

What's the Buzz?

with Deez L'Town Beez

Hello friends and fellow keepers!

'Tis the Season...

Beekeeping is one of those hobbies that keeps a body entertained and moving on a daily basis. From the beginning of Spring when the bees begin to fly and the flowers begin to bloom, to the winter slow-down which means it's time to paint and repair hive bodies and order stock for the coming season. The keeper is in a state of perpetual buzzyness, much like our sweet charges. It is what many think of as the middle of the season. For me, it's the beginning of a stress-filled time of constant delay of best-laid plans. The bees and the weather dictate the next step in our operation. While in another keeper's hives earlier this week, we saw they are building up fast. Lots of brood (baby bees) and burning through resources (pollen and honey) to feed all those babies and keep them warm. It's the most nerve-wracking but exciting time of the season for me. So far, blooms are (at minimum) ten days earlier than normal. The crocus, daffodils, and dandelion as well as red maple are already sending out pollen, therefore we are on the edge of ramping up for the season. Likely the end of March first of April will see us dealing with the beginning of splits and preventing/catching swarms. If you are a beekeeper, get ready! If you are a honey lover or allergy sufferer, we've still got some local honey and stand by for the new late spring harvest. It's right around the corner.

Flexibility is a Must!

Springtime in Southern Maryland is like a box of chocolates (ya never know what you're gonna get!) so patience and flexibility are key. When today's weather doesn't comply with our plans, we rearrange our lives to manage our bees. We acquiesce to the weather while praying our bees don't starve before we can tend to them while we wait for the nectar flow to begin. At a recent ASMB Beginner Beekeeper Class, potential inclement weather and room changes turned the day upside-down. It was a good reminder to students that, "flexibility is a pre-requisite for becoming a beekeeper." Yet another of the myriad of reasons why we must be accommodating in this beautiful, amazing hobby.

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STUFF YOU'RE DEFINITELY GOING TO WANT TO KNOW ABOUT



Beekeepers Luncheon
The Real Food Studio -
Leonardtwn (buy your own)
March 10th, 12pm



ASMB March Meeting and Meet & Greet Social
Prince Frederick Library, Rm 1
March 16th, meeting 8am - 11
social 11:30 - 1:30



Spring Fun on the Farm & Vendor Show
Serenity Farm - Benedict, MD
April 27th, 10-4pm



**Annmarie Sculpture Gardens
Maker's Market**
Mother's Day / Rose Soiree Event
May 11th, 9-12pm / 2-7pm



Spring Nucs are available on our [Website](#). Bee sure to read the important info regarding delivery/pick-up process.



RECYCLE & REUSE
Bring back your whipped honey jar and get \$1 off your next jar.



Nucs and Splits Classes at Deez Apiary
Date TBD, weather dependent



EAS 2024 (Eastern Apicultural Society) Turf Valley, MD
August 2024

From Our Hive to
Yours. Happy Keeping!