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# EJ'S NEWS

EJ is East Jefferson Beekeepers Association's Mascot.

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## **CLUB MEETING**

**July 11th**

**held at**

**Jefferson County Library**

**Board meeting 9:00 a.m.**

**Club Meeting 9:30 a.m.**

## **APPRENTICE CLASSES**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Sat. July 11th**

**Class # 10**

**Sat. July 25th.**

**Class # 7**

## **E.J.Bees' Club PROGRAM**

**For Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup>**

**The July program will be Janolyn Keller on**

**"Things to do with Bee's Wax"**

**As we look toward August's program,  
Because of the county fair on the second weekend,  
our meeting will be held on the first Saturday...August 1<sup>st</sup>.**

### **Topic will be:**

**"Ways to control mites in your hives"**

**Since the health of your bees is especially important as we prepare our hives for the winter season, we feel it is important to present the options we have as conscientious beekeepers.**

## **APPRENTICE CLASSES**

**July 11<sup>th</sup>- Pollination, Queen Rearing, Marketing**

**July 25th- Fall Management**

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## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

President: Tony Goldenberg

Vice President: Diane Ginther

Secretary: David Morris

Treasurer: Harry Prather

### TRUSTEES

Frank Neal

Dan Lockhart

Linda Pfafman

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## Ej bees' workers

These people have volunteered to head committees:

**APPRENTICE CLASSES:** Harry Prather

**NEWSLETTER:** Gloria Neal

**MEDIA CONTACT:** Bonnie Osmer

**WEBSITE:** Mike Edwards

### MEETING AND ACTIVITY

#### CO-ORDINATORS:

Tony Goldenberg, Harry Prather, and Gloria Neal

**MEETING CONVENER:** Kees Kloff

# LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

## EJ Beekeepers...

Beekeeping offers a fascinating and desirable pursuit for many of us who call ourselves beekeepers.

It offers us mild exercise to hard work according to the extent we get involved!

It also offers us happy days of working in the open air... spring thru fall, and a minimum of effort on the colder rainy days and through the winter.

Besides being such a pleasurable hobby, there are other rewards we look forward to:

Pollination of our crops

Some of the best tasting honey around

Health benefits of local honey

Bees wax with an unending amount of things it can be used for!

The comradeship of other beekeepers, who's main goals in beekeeping is to keep our bees healthy and get through another winter with all of our colonies strong and alive!

Ej Bees is a great group of people who have a common interest in sharing their knowledge with anyone who has an interest in honey bees, and I am happy to be a small part of it!

**Well, that's the buzz for July,**

*Gloria*

## WSU DIAGNOSTIC LAB WEBSITE

[entomology.wsu.edu/apis/diagnostic-lab/](http://entomology.wsu.edu/apis/diagnostic-lab/)

# BUZZ WORTHY PLANTS FOR JULY...



- Cucumber
- Winter Squash
- Summer squash
- Oregano
- Mints
- Lavender
- Borage----->
- Russian Sage



### CLUB DUES FOR 2015

DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR CLUB MEMBERSHIP WITH EAST JEFFERSON BEES,  
IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY  
DONE IT.

## **JULY'S HONEY-DO LIST**

### **For the Apiary**

**This is the time of year when you're colonies are buzzing with life...the honey flow season. Your colonies will reach peak population this time of year!**

**Giving your bees a good water source close by as we go through these months of very little rain is a good idea. They need that water to help cool the colony along with keeping the colony hydrated. They will be more apt to leave your neighbors kiddy pool or dog dishes alone. Be sure to place some rocks for them to land on, so they aren't falling in and drowning.**

**It may be time to add a honey super to give your bees more room. You may want to add a queen excluder under your super, especially if the comb is drawn out already. Continue to add honey supers to your strong colonies as needed. The main honey flows are winding down this month.**

**If you see a curtain of bees on the front of your hive on a warm day, this is normal...they are just cooling the hive or themselves.**

**Don't forget to keep grease patties on your colonies. It is a holistic soft treatment that seems to have an impact on the control of tracheal mites. An informative website on grease patties, essential oils, and recipes is:**

**[beesource.com](http://beesource.com)**

**If you have just started a honey bee colony this year, continue to feed your bees until they have drawn out the second story brood box, and have ample food supplies.**

# JULY RECIPE



## RHUBARB CRUMBLE

4 CUPS CUT RHUBARB

1 1/2 TBSP. Tapioca

3/4 tsp. Cinnamon

1/2 cup Honey

Topping:

3/4 c uncooked Oats

1/3 cup Honey

2 tsp. Lemon juice

1/4 c melted Butter

Grease 2 qt. baking dish.

Place rhubarb in baking dish. Mix flour and cinnamon over rhubarb. Drizzle 1/2 cup honey over mixture.

Combine oats, honey, lemon juice, and melted butter.

Sprinkle over rhubarb mixture. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes or until rhubarb is done.

Serve with vanilla ice cream.



# BUZZING WITH



# Blake

## Bee-lieve me. It's a fact!

A young, vigorous queen bee can lay her own body weight in eggs every day! ..... Bee-yond Bee-lief

Blake



## LOCAL BEE RESOURCES

**TARBOO VALLEY WOODEN WARE- Ph. # 360-301-0686**

**All 8 frame woodenware**

**20% off marked price.**

**Remember, Club members get 5% discount.**

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