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HVHB October 14, 2009 Meeting

Frankie spoke a lot about new officer elections, teach a friend to brew day, and the upcoming anniversary party. Lots of great brews were shared by many who attended.

HVHB Anniversary Party at Keegan Ales

Attention all club members, the anniversary party date NOVEMBER 21st will not change. The starting time however will. We will start at SEVEN PM, NOT FIVE. The party is for paid members and their families. The change is necessary to allow some of our members to attend who have prior earlier commitments. I am sorry, but this is NOT negotiable. There will be NO MEETING AT THE DUBLINER IN NOVEMBER. There will be no business discussed at the meeting. Yahoo Group Members who are not paid members will not be allowed. The next meeting at the Dubliner will be December 9th, 8pm. Any and all questions E-Mail me fflynn@optonline.net Frankie Flynn, pres, HVHB.

Teach a Friend

The first Saturday in November is the annual teach a friend to homebrew event; the date is set for November 7, 2009. Craig Day will be heading up the event. Check with the Brewers Association website for more details (<http://beertown.org/events/teach/index.html>). Or contact Craig (craigday2@yahoo.com) if you are interested in helping out or brewing that day. The shop is open for supplies, but you need to bring your own brewing water, some homebrew and some food to share for lunch.

SODA KEGS for SALE

Bill Dickett has 4 soda kegs for sale at \$25.00 each.

He also has 1 soda keg with a Sanke connection for the same price.

Bill can be reached at (845)266-5866 or Billd6@optonline.net

OAK BARREL for Sale

Used 30 gallon oak barrel - used for cider only ... call Robert Woodward at 876-1136

Patchogue to Seattle on Bikes

Seems like fun. <http://bikeandbrewtour.com/>

Knickerbocker Battle of the Brews

Hi All, This is a Call for Judges, Stewards, and entries for the 14th Annual Knickerbocker Battle of the Brews, to be held at 9:30 am, on Saturday, November 14th, at the Albany Pump Station/C. H. Evans Brewing company, in Albany, NY. Judges and Stewards should arrive by 9am for registration, coffee, and bagels/donuts. Lunch will be catered by Neil Evans/Albany Pump Station. This is a BJCP/AHA sanctioned competition, and also qualifies towards the New York State Homebrewer of the Year. As always, Judges and Stewards may bring their entries on the day of competition, provided they are registered with Keith Looney, Competition Organizer and Registrar, prior to the entry deadline. More info can be found at the Saratoga Thoroughbrews' website: www.thoroughbrews.com. Last year, we had 227 entries, and over \$2000 in prizes were up for grabs in the raffle and for competition winners. Medals will be awarded for the top three entries in each flight, as well as the top three in the Best of Show round. Please contact me, Greg Mobley, if interested in being a Judge or Steward, at: gregskegs@verizon.net. Please include any category you wish to judge/steward, as well as those you wish to avoid. Hope to see you there, Greg Mobley; President/Judge Coordinator; Saratoga Thoroughbrews

Monster Settlement

Hansen Beverage Company and Rock Art Brewery; Reach Trademark Agreement; October 26, 2009

Hansen Beverage Company and Rock Art Brewery today issued the following statement in connection with a recent trademark issue:

Hansen Beverage Company and Rock Art Brewery have reached an amicable agreement under which both companies' respective products will be protected - Hansen's Monster Energy® line of energy drinks and Rock Art's Vermonster beer products.

Rodney Sacks, Hansen's chief executive officer, said: "We are pleased that we were able to resolve this matter expeditiously and put the concerns that had arisen behind us so that both parties can concentrate on their day-to-day businesses, selling their respective high-quality products. Our intent in this matter was simply to protect Hansen's trademarks and prevent any likelihood of confusion arising in the future through potential product extensions and was not to prevent Rock Art Brewery from selling their Vermonster beer."

Matt Nadeau, owner of Rock Art Brewery, said: "Once Rodney and I were able to talk to each other we quickly appreciated each other's points of view and he acted reasonably, which allowed us to rapidly come to an agreement we are both happy with and allows both of us to move forward positively."

Drinking Your Way to Health? Perhaps Not

By Dennis Thompson

"Just about every month -- if not every week -- a new study emerges touting the health benefits to be gained from a daily glass of wine or a pint of dark beer." For more visit:

<http://health.yahoo.com/news/healthday/drinkingyourwaytohealthperhapsnot.html>

Sensory Analysis (Zymurgy online)

By John Palmer

"A beer can be compared to the performance of a symphony orchestra. We are the conductor, the recipe is the sheet music, and the instruments are the ingredients with which we work. A beer can be brewed rigorously to a recipe just like music can be played mechanically to the score. The difference is in the performance." To read more visit the link below:

http://www.beertown.org/homebrewing/zymurgy_magazine/pdf/MJzym07_SensoryAnalysis.pdf

Brewery Tour

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

SNERHC Results

http://www.undergroundbrewers.org/snerhc/SNERHC_2008_Results.htm

HVHB Belgium 2010 Trip Info

Check out the link on the home page. Rachel has planned a great trip to Belgium and Holland for 2010! <http://www.hvhomebrewers.com/index.html>

Newsletter

Don't want to wait until a couple nights before the next meeting to read the latest newsletter? Check out the club website to find the latest newsletter! Or just wait for it to show up in your inbox.

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

Golden Rail Upcoming Events

Saturday, November 14th - Our 4th Annual Brooklyn Pub Crawl! Leave on the 9:50am train from Beacon, or join up with us at a time of your own choosing. Tour the Brooklyn Brewery, then spend the day bar hopping at some of the best bars in the nation. (Yes, the nation!) Now taking pre-orders for commemorative shirts for \$10. Trip maps will be provided, and we may be able to commandeer our own "rail car" (pun intended) for the ride down. No reservations are needed, but feel free to notify us if you intend to go, so that we have a tentative head count for the brewery and potential stops in the borough.

Here's the best part... This year, we'll be joined by not one, but two, of the most respected names in the business. Alex Hall (cask ale authority and publisher of the "Gotham Imbiber") and Peter LaFrance (author of "Beer Basics" and "Cooking & Eating with BEER" will both be taking part in our crawl! While there is no deposit necessary (besides payment in advance for the shirts,) I would like to have some idea of who plans to attend, as a courtesy to the establishments that we will visit.



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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:

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