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Mr Barry Mead,
Deputy Principal,
Bay of Plenty Community College,
Private Bag,
TAURANGA.

Dear Mr Mead, Re: National Certificate of Beekeeping Course.

You are probably aware that for the past two years the National Beekeepers Association have established and worked to an 'Industry Plan', devised through the system of Management by Objectives.

We are now at the stage of undertaking the first major review of our progress to date, and to look forward with planning for the next year or so. To this end, a further meeting is to be held at Flock House later this month.

One of the most important objectives we arrived at in the course of our first meeting in 1984 was to 'Improve Beekeeper Education'. The establishment of the National Certificate in Beekeeping course at your College, has been one of the most significant factors in working towards this long term goal. I felt it appropriate therefore, as an N.B.A. representative on the Certificate Course Committee, to express our appreciation for the efficient and professional manner in which this course has been established for the benefit of our industry.

In particular, I would like to commend the efforts of your Beekeeping Tutor, Mr Nick Wallingford, who has applied himself wholeheartedly to the setting-up of the Course. With the obvious support of senior College administrators, Nick has achieved a most successful result for what has proved to be a somewhat complex task. This was made obvious to us during a meeting of the Certificate Committee at the College late last year, when Nick's command of the Wang computer was clearly demonstrated.

I understand that the use of a computer in administering a distance-education course represents something of a break-through, and the Beekeeping Industry should benefit greatly from this educational opportunity.

We are also pleased that Nick Wallingford can attend our forthcoming ^{meeting} at Flock House, as we value his expertise and judgement in matters of beekeeper education. We look forward to a continuing and mutually beneficial association with Nick, and the Community College.

Yours faithfully,

A. J. McCaw
Allen J. McCaw
Vice President
National Beekeepers Assoc. of N.Z. Inc.

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Nick,

Copy of this for your info. - hope it is of some use, and not too late.

See you on the 19th - some more info should reach you about Flock House very shortly.

Regards,

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