

# HEART OF THE VALLEY HOME BREWERS

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Greetings fellow brewers and beer enthusiasts! August has been a busy month for me and if you were puzzled as to why there was no newsletter before the 3rd WED, on which day our meetings usually happen, that's because there was no meeting this month! Apologies if there was any confusion! Our "meeting" will be the upcoming picnic this Saturday, the 25th, which, if you haven't RSVP'ed, do so now! I shall now turn things over to Bill Baxter who will explain more. Bill?

Bill: Thanks Dan... alright, let's get things started here.

Dan: Bill, first... do you think this illustration of a dialog will go over well in the newsletter?

Bill: Dan, seriously... do ANY of your stale attempts at humor ever work in the newsletter?

Dan: Well... I mean...

Bill: No, now sit down and shut up! Alright... A lot of people showed an interest in bringing a side dish or dessert to the picnic.

We usually send out a list that says... A-K Bring a side dish. L-Z Bring a dessert. (Secretly wishing for more desserts...)

This year the theme is very relaxed... Here it goes... Want to bring a side dish? Bring one!

Want to bring dessert? Bring one!

This year's picnic will have Smokin B's BBQ as our main dish extraordinaire. Ahh.. I mean they will be preparing our Main dish items.

The choices include:

Meat Only Smoked Ribs: (1/2 a rack each serving)  
Pulled Pork Sandwich Pulled Chicken Sandwich River Chicken Breast. This was the reason for the rsvp's... we have less than 20 people coming to the picnic. (RSVP!!!!)

At this time I am planning on about 60 of these items. If large groups of people are planning on attending. Let me know and we can accommodate. Please reply back to me with what you want fast to ensure enough of these tasty items. I still need some volunteers for some activities... Any takers?

Bill Baxter - bad930s@hotmail.com ++

Dan: Thanks, Bill... it looks like Scott Caul has something to say...

Scott: Yes, and just to reiterate, this whole fake dialogue thing with you putting words in people's mouths is lame, dude. Lame.

Who's up for a 9 hole round before the picnic? We'll play a "best ball" format at Marysville in Corvallis

## THE PICNIC IS THIS SAT!

### Directions to MLK Park in Corvallis:

From Corvallis: (north side)

Get on Walnut Blvd. and follow it West until the road curves and turns into 53rd Ave. MLK park will be on your right hand side just after the curve, as you start to head South.

(South side)

Take Hwy 20/34 until you get to 53rd Ave (same road the fairgrounds are along). Take 53rd north, past Harrison. As you are driving (or riding your bike) you will see fancy neighborhoods and a curve in the road coming up. Start looking on your left for the sign to MLK park.

From Albany: Take Hwy 20 to Conifer Blvd. Follow Conifer until you reach 99W, then turn left at the stoplight. The next stoplight is Walnut, where you will turn right. Follow above directions from here.

Call my cell if there are problems or if you get lost. 541-609-8949

### MAPQUEST MAP.

## ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY UPDATE:

Club volunteers turned out in force on the morning of Saturday, August 11 to clean up our stretch of Highway 20 between Corvallis and Albany. Even with part of our section off-limits due to road construction we collected and removed over 300 pounds of garbage from the road, with many passing motorists honking and shouting words of thanks and encouragement.

Big thanks go to HOTV members Jim Cantey, Dan Crall, Doug and Mare Goeger, Ronn Hall, Charlie Renn and Colin Steeves, and special thanks to Joe Richardson, who came out to help despite not being a formal member of the club just yet. All your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Finally, a quick note on some changes to club's litter pick-up program. Most of you should already know that, after many years of excellent service, Kristen Taylor has stepped down from the Litter Czar position. I took it on as the interim Czar, and now will be happy to step in as the full-time coordinator, pending confirmation from the membership. If anyone objects, you'd better speak up now because soon you'll be stuck with me.

I found out last Saturday that the litter patrol had previously met up at 11 AM. However future pickups will most likely meet at 9 AM, as I am more inclined to get an early start, leaving the afternoon free for other activities. Our next pickup will be in the autumn, most likely a Saturday in November. I'll be in touch with details when the time comes.

