



“Beer brewed well is bliss. Beer brewed bad is educational.”

(You are encouraged to print this newsletter and bring it to the meeting, no copies are available at the meeting)

NEXT HOPS MEETING:

Wed. Feb. 13 at W.E. Sullivan's

(food and beer available...and you can bring in your own home brewed beer or commercial beers you'd like to share!)

Meeting Minutes (Jan 9, 2018)

Attendance: 13

Hoppers (social dinner):

Jan 23 - Kenny's Westside Pub, Gone in 60 Escape Games afterward

Bus Trip 2019: The annual bus trip was held on Jan 26, 2019. We had a fun trip to Champaign and visited Blind Pig, Riggs, Tryptic and Scotty's Brewhouse. Thank you to Greg D. for putting this together. Thanks to Eric R. for helping out at the last minute, Greg and Priscilla G. for snacks and raffle tickets and Will B. for 50/50 drawing.

Discussion Topics:

The Club voted on our officers during the Jan meeting. The new officers are listed in the center of the newsletter

Jeff P passed out flyers for Musical Masquerade 3/1, benefits student musicians of Youth Music Illinois

Checking to see if Pekin Screen Graphics still has graphic for T shirts. If not Jane B may be able to get graphics remade

David S. had invoice for HOPS website and domain ID (\$123. 87), due this year

Preliminary Discussion Topics for Feb:

Annual dues \$20
Cost for couples?

PRESIDENT

Will Baar

VICE PRESIDENT

David Scuffham

TREASURER

Priscilla Gilles

TRUSTEE

Gary Gilles

SECRETARY

Noelle
Buonaccorsi

Planning Meeting:

Took place before general meeting to discuss possible upcoming events for the year

Jan- Hopscotch held in mid-late Jan. Breweries and restaurants do tasting and games as a fundraiser, discussed HOPS donating beer in 2020

Mar- March Madness at Bearded Owl, Sat the weekend after Madness games in Peoria, tickets for 3 2oz pours, public vote on favorite beer, 3/10 Marchtoberfest with German/American Society, need \$25 permit to pour

Apr- 4/12 or 4/26 Jaycees Beerfest, Eric R., Dave S. and Jane B. will attend meeting to see if HOPS can participate (pour homebrew, volunteer) A volunteer party is held the week after Beerfest to sell off leftover beer.

May- 5/4 Big Brew Day (Industry, Obed & Isaac's, Friar Tuck's parking lots?), 5/4 Morel Mashup in Ottawa (homebrewers pour), mid month North Peoria Craft Brewfest (same date as bike and brew?) Fox Pub

June- Mid month, summer picnic at Jeff P.'s house? Invite area homebrew clubs.

July- 7/6 Pluto Fest in Streator (homebrew pour), 2nd Sat Wake Brewing in Quad Cities (homebrew pour)

Aug- 1st Sun Bratfest, mid month Wet hop harvesting, 3rd weekend Erin Feis, 8/18 Brewgala in Bloomington

Sept- 3rd weekend Oktoberfest

Oct- Homebrew competition

Nov- 1st Sat Learn How to Homebrew Day

Dec- Christmas Party/beer swap

Joining the American Homebrewers Association? Use our club's link so HOPS will get reimbursed for the cost of our insurance!
<http://www.homebrewers-of-peoria.org/links.php>

Beer Education:

This month's beer education was a tour given by John (brewer from Obed and Isaac's) which also included a taste of their Skyline IPA

Upcoming Beer Education Volunteers:

February - Jane Baar, topic TBD

March - Jeff Pulfer - Maarsden beers

MONTHLY BEER EDUCATION

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

THE PRESENTER: You can sign-up (*see open months below*) for either a **beer style** and present it with commercial

versions and one you may have made **or** bring in

some **intresting/unique beers** we may not have ever had, or it's been awhile. *The main idea behind this education is to continue learning about beers.*

Remember,

you have a budget of \$20 on the purchase of commercial beers that the club will reimburse you for.

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...or sit back and free-load off of other people's efforts!!!

Beers Tasted:

Wernsgrunner, Pilsner - Jeff Pulfer

Avery, Russian Imperial Stout- Jeff Pulfer

Fuuleworks, Tropic King Imperial Saison- Jeff Pulfer

Martin City, Belgian style Abbe Ale - Jeff Pulfer

Mast Landing, Gunners Daughter Milk Stout - Jeff Pulfer

Bock - Gary Gilles

Peanut Butter Porter - Gary Gilles

Free / For Sale:

Need Hops? Live Wire Hops has 1 LB packages of Cascade and Crystal Hops available. \$10-Cascade, \$15 -Crystal. Contact Greg Probst (gkprobst67@gmail.com) if you are interested.

Website:

www.homebrewers-of-peoria.org

or find us on Facebook

Up-Coming Clubs Events & Meetings

This is your newsletter...want to contribute??? Please email me anytime at:
noeydee@gmail.com •

HOPs Beer Club meeting dates:

2nd Wednesday of each month • 6:30-8:30pm • Guests are more than welcome!

Even Months – W. E. Sullivan's-Peoria Heights

Odd Months – Obed and Isaac's - Peoria

Website: <http://www.homebrewers-of-peoria.org/>

Beer Hoppers

Monthly Dinner & Beer Social - Bring your family/friends

4th Wednesday of each month • 6:30pm

Consult the HOPs website for schedule

HOPs Beer Club Annual Picnics/Parties/etc.

Annual Beer Bus Trip - Jan., the Sat. before Super Bowl Weekend

HOPs Annual Picnics - usually the last Sunday in June and first Sunday in October

HOPs Annual Group Brew - 1st Sat. in May

HOPs Holiday Party – December

Other local Homebrew Club meetings:

ABNORMAL HOME BREWERS

2nd Mon. of each month • 7:00-9:00pm

Fat Jacks • 511 N. Main • Bloomington • (309) 829-2805

Join “HOPs” Beer Club

(Homebrewers of Peoria)

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? Dues are an obsessively cheap \$20 a year...with the first year FREE. 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 bus trip thrown in.

Fill-out this form and bring to any of our meetings, every 2nd Wed. of the month.

Guests are more than welcome to visit and check us out.

☛ Yes! I want to join HOPs!

Name: _____

Street/Apt: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone #: _____

Email: _____