Apiary, Wyvis Terrace.
- 6.5.1965 Demonstration at Mr. MacDonald's Apiary, Wyvis Terrace.  
Queen Marking, Queen Introduction, Brood Spreading.  
Miss Logan's sister from Buenos Aires was present.
- 8.4.1969 Miss Logan's retiral presentation.
- 13.5.1970 A replacement for Miss Logan was being considered.
- After 22.5.1973 She did demonstrations for the Group at Mr. Robertson, Barnyards.
- 18.4.1974 Recorded death of Miss Logan on 18.10.1973.  
It was noted that Miss Logan's beekeeping books in the Borough Library in Inverness are available for beekeepers in the northern counties to make use of. See letter 27.2.1987



## “Beekeeping expert”

A host of friends throughout Ross-shire will be greatly shocked to learn of the sudden demise of Miss Margaret Logan, Newtonville, Muir of Ord former beekeeping expert of the North Of Scotland College of Agriculture, which occurred while on holiday in the Argentine, visiting her sister, Mrs. Kristiansen, on 18th October 1973. Miss Logan was actually attending an Apiculture Congress near Buenos Aires when she suffered a heart attack and died in hospital in the Province of Buenos Aires the following day.

Throughout her years with the North of Scotland College of Agriculture, Miss Logan did admirable work in developing a valuable rural industry in all the Highland Counties. Her missionary zeal and enterprise in fostering practical interest in bees and honey bore ever increasing fruit. Wherever hives were to be seen, from Inverness to the far North, it was a surety that Miss Logan knew about them and that her advice had been asked, season after season, with beneficial results.

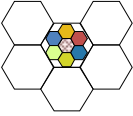
Hailing from Ardrross, Margaret Logan was educated at Tain Royal Academy, and with a pronounced agricultural background, naturally gravitated to Craibstone School, Aberdeen, where under the guidance of Dr. John Anderson, she took the expert bee-masters' certificate. Her results in beecraft were so remarkable that Dr. Anderson determined to have her on the College staff and in 1938 she became assistant lecturer with headquarters in Craibstone.

Whenever possible, she recommended the formation of associations which could do much to keep interest alive, nor was she forgetful of the development of beekeeping and honey production in the widely-scattered crofting areas of the Western Highlands. The ideal demonstrator, she examined from six hundred to seven hundred colonies of bees every year.

In her retirement she continued to give of her vast experience to several groups of her beekeeping friends.

Miss Logan is survived by her sister Mrs. Kristiansen; her brother Alistair died some years ago, survived by his widow, Mrs. Marian Logan, Firthview, Invergordon, and her family. To all sympathy is extended in their sudden bereavement.

*Reproduced from the obituary in the Ross-shire Journal 1st November 1973*



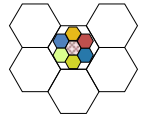
Mr. Bernhard Mobus  
Advisor, Beekeeping Department,  
North of Scotland College of Agriculture, Craibstone

- 10.3.1976 Introduced to the Group. Showed films and answered questions ranging from American Foul Brood to Common Market regulations. Mr. Mobus would do Queen rearing demonstrations at Mr. Stewart's apiary, Muir of Ord, at a date to be arranged.
- 1981 Demonstration at Mr. Hill's apiary in Contin in May and at Mr. Reid's apiary in August.
- 1983 Mr. Mobus was at three meetings during the year.
- 1984 Mr. Mobus attended three meetings during the year including the Honey Show which he judged.
- 1985 Mr. Mobus attended four meetings.
- 1986 Mr. Mobus attended three meetings, missing a fourth due to an accident.  
There was an indication that the College may cut Mr. Mobus's visits.
- December 1987 Final visit from Mr. Mobus.

Apart from being an excellent and conscientious advisor, Mr. Mobus produced an excellent quarterly journal which is still being referred to and gave a good deal of in-depth advice.

Mr. Mobus later moved to France and then more recently in 2002 the Secretary found he was living in Angus. She wrote to him and his wife, Joanne, and received a newsy letter back indicating that Bernhard was still pleased to hear of his colleagues in the north.





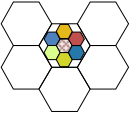
## 50th Anniversary



Guests D. Aird and A. Shanks with committee members,  
A. Hill, R. Sinclair, H. Beaton, A.F. Rattray, P. Piercy, T. Stewart,  
J. McColl, A. Rose, N. MacFadyen

Tarradale Primary School, Muir of Ord 24.4.1996





## Trophies

1978

MacKenzie Cup - “ a beautiful trophy made and presented to the Association by Mr. MacKenzie, Wester Urray, Muir of Ord, to be competed for annually” It is to be presented to the member with most points in the annual Honey Show.

(This trophy was donated by Mr. Duncan MacKenzie and is a turned wooden cup which originally had a carved wooden bee mounted on the lid. Unfortunately the bee inevitably got damaged and a plain replacement lid was made by James MacKenzie, his brother.)

