HEART OF THE VALLEY HOMEBREWERS

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THIS MONTH'S MEETING

The Heart of the Valley Homebrew Club meets on the third Wednesday of each month, alternating between Corvallis and Albany. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, April 20, at 7:00 p.m., at the home of Scott and Karen Caul, 2930 NW Mulkey, Corvallis. Their phone number is 757-1190.

Directions from Highway 99W:

- Take Highway 99W to Circle Boulevard.
- Go west on Circle to 29th.
- Go south (left) on 29th to Mulkey.
- Turn right on Mulkey. Scott's house is a yellow house on the left.

Directions from Highway 34:

- After you get to Corvallis, Highway 34 becomes Harrison. Take it until you get to 29th.
- Turn right on 29th. Continue north past the Dari-Mart at Grant and 29th. Mulkey is the second left past Grant.
- Turn left on Mulkey. Scott's house is a yellow house on the left...

Business to be discussed: Festival, Festival, Festival

LAST MONTH'S MEETING

Our thanks to John Sterner for hosting the March meeting. Aside from some extra good homebrews and dips/chips/bread, we anyone interested toured John's rather extensive brewing set-up. Most of the business discussed centered around our upcoming Oregon Homebrew and Microbrew Festival. Mike had a lot of information regarding getting fest T-shirts printed. Any club member interested in purchasing one may be able to pick their own color, size and style (see below). Ron reported that publicity is going good, but that word of mouth can be the best way to get people to show up, so tell your friends and co-workers. Jerry is hot on the trail of setting up a hash run for the morning of the fest. Campground availability will need to be looked into. There will be no label or soda categories in the homebrew fest this year. Other news included the possibility of

PRESIDENT'S CORNER By Scott Caul

Isn't it about time we all boycott this "daylight savings time" thing? Why don't we do it at 2 in the afternoon instead, in the middle of the week. Then, we'd get to blow out of work early and find a lovely spring time brew to enjoy while sneezing from all the pollen in the air. Let's all write our congressperson and see what we can line up next time around. Of course, we'll keep our "fall back" hour where it is. An extra hour of snooze time is a good thing.

Wait a minute, I'm supposed to be writing something about the club. Sorry...

We'll have the last meeting before the Festival on the 20th at my house. (Man, what was in that beer at the last meeting?) Last chance for Q and A about fest stuff as a group. Looks like we're going into the fest pretty strong this year, so come and find out what what's going on.

Happy brewing, see you at the meeting.

LITTER PICK-UP

Dave Zelazek, Kristen Vogel, Brian Ross, Ron Hall, John Sterner and Doug & Mare Goeger combed Hwy 20 on what could have been, but wasn't a rainy Saturday in March. They were rewarded with Oregon Trail IPA (thanks Dave), jalapeno cornbread and oatmeal cookies at the end of the trail.

UPDATE ON THE GLEN HAY FALCONER FOUNDATION AND BREWING SCHOLARSHIPS

Over the past year, the Foundation exceeded everyone's expectations and grew quickly in its support and in its activities. So much has happened that we thought we would put together this newsletter to update you.

2004 BREWING SCHOLARSHIP

Early in 2004, we launched the Foundation Brewing Scholarship. Together with the generous co-sponsorship of Siebel Institute, we provided a full-tuition scholarship to the World Brewing Academy Concise Course in Brewing Technology. The Scholarship was open to professional and home brewers from the Pacific Northwest and Northern California regions. another OSU brew and what to do with the barrel that the current Hair of the Beaver is in, since it will need to be emptied soon. Suggestions for its use include: refill with a melding of individual's beers brewed to a specific recipe, another OSU brew or brewing at Oregon Trail Brewery (Dave Wills will be contacted regarding the feasibility of this idea). Jeff Clawson at OSU is getting a 12 ounce bottling line going that can be filled off of cornies. And last, but not least, Dick Martin was a new attendee at the meeting. Dick works with John at HP.

SECOND ANNUAL SASQUATCH BREW FEST

In June, downtown Eugene, Oregon was the site of the second annual Sasquatch Brew Fest. More than 600 people enjoyed a day and evening of beer tasting, live music, and friendship. Over 40 breweries from throughout the Pacific Northwest, California, Alaska, and Hawaii participated, many presenting beers specially brewed in Glen's honor. The day of celebration was punctuated with a lively raffle and exciting silent auction. The all-day event and the Brewer's Dinner the preceding evening were organized and produced by an incredibly dedicated and able Steering Committee consisting of Gary Kingery, Scott & Tina Ellison, Steve Ditmar, Jamie Floyd, Christine Jump, Corby Watters, and Tripp & Carolyn Sommer working along with Brendan Relaford and Bob Jensen of Big Green Enterprises. We are all eternally grateful to these exceptional people and the many other volunteers who have truly made the Sasquatch Brew Fest a lasting and much-anticipated event in the greater Eugene area and in the Pacific NW brewing community. Check out the www.sasquatchbrewfest.org website created and maintained by Doug Fuchs for pictures and information.

2005 SASQUATCH BREW FEST AND MORE

Planning for the upcoming 2005 Sasquatch Brew Fest is shifting into high gear. The incredible team of volunteers that were instrumental in making last year's Brew Fest such a success is working together again to organize and produce the Third Annual Sasquatch Brew Festival on Saturday, June 4, 2005. Don't forget to check out www.sasquatchbrewfest.org for information and updates.

