

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING:

Editors note: And now to make a silk purse out of a sow's ear worth of minutes I got from last month's meeting!

WHAT'S OLD ON TAP:

Treasurer's Report - We have \$487.61, as of the beginning of this meeting. Thanks, Kodie.

HOPs Meeting Days: Don't forget the new day...1st Thurs. of the month...6:30pm. Beer Hoppers will then be the 3rd Thurs. at 6:30pm.

Summer Picnic: Our picnic will be the last Sunday in June, the 25th, starting at noon at Jubilee Park. See flyer for details...a flyer will also be sent to Galesburg and AbNormal clubs. Does anyone know where the box of papergoods are???

HOPs Membership List: I attached the new HOPs membership list to this email as well...

Black & Tan Competion: Melanie is getting the ribbons made, and John will be able to say when they will be ready at this month's meeting.

WHAT'S NEW ON TAP:

Beer Banner: Melanie will make a new and improved HOPs banner...why don't we start working on the new design...suggestions??? And how about making some sort of HOPs display for the Jay-Cees brewfest? Something colapsible, easily stored...

HOPs Money: At the last meeting we found out that there isn't enough \$ to go around...newsletter, beer education, etc. To cut costs right now, the newsletter will now be emailed out on Wed. before the meeting. Each member will print out their own copy and bring it to the meeting, if desired. The president will at least

have a copy at each meeting. Discussion should con-

tinue on how much money to spend on beer education.

HOPs

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Kodie Brush

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Melanie Martin

MISCELLANEOUS STUFF:

Gotta Good beer Making Tip/Discovery?: Send it to me and I will put it here in the newsletter so we all can learn, since that's what this club is about!

Wanna Strut Your Stuff??? Made any good beer lately??? Bring some to the meeting and strut your stuff all over the bar tables!!! We're always thirsty!

Had any good beers lately??? Send me your new finds and I'll help pass the word. See page 3 for John M's vacation beer discoveries.

BEER HOPPERS: Third Thurs. of the month at 6:30pm. Decision to be made tonight. See HOPs website for "final answer".

BEER EDUCATION: Open forum tonight.



401 F. Main St Galesburg, II. 61401 Proprietors: Jim and Mary Smith

Hours: Tues Fri 12:00-6:00 Sai 10:00-5:00 Closed Sue & Mon

(309) 341 4318

HOPs Club Members Only: (with a 10% HOPs membership discount!) Call Jim up to 4:00pm the day of the HOPs meeting and place your beer supply order and he'll bring your order to the meeting, COD.

Website: **somethingsbrewn.com**

MONTHLY BEER EDUCATION

(Everyone, who wants to, can participate!!!)

THE PRESENTER: Sign-up for a beer style and a month to present it (*see open months below*). You will be the presenter of that beer by hopefully bringing your home brew of that style plus other store-bought examples. And remember, you have a budget of \$20 on the purchase of similar commercial beers that reflect your beer style that the club will reinburse you for. Give John W. your reciepts.

THE REST OF US: We have the option to participate by also brewing a batch of the beer style being presented and bring it along for comparison...or sit back and free-load off of other people's efforts!!!



So, get those kettles brewing!!! Here is the brew schedule. Choose a month not already taken, select your beer style...(oh and be sure to let the editor know so it makes the schedule!)

2006

June (open forum) all

July.....Bob K

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August(open)??	?
September Old Stock Ale John M	1
October TBD Don S	3
November (open)??	?
December (open)??	?
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January (open)??	?
February (open)??	?
March(open)??	?
April(open)??	?
May (open)??	?
June (open)??)
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(Don't forget to sign-up for any of the open months with your editor...wanna change? Let her know that too!)

Potential for Mind Exercise...

Real Ale Festival recipes:

The first American beer festival dedicated to real ale was held Oct. 4-5, 1996 in Chicago and sponsored by the Craft Beer Institute, Chicago Beer Society and Goose Island Brewing Co. The homebrew competition accepted entries in eight categories. A total of 51 entries were received and they were consolidated into six categories for judging. Here are some of the winning recipes:

Strong Bitter Category • First Place: Sam Pottle, Madison, WI

Lute Stomp Ale • Recipe for 5 gallons

O.G. 1.053 • T.G. 1.013

Fermentable, weight (lbs.)

Schreier 2-row, 8

Cara Vienna, 0.5

Cara Munich, 0.5

Dark Crystal, 0.5

Mash schedule: 55 mins at $104\ deg\ F, 30\ mins$ at $140\ deg\ F, 30\ mins$ at

158 deg F, 10 minutes at 169 deg F.