## UPCOMING BEER RELATED EVENTS

\*Note - Be sure to double check the venues in case of cancellation. If you wish to attend and are interested in carpooling, company, etc., send an email to the list at hotv@peak.org. There are some fun people in the club who would likely accompany you for a day of drinking, adventure... and love.

Bohemian Snooker - TUE, Aug 21, Eugene  
<http://beeradvocate.com/events/info/14266>

Hale's Ales Tasting - WED, Aug 22, Seattle  
<http://beeradvocate.com/events/info/14803>

Meet the Brewer - THU, Aug 23, Portland  
<http://beeradvocate.com/events/info/14950>

Great American Distillers Festival - SAT, SUN, Aug 25-26, Portland  
<http://www.rogue.com/Events2007/GADF.pdf>

beginning around 8:30. Last year we started a little later and we wound up late to the picnic, thus the early start this year. The greens fee is \$16 and they have rental clubs available. I also have some extra clubs for whomever asks first, just let me know.□

Please let me know ASAP if you will attend.

Scott Caul: tela94@comcast.net

## COMMERCIAL BREWING PROCESS ONLINE OVERVIEW

by Keith Lemcke, Chicago

If you need a program that effectively explains the fundamentals of the commercial brewing process, the Executive Overview course is the right choice. Delivered via the internet, this course provides easy-to-understand content using streaming video presentations designed & presented by former Molson brewmaster Ian Stanners. The Executive Overview is a great course for those considering a career in brewing, for people in non-brewing roles such as executives, brewery suppliers & service providers, and those without brewing experience who are thinking of establishing a microbrewery or brewpub.

Sep. 17 - Oct. 7, 2006

Oct. 15 - Nov. 4, 2006

Nov. 19 - Dec. 9, 2006

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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
- CO<sub>2</sub> kit - Includes CO<sub>2</sub> 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. --Joel

## AHA COMPETITIONS ON THE HORIZON

from <http://www.beertown.org/homebrewing/schedule.html>

2007-2008 Competition Year Schedule

September/October 2007

### **Bock**

Entries are due 10/1/07 and judging will be held 10/9/07. Entry fee \$7 (make checks payable to AHA).

Larry Kemp

c/o: Data Base Products

12770 Coit Road

Suite 1218

Dallas, TX 75251

Hosted by Larry Kemp and the Cap and Hare Homebrew Club of Dallas, TX. This competition covers BJCP Category 5 beer styles. For more information, contact Larry Kemp at [kempbrewing@aim.com](mailto:kempbrewing@aim.com)

November/December 2007

### **Pilsner**

Entry fee \$7. Hosted by Todd Crockett and the Gold Country Brewers Association of Orangevale, CA.

This competition covers BJCP Category 2 beer styles.

Left Hand Brewing Co. Tasting - MON-FUE, Aug 27-28, Tacoma  
<http://beeradvocate.com/events/info/14871>

1st Annual Oktoberfest, presented by WA Beer Commission - FRI-SAT, Sep 14-15, Kenmore, WA  
<http://beeradvocate.com/events/info/14705>

AHA Membership Rally @ Elysian Brewing - SAT, Sep 22, Seattle, WA  
[http://www.beertown.org/email/aha/membership\\_drive/elysian07.htm](http://www.beertown.org/email/aha/membership_drive/elysian07.htm)

He'Brew @ 99 Bottles - SUN, Sep 23, Federal Way, WA  
<http://beeradvocate.com/events/info/14853>

Oktoberfest Tasting - WED, Sep 26, Federal Way, WA  
<http://www.ratebeer.com/events-detail.asp?eventID=6071>



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This competition covers BJCP Category 2 beer styles.

For more information, contact Todd Crockett at toadlc@pacbell.net .

January/February 2008

**Dark Lagers**

Entry fee \$7. Hosted by Susan Ruud and the Prairie Homebrewing Companions of Fargo, ND.

This competition covers BJCP Category 4 beer styles.

For more information, contact Susan Ruud at Susan.Ruud@ndsu.nodak.edu .

March/April 2008

**Perfect Porter Challenge**

Entry fee \$7. Hosted by Ron Smith and the Foam Blowers of Indiana (FBI) of Indianapolis, IN.

This competition covers BJCP Category 12 beer styles.

For more information, contact Ron Smith at RonSmith@MarketWiseSolutions.com