The silent auction and raffle have not only been one of the most exciting and popular parts of the Brew Fest but also a critical

The five-person Selection Committee, comprised of accomplished brewers and brewing industry professionals from throughout the region, truly had an unenviable task choosing only one recipient from a group of 14 very deserving and qualified candidates. After hours of discussion and contemplation, Barney Brennan of Full Sail Brewing Co. was awarded the first Glen Hay Falconer Foundation Brewing Scholarship. Congratulations to Barney who completed the two-week intensive course in Chicago in November and an enormous thank you to each of the Selection Committee members John Maier, of Rogue Ales; Chris Studach, of Cascade Brewers Society; Ralph Olson, of Hop Union; John Harris, of Full Sail Brewing; and Tom Dalldorf, of Celebrator Beer News.

SUBSEQUENT EVENTS AND FUND RAISERS

The Sasquatch Brew Fest was followed by the release of Rogue's Glen Ale, a strong ale with Scottish malt brewed in Glen's honor by his close friend and mentor John Maier, Rogue Ales' Brewmaster. For those who tasted John's Glen Ale, this limited release was just too tasty to brew only once! Thanks to John, Jack Joyce, and everyone at Rogue for all their support and encouragement for the Foundation. In July, Portland's Horse Brass Pub owner and craft beer champion Don Younger and fellow Horse Brasser Jim McConnaughey along with celebrated beer journalist Lisa Morrison created an intimate event to honor Glen. Seven beers brewed in tribute to Glen were on tap including the last reported keg of Sasquatch Ale brewed by Glen himself in early 2002. And in October, Brewing Scholarship recipient Barney Brennan crafted a special raffle/fund raiser at the Hood River Hops Fest.

FOUNDATION GRANTS TO LOCAL COMMUNITIES

With the continued success of the Sasquatch Brew Fest and through generous private donations, the Foundation was also able to make great strides in realizing its broader mission which is to support local organizations that represent Glen's wide range of interests or had an impact in Glen's life. The Foundation made monetary contributions to the Eugene YMCA, the Center for Alternative Transportation, which promotes community involvement in sustainable modes of transportation, and to the White Bird Clinic, which provides human welfare component of Brew Fest's fund-raising efforts. If you wish to donate items or services to the raffle or silent auction, all of us would be enormously grateful. You can either contact us directly or e-mail Scott and Tina Ellison, who are spearheading this effort, at birddogbrewery1@netzero.net. Remember that your contributions are tax deductible.

For 2005, the Foundation is offering two full-scholarships to the Concise Course in Brewing Technology at the Siebel Institute and plans to increase its level of contributions to organizations in Glen's local community. For more information on the 2005 Brewing Scholarships, please visit the Siebel Institute website at www.siebelinstitute.com.

So don't forget to mark your calendar for Saturday, June 4, 2005 for the third annual Sasquatch Brew Fest in Eugene where you can join all of us in celebrating Glen, craft brewing, and friendship. Also, stay posted for information on the Glen Hay Falconer Foundation Golf Tournament preceding the Oregon Brewers Festival in late July where you can hang out and play a round of golf with your favorite brewer! services throughout greater Eugene. The previous year, the Foundation contributed to Eugene's KidSports which organizes youth sports programs.



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HOTV CLUB EQUIPMENT

by Joel Rea

Our club has brew gear that is available for members to use. All of the items reside at Corvallis Brewing Supply. There is a one week check out limit unless pre-arranged with the equipment dude...that would be me.

- RIMS (Recirculating Infusion Mash System) Due to the tenacity of this piece of equipment I would strongly suggest that you have a training brew session with someone who has experience in using it. Scott Caul has in the past been gracious to hold open house brewing sessions with this fine piece (of equipment) usually several times of the year.
- Motorized Grain Mill
- CO2 kit Includes CO2 bottle, regulator and tool box full of draft parts
- Oxygen Bottle and Infusion Stone
- Counter Pressure Bottle Filler
- Low-Pressure Burner with tank
- 12 gallon Stainless Steel Liquor Tank
- 15 gallon Stainless Steel Mashtun / Lautertun
- Bench Capper
- 10 gallon Cornelious Keg
- AHA Style Guidelines Books 1-8

If you have a piece of equipment that is collecting dust and you would like to donate it to the club please let me know.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Apr 4-15: Entries accepted for National Homebrew Competition, \$8/entry for members, \$12/entry for non-members

Apr 15: Deadline for Oregon Craft Brewfest "Blooms & Brews" Amateur Brewing Competition entries. Please see entry sheet for details, as there are only 7 categories, non-AHA event. Corvallis Brewing Supply is a drop-off location.

Apr 22&23: Oregon Craft Brewfest "Blooms & Brews", Oregon Garden, Silverton. Celebrating NW beer styles with commercial craft breweries , food & live music. (www.oregongarden.org)

May 7: Big Brew - National Homebrew Day

May 21: Oregon Homebrew Festival and Microbrew Festival, hosted by HOTV at the Benton County Fairgrounds, Corvallis

July '05 National Beer Month

Aug 21: HOTV Annual Picnic, Avery Park, Corvallis

AHA CLUB-ONLY COMPETITIONS

Here is the latest list for AHA Club-only competitions. Dave Benson will be coordinating mailings of HOTV's top beer to these categories. Bring your entries to the club meeting indicated, and our top-notch judges will choose the best entry for sending in. We've done pretty well in the past, let's try and out-do Strange Brew in number of points scored.

May '05 Extract (extract must make up greater than 50% of fermentables) No details yet Aug '05 Belgian & French Ale No details yet Sep/Oct '05 European Amber Lager No details yet Nov/Dec "05 Baltic Porter

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