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HVHB December 8, 2010

Our next meeting will be at 8pm on Wednesday, December 8 at the Derby in Poughkeepsie.

HVHB November 10, 2010

The Hudson Valley Homebrewers held their 21st Anniversary Party at the Gunk Haus in Clintondale, NY. Needless to say, a good time was had by all. The Gunk Haus served some particularly tasty appetizers and desserts.

President Tom Folster kept the business part of the meeting short. Tom asked if there were any original members of the club present. The only original member present was Steve Schwartz. Tom and the club thanked Nicole Gavaletz for organizing the anniversary party. Tom also announced that we still need a nominee for vice-president. Phil Vanitallie volunteered to run for the position. Member Steve Schwartz reported on the apple picking and pressing, while Seargant-of-Arms Craig Day reported on Learn to Brew Day held last weekend.

Rachel Himelstein announced that the 2011 trip to Machu Picchu has been cancelled due to lack of interest. However, she announced a trip to Belgium/Amsterdam during Spring Break of 2012. If there is enough interest, then she will also be having to trip to Belgium during the summer of 2011. You can contact Rachel at hmiss@hotmail.com if you are interested.

Jenn Taylor announced that she would be willing to be prize coordinator for the competition in March, but she needs help. Please contact Jenn at (monroe414@aol.com) if you would like to help her.

Learn to Homebrew Day

AHA Learn To Home Brew day was held at Party Creations on November 6th.

Attendance was less than usual but was still good considering this was a chilly day following two busy weeks of apple picking and pressing. Dann brewed an Oatmeal Stout and Mark brewed a Pumpkin Ale. This gave a good example of the all grain process for some of those just starting out. Brian and the gang from 'Rhinebeck Brewery' made a Stout Kit with some extra additions. Indoors I worked with Patrick on a Belgian Ale extract/grains kit. A customer of the shop, Devin, saw we were having some fun and went home and got ingrediants to brew a Brown Ale. As with most events there was good food and good samples of home brew to be shared. Special thanks to Gloria for letting to use the shop especially since Bruce was not available for most of the day due to illness.

Knickerbocker Battle of the Brews

Check out the list of winners here http://www.thoroughbrews.org/kbotb/winner2010.html

Thank you to Steve Thomas, Arpit Mehta, Randy Rarig, Dave, Sherfey, Dan Sherfey, and Dann Gavaletz for representing the club as judges for the competition.

Congratulations to Randy Rarig and Dave Sherfey for 3rd place doppelbock in flight 4 brown ale/dark lager; Dann Gavaletz for 1st place other smoked beer and 2nd place qeizen/weissbier in flight 13 wheat, smoke, Christmas beer; Dann Gavaletz for 1st place braggot and Randy Rarig and Dave Sherfey for 3rd place semi-sweet mead in flight 17 mead.

Wizard of SAAZ competition

Check out http://hbd.org/saaz/wos_rules.html for more details.

THE ANNUAL BREWMASTERS DINNER

Every year we look forward to this event and this year we are excited to have Bill Covaleski, owner and Brew Master of the Victory Brewing Company to be our master of ceremonies at our annual Brew Masters Dinner. The 2011 Brew Master Dinner will take place on Tuesday, March 29 at 7PM. The dinner will have 5 courses paired with Victory's best. Over the next few months Bill and I will sort out what food and beers will paired up for this very special evening. The final list will be posted on holysmokebba.net and at victorybeer.com. This is a private event and Holy Smoke will be closed to the public for the evening tickets are \$70 which are all inclusive. This is a very fun evening. You get to meet one of the true Brew Masters in the country and get to eat and drink like a King for the evening. Last years event was a highlight for the staff and we look forward to welcoming Bill and Victory to this annual event in 2011.

5th Annual Spring Craft Beer Festival

For more on this event that will be held on March 5, 2011 at the Nassau Coliseum visit: http://www.springcraftbeerfestival.com/

Brewery Tour

New videos all the time: http://www.beerinfo.com/index.php/index.html

Brewing TV

A new site for brewing videos. http://www.brewingtv.com/episode-index/

Newsletter

The newsletter will be posted to the club website on the first day of every month. The treasurer will send out the newsletter to club member emails. Check out the club website to find the latest newsletter! http://www.hvhomebrewers.com/news/news.html

Newsletter Articles

Yes, I'm back creating these pages of information. If you have any newsletter content you would like to see or contribute, please feel free to email me at gridironbrewer@hvhomebrewers.com

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