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http://www.hvhomebrewers.com/index.html

Upcoming May Meeting

Meeting at the Dubliner! May 13, 2009; 8PM. http://dublinerpubny.com/; our guest speaker will be Scott Vacarro the head brewer/owner of Captain Lawrence brewery in Pleasantville, NY. http://captainlawrencebrewing.com/home.html

HVHB April 8, 2009 Meeting

Manny Holl presented lager brewing. He had tons of tips, tricks, and advice for creating a great German lager. The Iron Brewer was crowned!!! The iron brew competition was a great success. We had 9 entries in the competitions that included a Kolsch, 2 wits, 2 cysers, an American wheat, an ESB, a Porter, and a Berliner weisse. The winners are as follows:

1st place \$30 Party Creations Gift Card Dirk Schalle - Kolsch

2nd place \$20 Party Creations Gift Card Patty O'Roark & Ryan Jones - Wit

3rd place \$10 Party Creations Gift Card Jim Taylor - ESB

BBD 2009 May 2nd

Come out to Party Creations on May 2, 2009 and join in for Big Brew-National Homebrew Day. Mark Peffers will be running the show. Check out http://beertown.org/events/bigbrew/ for more information and http://groups.yahoo.com/group/hudsonvalleyhomebrewers to find out who to contact if you plan on attending.

Time Magazine Video on Maltose Express New Store Grand Opening

http://www.time.com/time/video/?bcpid=1485842900&bctid=20156310001

Upcoming Competitions:

For the latest update on NYSHOTY: http://nyshoty.org

Amber Waves of Grain

AWOG results http://www.awoghomebrew.com/ Click the RESULTS link on the main page.

Upstate NY Homebrew Competition

Upstate NY Homebrew results

http://www.unyha.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=306&Itemid=31



2009 HVHB PICNIC JUNE 13, 2009

It's that time again! This year's HVHB Picnic will be hosted on June 13 from 11-5 at Wilcox Park on Pavilion A. If you are new to the club or have just never attended, this is a great time to bring friends and family for good food, games and homebrew of course! We ask that if you plan on drinking, please make sure that you have a designated driver. We have reserved 3 camp sites for those who want to stay the night. In addition, there is also a small hotel nearby called Jenny's.

The club foots the bill for the grilling portion of the picnic which will include an assortment of meats, fish and Bruce Franconi himself will be taking the reigns on our pig roast this year! We ask that everyone please bring **a dish to share** such as a salad, veggies, or desert and **homebrew** of course! Also, if anyone would be so kind as to contribute a couple of sleeves of ice and/or a few cases of water, please let me know. It would be appreciated!

This year we will be doing classic picnic games for both adults and kids such as pillow sack races, eggs toss and three legged races. We will also have badminton, ladder balls, bocce ball and Frisbee. If anyone is interested in volunteering to help coordinate games, please let me know!

Lastly, I will need volunteers for the cleanup/recycling committee. Please contact me if you are interested in helping.

Thanks and I Look Forward to Seeing Everyone!

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TAP NY

Check out http://www.tap-ny.com/ for all the winners, pictures, a movie, and much more.

"I Am A Craft Brewer"

"I Am A Craft Brewer" is a collaborative video representing the camaraderie, character and integrity of the American Craft Brewing movement. Created by Greg Koch, CEO of the Stone Brewing Co. and Chris & Jared of Redtail Media...and more than 35 amazing craft brewers from all over the country. The video was shown to a packed audience of 1700 craft brewers and industry members at the 2009 Craft Brewers Conference as an introduction to Greg's Keynote Speech entitled "Be Remarkable: Collaboration Ethics Camaraderie Passion." As is tradition for the CBC Keynote, a toast to the audience was offered. This time, the beers offered for the toast were all collaboratively brewed craft beers including Isabella Proximus, Collaboration Not Litigation, AleSmith/Mikkeller/Stone Belgian Style Triple, Jolly Pumpkin/Nøgne-Ø/Stone Special Holiday Ale, and 2009 Symposium Ale "Audacity of Hops." –by "I Am A Craft Brewer"

The video is about 4 minutes long and took about 5-10 minutes to download on a cable modem. Probably because there were so many people trying to watch it at the same time. http://vimeo.com/4298464

Boston Regional Longshot

It's that time of year again to start the planning process for the Boston Regional Longshot competition, most of you have helped in the past, and I hope that you will spread the word about this up coming competition. The competition is going to be held in the Manchester area, hopefully a block or two from Strange Brew, one of NH's best, if not the best, beer bar in the state. I will be setting up a registration site for judges, stewards, and staff. A preference will be given to BJCP judges, but otherwise the order in which you sign up to steward and apprentice judge will be used if needed. http://www.nhbrewers.com/LongShot (Michael Fairbrother)

Also, check out www.samueladams.com to enter the competition.