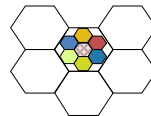
21.4.1982

The McCreath Taylor Shield was donated by a local company at the instigation of Mr. David Emerson to be awarded for the best Exhibit in the show.

16.3.1983

Mr. Emerson offered a small shield to be called the McCreath Taylor Trophy for Baking to be presented for the best baking exhibit containing honey.





## Trophy winners

### MacKenzie Cup

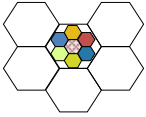
1978 Mr. H. Robertson	1991 Mr. J. A. McColl
1979 Mr. Wells & Mr. Hossack	1992 Mrs. R. Sinclair
1980 Mr. T. Stewart	1993 Mrs. R. Sinclair
1981 Mr. Stout	2001 Mr. J. A. McColl
1982 Mr. H. Robertson	2002 Mr. J. A. McColl
1983 Mr. T. Stewart	2003 Mr. J. A. McColl
1990 Mr. J. A. McColl	2004 Mr. J. A. McColl

### MacCreath Taylor Shield

1982 Mrs. P. Piercy	1993 Mr. A. Rose
1983 Mrs. P. Piercy	2001 Mr. J. MacColl
1990 Mr. H. Beaton	2002 Mr. J. MacColl
1991 Mr. J. MacColl	2003 Mr. A. Rattray
1992 Mrs. N. MacFadyen	2004 Mr. A. Rattray

### MacCreath Taylor Trophy for Baking with honey

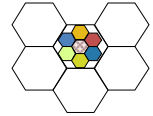
1983 Mrs. J. Stewart	1993 Mrs. A. Hill
1984 Mrs. P. Piercy	2001 Mr. A. Rose
1990 Mr. J. MacColl	2003 Mr. A. Rose
1991 Mrs. J. Stewart	2004 Mr. A. Rose
1992 Mr. A. Rose	



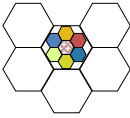
## Members who have held office in Dingwall and District

### Beekeepers' Association

John Finlayson	5, Blackwells Street, Dingwall	1946 - 1958
Donald MacLennan	Red House, Burnside, Dingwall	1946 - 1950
John Matheson	Police Buildings, Dingwall	1946 - 1947
George MacDonald	Ben View, Evanton	1946 - 1962
Kenneth MacKenzie	The Academy, Dingwall	1946 - 1956
William Cockburn	Bon Accord, Dingwall	1946 - 1955
John Ogg	Holburn, Dingwall	1946 - 1960
James J. Shanks	11, Wyvis Terrace, Dingwall	1946 - 1963
James Mackay	Warden Street, Dingwall	1946 - 1947
Donald Fraser	Hedgefield Drive	1946 - 1960
John Campbell	Langwell, Achany Road, Dingwall	1947
William Gifford	Brahan	1948 - 1956
Rev. I Muirden	F.C. Maryburgh	1948 - 1949
John Munro	3, Albert Place, Dingwall	1948 - 1949
Mrs. Stewart Brahan		1949 - 1951
J. MacDonald	42, Fingal Road, Dingwall	1949 - 1960
Alick Shanks	Dingwall	1951 - 1970
Lieut-Colonel Angus MacDonald	Coul House, Contin	1956 - 1967
Mr. D. Smith		1957 - 1960
William MacDonald	30, Burns Crescent, Dingwall	1957 - 1968
	Wyvis Terrace, Dingwall	1969 - 1970
Mr. M. Smith	Schoolhouse, Maryburgh	1962 - 1970
Mrs. A. MacKenzie	Glendonan, Knockfarrel	1961 - 1976
Mr. M. MacPherson	Schoolhouse, Evanton	1961 - 1962
Mr. T. MacIver	The Stables, Evanton	1961 - 1962
Mr. R. MacNab	Simpson Place, Dingwall	1961 - 1962
Mr. Cameron	Heatherley, Heights of Fodderty	1961 - 1974
Mr. E. Kemp	Mackays Hotel, Strathpeffer	1963 - 1967
Rev. D. MacLeod	Conon Bridge	1963 - 1967
Mr. D. Aird	Red Bank, Heights of Keppoch	1963 - 1985
Mr. F. Rattray	Waterloo	1968 - present
Jimmy Mackenzie	Maryburgh	1968 - 1993
Mr. Taylor	Munlochy	1968 - 1969
Mr. D. Morrison	Dewar Square	1968 - 1969
Ian MacLeod	Alness	1968 - 1969
Mr. Ambrose	Garve	1970 - 1971
Mr. Ambrose	Muir of Ord	1977 - 1983
Mrs. Robertson	Bellevue, Conon Bridge	1971 - 1974



