

# What's the Buzz?

with DeeZ L'Town Beez

*Hello friends and fellow keepers!*

## Bee Safe Out There Friends

The heat of summer is upon us and it's almost too hot to be outside taking care of the bees. Remember, SAFETY FIRST! Heat stroke is a real thing. Medical emergencies are not part of beekeeping - preparedness is. Take your water, phone, and inform someone that you are going out to the apiary. Maybe even take a pop-up tent to put over yourself while working. If you stop sweating, there's a problem. Get inside immediately and get hydrated. Beekeeping is more fun with a friend! Take someone with you or try to go out in the early morning when it's cooler. The goal is to have fun, safely.

When it's too hot to have fun outside, take the opportunity to prepare some exhibits for the upcoming fairs. The Annual Conference for the EAS (Eastern Apicultural Society) will be the first big conference we've had in our region for quite some time. I encourage you to take a look at their class schedules and find something that suits your educational goals and join us at the conference. There will also be a honey show (see the link at the bottom of their main page), so bring your goods with you.

## Honey for Money

To help you get your fair entries ready, follow the Maryland Fair Catalog. You can then rework your items using your scorecards for entry in the Maryland State Fair. The tri-county fairs follow these same guidelines. Every year, I earn over \$500 for my fair exhibits...you can too!! But as you know, you must enter to win!! Honey, photography, art, cosmetics, mead, etc. There are so many categories to choose from! Check for classes, then follow the judges' guidelines and criteria for Honey Show Entry Preparation and Judging Criteria.



*Good luck to you all.*

*I hope to see you at any or all of these wonderful showcasing events for honey bees and beekeeping.*

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## STUFF YOU'RE DEFINITELY GOING TO WANT TO KNOW

-  **Mully's Dog Days of Summer Sip & Shop**  
Mully's Taproom, Prince Frederick  
July 20th, 1-6pm
-  **Insectival - Annmarie Gardens**  
Contact Diane if you'd like to volunteer  
July 20th, 9-1pm
-  **Beekeeping for a Day Class at DeeZ Apiary**  
Weather Permitting  
July 21st, 3:30-5:30pm
-  **Buy Local Challenge**  
Serenity Farm  
July 29th, 5-8pm
-  **RECYCLE & REUSE**  
Bring back your whipped honey jar and get \$1 off your next jar.

## Deez YouTube Shorts

- Queen honey bee gets voted off the island
- How to keep honey bees out of your swimming pool

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Yours. Happy Keeping!