Hops, AA%, ounces, boil time

Centennial, 8.7, 0.5, 75 minutes

Chinook, 10.3, 0.75, 60 minutes

Centennial, 8.7, 0.5, 15 minutes

Centennial, 8.7, 1, 0 minutes

Columbus, unknown, 1, dry hopped

Other Ingredients: , teaspoon gypsum in mash.

Yeast: Wyeast 1056, American Ale Yeast

Stout Category • First Place: David Quenneville, Milford, MI.

Variation on Dr. John Bolton's "Black Bart's Tooth & Nail Stout"

Recipe for 5 gallons.

O.G.: 1.073 • T.G.: 1.032

Fermentable, weight (lbs.)

Pale Ale Malt, 1.0

Crystal, 2.0

Chocolate, 1.0

Flaked Maize, 0.5

The above mashed at 150 deg F for 90 minutes.

M&F; Dark Malt Syrup, 3.3

Amber Dry Malt Extract, 3.0

Light Dry Malt Extract, 1.5

Black Licorice, 1 piece

Hops, AA%, ounces, boil time

Olympic, 11, 2.5, 90 minutes

Cluster, 7, 0.5, 90 minutes

Cascade, 6, 1.5, 10 minutes

Other Ingredients: 1 tsp gypsum in mash. 3/4 tsp citric acid in sparge

water.

Yeast: Dry Ale yeast.

First Place: Al Korzonas, Palos Hills, IL*

Spiney Norman's Old Ale • Recipe for 5 gallons.

O.G.: 1.080 • T.G.: 1.025

Fermentable, weight (lbs.)

Cara-Vienne Malt, 0.1

M&F; Old Ale Kit, 6.6

M&F; Hopped Light Syrup, 3.3 Light Dutch Dry Malt Extract, 0.4

cuz we ol' dogs wanna know more!!!

M&F; Light Dry Malt Extract, 0.1 Hops, AA%, ounces, boil time

Cascade, 5.6, 6.1, 60 Cascade, 5.6, 2.4, 15

Cascade, 5.6, 4.0, Dry Hopped Other ingredients: None. Yeast: Wyeast 1028 London Ale

* The brewer notes "this was a clean the cupboards recipe that just happened to make an Old Ale once all the initial bitterness faded with age. Don't expect this beer to taste like an Old Ale for at least a year."

Special Bitter Category • First Place: Jay Geving, Algona, IA.

Baa Sheep Best Bitter • Recipe for 5 gallons.

O.G.: 1.040 • T.G.: 1.010 Fermentable, weight (lbs.) Hugh Baird Pale Malt 6.5

Wheat 0.75

Roasted Barley 0.06

Hugh Baird Crystal 70 0.50

Mashed at 152 deg F for 90 minutes.

Hops, AA%, ounces, boil time

Fuggles, 3.6, 0.75, 45 minutes

Kent Goldings, 5.8, 1.0, 45 minutes

Fuggles, 3.6, 0.5, 15 minutes

Fuggles, 3.6, 0.75, 5 minutes

Other ingredients: 1/4 tsp yeast nutrient. Gelatin finings.

Yeast: Wyeast 1028 London Ale

And now for a beer review:

What I did on my vacation! by John M

We went to Europe, Paris and Oslo specifically, where we drank beer. Good beer, although pale yellow piss was available, was the order or no beer was drunk.

We started in Paris, shopping at the Monoprix, a small discount type store with groceries. Mostly beer I never heard of, but styles I knew. Fischer Biere d'Alsace was one. This is one of the prototypes of style and was like the same you could get in Peoria. Aroma was light malt and flower fragrance. Body light with medium carbonation. No hop flavor. Flavor floral and malt light to medium. Good hot afternoon beer, score about 30. This beer is a little too subtle for me.

Next were Biera de Gardes Blonde and Brune. Several brands - Pelican, misc, and the best Brasseur, a prototype for about \$2/ half liter. Brasseur had medium toasted malt aroma, mild nutty/toasty malt aroma in the brune, low/med bitterness, balanced to malt. Blonde and Brune very good and scored about 35.

La Becasse Framboise was weak. Light/ medium lambic aroma and flavor, light fruit flavor and strong aroma, low sweetness. Just not enough there to stand out. Score about 25.

Then it was off to Norway where Olaf is King, but Pilsner is King of Beers. In Norway beer drinking is discourages because Norwegians like to drink it all at once. Beer costs so much they price it by the can in the grocery store. Up to \$5 for a Bass Ale or other British Bitters. \$4 for an 11 oz Corona Extra. No kidding \$4!!! The local beer is called Ringness and there are other smaller breweries too. Mostly Pislner but some Dunkels called Bayer from Hansa Borg, Freydenlund, Aass, and others I forgot the names of. We had them from all over Northern Europe. Danish and Polish were better. No buzzes over there at those prices. Google for more info.

