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Form **990-EZ****Short Form****Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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2014

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Internal Revenue Service

▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.

▶ Information about Form 990-EZ and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

A For the 2014 calendar year, or tax year beginning August 1, 2014, and ending July 31, 20 15

B Check if applicable:
☐ Address change
☐ Name change
☐ Initial return
☐ Final return/terminated
☐ Amended return
☐ Application pending

C Name of organization
Worcester County Beekeepers Association, Incorporated
Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
105 Ball Street
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
Northboro, MA 01532

D Employer identification number
04-3128712

E Telephone number
508 (978) 826-5599

F Group Exemption Number ▶

G Accounting Method ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual Other (specify) ▶

H Check ☐ if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

I Website: ▶ **worcestercountybeekeepers.com**

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) — ☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) () ◀ (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

K Form of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ▶ \$ **28058**

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I ☒

		1	2	3	4	5a	5b	5c	6a	6b	6c	6d	7a	7b	7c	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received																											
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts																											
	3	Membership dues and assessments																											
	4	Investment income																											
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory																											
	5b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses																											
	5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)																											
	6	Gaming and fundraising events																											
	6a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)																											
	6b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)																											
6c	Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events																												
6d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)																												
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances																												
7b	Less: cost of goods sold																												
7c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)																												
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)																												
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8																												
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)																											
	11	Benefits paid to or for members																											
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits																											
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors																											
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance																											
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping																											
	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)																											
	17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16																											
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)																											
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)																											
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)																											
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20																											

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Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II ☐

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	19329	22 21734
23 Land and buildings		23
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	372	24 223
25 Total assets	19701	25 21957
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)		26
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	19701	27 21957

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III ☐**Expenses**

(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations; optional for others.)

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? Education General Public about bees and beekeeping

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

28 <u>Dues provides a means to pay for speakers usually speakers have doctorate in entomology to educate member and any person who wants to attend about beekeeping issues regarding colony collapses disorder stemming from diseases, herbicides and pesticides and new best practices for beekeeping</u> (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	28a
29 <u>Worcester County Beekeepers conducts beeschool open to the general public. This is an eight week curriculum for people who want to become beekeepers. The costs is \$30 which includes course material. This continues in the spring and summer with on hand demonstrations at live hives</u> (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	29a
30 <u>Through education and training, we prepare individuals in the beekeeping trade to help pollinate crops and provide food, honey, in a safe and sustainable manner</u> (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	30a
31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O) (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	31a
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated—see the instructions for Part IV)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV ☐

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
Mary Duane President	20	None	None	None
Kathy DeGraff Vice President	20	None	None	None
Philip Gaudette Treasurer	15	None	None	None
Barbara MacPhee Secretary	10	None	None	None
Richard Callahan Director	5	None	None	None
Elizabeth Joseph Director	5	None	None	None
John Collins Director	5	None	None	None
Evelyn Schraft Director	5	None	None	None
Max Seagle Director	5	None	None	None
Dean Stiglitz Director	5	None	None	None

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V ☐

Yes No

33	Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O	33		✓
34	Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)	34		✓
35a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?	35a		✓
b	If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	35b		
c	Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	35c		
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N	36		✓
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ 37a			
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	37b		✓
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?	38a		✓
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	38b		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:			
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	39a		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities	39b		
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ ; section 4912 ▶ ; section 4955 ▶			
b	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	40b		✓
c	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶			
d	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶			
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T	40e		✓
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ Massachusetts			
42a	The organization's books are in care of ▶ Phillip Gaudette Telephone no. ▶ (978) 826-5599 Located at ▶ 105 Ball Street, Northboro, MA ZIP + 4 ▶ 01532			
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).	42b		✓
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the U.S.? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶	42c		✓
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here ▶ ☐ and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 43			
44a	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44a		✓
b	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44b		✓
c	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?	44c		✓
d	If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	44d		✓
45a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	45a		✓
b	Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions)	45b		✓

- 46** Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I

	Yes	No
46		☒

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47–49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI ☐

- 47** Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II
- 48** Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E
- 49a** Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?
- b** If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?
- 50** Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

	Yes	No
47		☒
48		☒
49a		☒
49b		☐

(a) Name and title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
None				

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶

- 51** Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
none		

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ▶

- 52** Did the organization complete Schedule A? **Note.** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A ☐ Yes ☒ No

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here ▶ Philip Gaudette Signature of officer Date 1-10-17

▶ Philip Gaudette Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check ☐ if self-employed	PTIN
Firm's name ▶	Firm's EIN ▶			
Firm's address ▶	Phone no			

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions ☐ Yes ☐ No

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Name of the organization

Worcester County Bekeepers Association, Incorporated

Employer identification number

04-3128712

Other Expenses part I Line 16

Below is an item labeled Variance. This figure is a figure that was created to reconcile beginning and ending assets after income and expenses were applied. This was caused due to poor record keeping and there are no other records available to determine the discrepancies. This club is run by unpaid volunteer officers. There are no paid employees or professionals and as a result, due to turnover of the officers from year to year records have been lost and poorly kept as no one has accounting knowledge. In addition, no one was aware that Forms 990 and State Annual Reports were required to be filed. New officers discovered this problem and we are trying to correct the situation by filing late. The club hopes to prevent this in the future by hiring a professional CPA Firm to complete the tax returns.

These are the figures for line 16 other expenses

Jars 18508

T shirts 1641

News Letters 1259

Bank Charges (2)

Bee School 2122

Supplies 444

Dues & Subscriptions 321

Library 46

Events Meals 7213

Misc 212

Speakers 4292

Fair 1297

Donation 1600

Rent 1200

Insurance 972

Depreciation 149

Variance (15472)

Total Assets 25802

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Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) (2014)

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

Worcester County Bekeepers Association, Incorporated

04-3128712

Beginning of Year Assets

Cash 19329

Computer 372

Assets End Year 19701

Income 28058

Expenses 25802

Year End assets 21957

Assets at Year End

Cash 21734

Computer 223

Assets End Year 21957

Other Assets per Part II Line 24

Computer Purchased 2/13/113 775

Less Acc Depr 552

Computer less Acc Depr 223