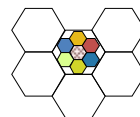
Mr. Urquhart	Achterneed	1972 - 1974
Mr. Ross	Evanton	1972 - 1983
Tom Stewart	Tarradale School, Muir of Ord	1973 - 1996
Mr. Isbister	Bridge Croft, Culbokie	1975 - 1977
Mr. MacRae	Humberston, Dingwall	1975 - 1976
Mr. MacRae	Maryburgh	1977 - 1978
Mr. Emerson	Muir of Ord	1978 - 1981
Hamish Robertson	Conon Bridge	1978 - 1988
Pam Piercy	Easter Kinkell & Culbokie	1978 - present
Ian Fraser	Muir of Ord	1978 - 1981
Mr. Hossack	Strathpeffer	1980 - 1986
Mr. Stout	Fortrose	1980 - 1983
Arthur Hill	Dingwall & Orrin Bridge	1981 - 2000
David Wells	Muir of Ord	1984 - 1993
Hugh Williamson	Coldholme, Fortrose	1984 - 1988
Alastair Rose	Craiglea, Culbokie	1984 - present
Mrs. Galbraith	Bruaich Cottage, Kiltarlity	1984 - 1988
Noelle MacFadyen	Ferintosh	1986 - present
Mrs. Thow	Proby Street, Maryburgh	1986 - 1988
John MacColl	Beauly	1986 - present
Ruth Sinclair	Beauly	1989 - 1997
John Durkin	Mulbuie	1990 - 1991
David Beare	Strathpeffer	1991 - 1993
Sarah Grant	Ferintosh	1991 - 2001
Charles Ross	North Kessock	1991 - 1993
Georgie Gunia	North Kessock	1994 - 1995
Hugh Fraser Beaton	Beauly	1994 - 2000
Ray Khan	Lentran	1996 - 2003
Ken Mackenzie	Loch Ussie	1998 - present
Angus MacKenzie	Kinkell	1998 - present
Susan Morrison (MacWilliam)	Orrin Bridge	1998 - 2001
Ross Maxwell	Contin	2000 - 2003
George Souden	Evanton	2001 - present
Roger Piercy	Culbokie	2004 - present
Roger Boulton	Kishorn	2004 - 2005
Rowland Jackson	Contin	2004 - 2005
Betty Ramsay	Jamestown	2005 - present



## Membership 1954

1.	D. Fraser	Hedgefield	Dingwall
2.	J. Ogg	Bridgend Avenue	Dingwall
3.	Mr. Emil Kemp	Mackays Hotel	Strathpeffer
4.	Mr. J. MacDonald	42, Fingal Road	Dingwall
5.	Mr. William Cockburn	Caberfeidh Terrace	Dingwall
6.	Mr. George MacDonald	Braegowan	Evanton
7.	Mr. Ken Mackenzie	Strathpeffer Road	Dingwall
8.	Mr. J. Finlayson	5, Blackwell's Street	Dingwall
9.	Miss J. M. Campbell	Dornie, Achiltibuie	Garve
10.	Miss L. Murchison	Ord,	Strathpeffer
11.	Mr. A. Shanks	11, Wyvis Terrace	Dingwall
12.	Mr. J. J. Shanks	11, Wyvis Terrace	Dingwall
13.	Mr. T. MacIver	22, Davidson Drive	Dingwall
14.	Miss E. O. Armstrong	Drynzie Farm	Dingwall
15.	Mr. Colin Fraser	Beaufort, Culbokie	Conon Bridge
16.	Mr. J. Campbell	Langwell, Achany Road	Dingwall
17.	Mr. W. J. Ross L.D.S.	19a, High Street	Dingwall
18.	Mr. H. MacRae	The Schoolhouse, Ferintosh	Dingwall
19.	Mr. D. MacDonald	Westcott	Dingwall
20.	Mr. J. Fraser	12, Mill Street	Dingwall
21.	Miss M. MacGregor	Ardival Farm	Strathpeffer
22.	Mr. James Chisholm	Kilcoy	Killearnan
23.	Mr. M. MacPherson	The Schoolhouse	Evanton
24.	Mr. J. MacDonald	8, Pefferly Road	Dingwall
25.	Mr. D. Scott	Lymlea, Woodlands Road	Dingwall

This list of members from 1954 was passed to the Group by Mr. A. Shanks. It reflects the local nature of the Group. These days our membership is spread much wider covering an area from Dingwall to the West Coast and including the Black Isle. Our neighbouring groups are Easter Ross (Tain) and Inverness.



## Venues for Meetings

28.1.1946	A.R.P. Recreation Rooms, Inchvannie Court, Dingwall.
25.3.1946	Town Buildings at Dingwall.
25.11.1946	Burgh Court House, Dingwall.
4.2.1947	Public Assistance Office
11.2.1948	Public Assistance Office
1948 - 1956	College of Agriculture Meeting Room, North of Scotland Bank Building, 5 High Street, Dingwall.
20.9.1955	Social Welfare Offices - to decide on future of the Group.
1957 - 1968	Old Academy, Dingwall
1969	Royal Hotel, Dingwall.
13.5.1970	Temperance Café.
24.5.1971 - 1976	Old Academy, Dingwall.
20.4.1977 - present	Tarradale School, Muir of Ord

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