Oh yeah. We went to some museums too.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Dates listed are the judging date, dates you submit beers are usually earlier, check internet for more info \bullet (?) = location unknown

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• HOPs Bus Trip (annual trip, permanent date)	Jan. (last Sat.)
March Mashness (?)	March
• Iowa Brewers Union Open, IA	March(2nd Sat.)
• Drunk Monk Challenge, Aurora, IL	
• AHA National Homebrew Competion (?)	March (3rd wkend.)
• Jay-Cees Beerfest, Peoria	April 21 & 22nd (Fri. & Sat.)
• Knickerbocker Battle of the Brews (?)	
• Bay Area Mashers World Cup of Beer (?)	April
Great Taste of the Mid-West, St. Louis	May (2nd Sat.)
• Upper Mississippi Mash Out, Minneapolis, MN	May (3rd Sat.)
BUZZ, Champagne, IL	June (first Sat.)
HOPs Summer Picnic	June (last Sun.)
American Beer month	
• Taste of the Midwest, Madison, WI	Aug. (2nd Sat.)
Sprecher's Fest, Milwaukee, WI	Labor Day weekend
Autumn Brew Review, Minneapolis, MN	
Brew HA-HA, Davenport, IA	Sept. (last wkend)
Iowa City Brewfest, IA	Sept.
HOPs Fall Picnic	Oct.(1st Sun.)
• Quivey Grove Beer Festival, Madison, WI	Oct. (1st Sat.)
• Land of the Muddy Waters, QC, IL	
• Thirsty Homebrew Classic, Amana, IA	Nov. (1st Sat.)
HOPs Holiday party	Dec. (date TBD)
• Happy Holiday HomeBrew, St. Louis	Dec. (2nd Sat.)
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Up-Coming Events & Meetings

This is your newsletter...want to contribute???, please email me anytime at: melaniehg@yahoo.com,

• fax: 309 249-4109 or call: 309 249-4409

HOPs Beer Club meeting dates:

1st Thurs. of each month • 6:30pm

Plank Road Pub* • 4714 W. Plank Rd • Bellevue

http://hop.bradley.edu/

(* Cash only bar, but with food!)

BEER HOPPERS

Monthly Dinner & Beer Social

3rd Thurs. of each month • 6:30pm See HOPs email for location • Bring your friends/spouses

HOPs Beer Club Summer Picnic Sunday, June 25th, 12 noon

Jubilee Park, Bowwood Picnic site (see attached flyer)

Other local Homebrew Club meetings: ABNORMAL HOME BREWERS

2nd Mon. of each month • 7:30-9:30pm Fat Jacks • 511 N. Main • Bloomington (309) 829-2805

GALESBURG HOMEBREWERS ASSOCIATION

2nd Sat. of each month • 3:00-5:00pm Somthin's Brewin' • 401 E. Main St. • Galesburg (309) 241-4118

Join "HOPs" Beer Club

Interested in joining a club of beer-making fools? Find yourself obsessing about beer and don't have anybody to talk to? Want to learn how to make beer in your own but don't know how to start? Or do you just want to get together once a month to drink and talk beer?

Join HOPs (Homebrewers of Peoria)

Dues are an obsessively cheap \$18 a year...pro-rated when you join up. Dues include this newsletter, a monthly place where you can do one or all of the above mentioned desires PLUS various parties, picnics, socials and a beer tasting field trip thrown in.

Fill-out this form and bring to any of our meetings, every 1st Thursday of the month. First timers are welcome to visit and check us out.

∃ Yes! I want to join HOPs!					
Name:					
Street/Apt:					
City/State/Zip:					
Home Phone #:					
Email:					



HOPs Summer Picnic Sunday • June 25, 2006 12 noon - ?

Jubilee Park • Bowwood Glen Picnic Area

Take (I-474 to 150 turn west, go past Kickapoo) or (I-74 to exit 82 follow state signs to Jubilee Park) it will be on your right. Once in the park, follow paper plate signs (HOPs) to Bowwood Glen picnic area.

WHY???

This is HOPs' Annual Summer Picnic
Everyone is invited! HOPs members, spouses, families,
beer lovers, all beer clubs and ???
for a day in the park with good food, beer and fun people!

WHAT to BRING???

It's a BEER CLUB PICNIC, so don't forget to bring BEER and a POTLUCK to share. If you want to BBQ, you might need to bring one to make sure,

though the park has some available, but no guarantee.

HOPs will provide all the paper plates, knifes, forks, spoons and napkins.

Did I forget to mention...BRING BEER???

(If you to drink something **other than beer**...bring it!)

For more info, call Melanie Martin @ 309 249-4409