

Virginia State Beekeepers Association Conference Fall 2026

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KEY All Levels Beekeeper Health Honey Show MBP TESTING Everyone

THU, OCT 15				
Time	123			
3:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Honey Show Entries Accepted Tim Hyde			
FRI, OCT 16				
Time	104	123	224	225/226
8:00 AM – 9:30 AM		Honey Show Entries Accepted Tim Hyde · 8:00 AM–9:30 AM		
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM	Registration, Vendors & Coffee Vendor Hall		Registration, Vendors & Coffee Vendor Hall	
9:30 AM – 10:30 AM	Yellow Legged Hornets: An Emerging New Threat Dr. Jamie Ellis	Honey Show Closed for Judging Tim Hyde · 9:30 AM–5:30 PM		
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Break & Vendors Vendor Hall		Break & Vendors Vendor Hall	Master Beekeeper Testing (Master Level Only) John Davis · 10:30 AM–1:30 PM
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Drinking from the Magic Well: The Utility, Novelty & Wonder of Investigating Honey Bee Waggle Dances Dr. Maggie Couvillon			
12:00 PM – 1:45 PM	Lunch Break & Vendors Food Trucks		Lunch Break & Vendors Food Trucks	
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	More Than Honey: Building Community Through Beekeeping Dr. Hollee Freeman · 2:00 PM–3:00 PM		Sting: Allergy & Anaphylaxis Dr. Joshua Jakum · 2:00 PM–3:00 PM	Master Beekeeper Testing (Apprentice & Journeyman) John Davis · 2:30 PM–5:30 PM
2:30 PM – 5:30 PM				
3:00 PM – 3:20 PM	Break & Vendors Vendor Hall		Break & Vendors Vendor Hall	
3:20 PM – 4:20 PM	Honey Bee Practical Anatomy Fred Dunn			
4:30 PM – 5:30 PM	Get a Handle on Your Queen: Location, Handling, Management & Choosing a Queen Dr. James Wilson			
5:45 PM – 7:00 PM	Vendor Reception & Networking at Mountain Run Winery			

SAT, OCT 17

Time	104	123	224	225/226
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Coffee & Vendors Open Vendor Hall			
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Toward Sustainable Beekeeping Dr. Jamie Ellis			Master Beekeeper Testing (Apprentice & Journeyman) John Davis · 9:00 AM–12:00 PM
10:00 AM – 10:15 AM	Honey Show Awards Tim Hyde			
10:15 AM – 10:45 AM	Break & Vendors Vendor Hall	Honey Show Open Tim Hyde · 10:15 AM–2:00 PM	Break & Vendors Vendor Hall	
10:45 AM – 12:00 PM	Sweet Medicine From the Hive Kaylee Richardson		Lyme Disease Dr. Tam Ly	
12:00 PM – 1:45 PM	Lunch Break & Vendors Food Trucks		Lunch Break & Vendors Food Trucks	
1:45 PM – 2:45 PM	How to Attract, Collect, Hive & Keep Swarms from Absconding Fred Dunn · 1:45 PM–2:45 PM	Honey Show Entry Pick Up Tim Hyde · 2:00 PM–4:00 PM	Heat, Humidity & Heavy Lifting: How to Keep Healthy in Your Apiary Dr. Joshua Jakum & Dr. Mansi Khambhati · 1:45 PM–2:45 PM	
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM				
2:45 PM – 3:00 PM	Break & Vendors Vendor Hall		Break & Vendors Vendor Hall	
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Business Meeting & Grand Prize Drawing Kristine Smith			
4:00 PM – 4:15 PM	Master Beekeeping Awards John Davis			
4:15 PM – 5:00 PM	Q&A with Dr. Jamie Ellis Dr. Jamie Ellis · 104			
5:00 PM – 5:30 PM	Raffle Drawing 104			
	Adjourn Kristine Smith · 104			

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