Boston Homebrew Competition - Call for Judges

The 14th Annual Boston Homebrew Competition will be held on Saturday, February 28, 2009 at the law offices of Holland and Knight in the Back Bay area of Boston and we are still looking for judges. Judging will begin at 9:00 AM sharp on Saturday, February 28th. In order to allow us to pre-assign judges and stewards to categories and to begin judging on time, we need to know which categories you have entered and which you feel qualified/prefer to judge. Please fill out the online Judge/Steward registration form providing this information by Wednesday, February 25th. Morning coffee, tea, and donuts will be served on competition day and lunch will be provided to all judges and stewards. For those driving to assist at the competition, parking is available in the garage at the site and will be reimbursed for those who register in advance. To signup to be a judge, please go to http://bhc.wort.org/judgereg.shtml As the competition will be held in a secure building, pre-registering to judge or steward before the competition is required. We need to give building security a list of people helping in advance of the competition. Further information about judging at the competition, including directions to the competition site, is available at http://bhc.wort.org/judgeinfo.shtml Hope to see many of you on the 28th.

Mark E. Irwin; Webmaster - Boston Wort Processors; irwin@wort.org; http://www.wort.org

Mead Free or Die

This might be the biggest prize pool for any of the mead only competitions; it's certainly several orders of magnitude over what I had set out for. A new grand prize is being offered for the homebrew club of the year, a 660 lbs that's a 55 gallon drum of wild flower honey. I am still working out the logistics on how to determine the winner, but the honey must be picked up from Black Cat Honey & Products http://www.blackcathoney.com) in Winchester NH. A donation value of \$1250! With the AHA Mead day

in August, an entire club could make one heck of a big batch. The sponsors keeps on growing the competition is just over 2 months away... http://www.meadfreeordie.com Michael Fairbrother With a huge amount of sponsorship thus far, I hope to have great prizes for the winners, and some awesome treats for the staff of the competition. http://www.meadfreeordie.com

American Craft Beer Week

Check out all the upcoming events for the week of May 11-17 http://beertown.org/events/acbw/index.html

Brewers Association Releases Top 50 Breweries List

Brewers Association, which represents the majority of brewing companies in the U.S., announced the annual list of top 50 brewing companies. Released are lists for both Top 50 Craft Brewing Companies¹ of small and independent craft brewers (see Craft Brewing Statistics) plus a Top 50 Overall Brewing Companies list. Rankings are based on sales volume in 2008. http://beertown.org/ba/media 2009/Top 50 Release.html

Brewers' Association SAVOR Event

If you are planning on being in the MD/DC area at the end of May or you want to get away for a nice weekend and spectacular dinner, then check out http://savorcraftbeer.com/

AHA Auburn University Survey

Click here to take a quick 15-minute survey on homebrewing: http://www.maildogmanager.com/page.html?p=0000015Fu8vmoUt89e0e3sk5O3bWXe2E8kOWo=&email=danngavaletz@optonline.net

Newsletter Articles

Thanks for all of the feedback coming in for the newsletter. It is much appreciated!

Read a good beer joke. Found an interesting beer article. Heard some good gossip on an upcoming event. If you have any newsletter content you would like to see or contribute, please feel free to email me at gridironbrewer@hvhomebrewers.com

HVHB Dues

If you don't want your name to appear on the website, please notify Callum Benepe or John Rudy from http://hvhomebrewers.com/contacts.html.

A common complaint since we did away with the paper newsletter is that people don't pay their dues because they don't know when they are due anymore. Below is a list of the club membership and their anniversary date in 2008. This is not an indication of paid or not paid, only a reminder of which month the dues are due. If your dues are due this month and you have paid them I thank you. If they are due and you have not paid them please see Charlie Haight, Al Alexsa or John Rudy or you can mail them to:

Hudson Valley HomeBrewers 503 Sharon Turnpike Millbrook, NY 12545

http://www.hvhomebrewers.com/dues.html



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