

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. This month's meeting will take place at 7:00pm Wednesday April 15, 2008 at Calapooia Brewing Company, Albany.

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Howdy all,

I would like to start off by thanking all of the HOTV club members that helped out with Septembeerfest. This turned out to be a very nice beer festival and it couldn't have happened without the club's effort! The weather was perfect and the beer was flowin'. Our local breweries Oregon Trail, Block 15, Calapooia, Oakshire, and Ninkasi came thru in a big way. Many other breweries and local sponsors helped out to make this festival happen.

Now on to home brewing and club topics. The meeting coming up is an important one. There will be election nominations and a Septembeerfest update. I will be hosting a HOTV club homebrew on Oct 19th. I am going to brew an Old Ale. I am aiming for 10% which maybe out of the guidelines but should taste good. I will sparge and brew another 5-10 gal from the rest of the grains just to make use of them. I will also be trying out my new pump so hopefully I have the plumbing figured out. Other home brewers are welcome to bring their equipment and brew their best.

We have had a lot of new members this year and the club has really started to come around to home brewing. I was in Joel's shop this weekend and one of our new members was picking up equipment and an established member was getting grains for a brew. It's a good time to be a home brewer! Remember that teach a friend to homebrew day is coming up at the start of November.

Good beers for all,

Howie

## Last month's meeting

by Scott Bruslind

12 people in attendance including new member Steve Eckhart. Welcome Steve. Charley Renn mentioned his Brew Demo at the State Fair- a little impromptu, but well received. If we do a Brew Demo out in public venues we should consider having root beer samples for the kids. Howie's Brew Day is 10/11 (now 10/19) and Charley will host a demo on 11/9. Mike Hoppe is good for the Christmas Party this year. Thanks Mike.

By Law changes were presented. Splitting the Festival and Competition Chairs was moved by Howie, seconded by Irene and approved. (Further details below.) Howie will present adding Education and IT technology positions. 501(c) (3) options were discussed. Scott Bruslind will draft members for a working group to present a possible timeline at the November meeting. OLCC server's license class, BJCP class and the MCAB were discussed briefly at the end of the meeting. Making an HOTV Banner was also discussed.

## By Law Changes

by Scott Bruslind

First, go to <http://www.hotv.org/bylaws.html> and READ the current By Laws. Proposed and approved at the October meeting and pending 30 day notice before it goes into effect- Amend Sections 1 and 2 of Article IV to read ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

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- President
- Vice President
- Secretary/Newsletter Editor
- Treasurer
- Competition Chair
- Festival Chair

### Section 2 - Responsibilities of Officers

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Vice President - this officer will assist the president. He or she will organize the tasting portion of the meeting and insure that there is an adequate supply of beer. He or she will also coordinate the organization of the annual picnic and holiday party.

Secretary - this officer will edit and publish the club newsletter. The secretary, with assistance from the treasurer, will maintain the membership list. He or she will correspond with other clubs and appropriate bodies relative to club matters.

Treasurer - this officer will handle the club finances. The treasurer collects the dues and sees that they are deposited in the club's account. He or she is responsible for disbursement of funds for approved expenditures and keeps the financial records. The treasurer is also responsible for reporting on the club's financial status.

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Proposed for the November meeting, if approved will be in effect immediately - Amend Sections 1 and 2 of Article IV to read ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

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## AHA Club Only Competitions by Bob Saathoff

During the club mtg before entries are due, HOTV members can bring in their beers for consideration into the AHA Club Only competitions. Two bottles are required and beers will be judged side-by-side by BJCP certified members of the club (and anyone else who wants to try them). We'll select one beer to enter to represent our club and the club will pay the shipping (ground only) and entry fee (but the winner will still have to do the packaging and get the entry down to Joel's shop in time to make it by the deadline). Two bottles are also required for the entry. Upcoming competitions, entry deadlines and entry forms are below.

Nov - IPA (BJCP Cat 14) Deadline: Nov 28 in OH  
Dec - Belgian & French Ales (BJCP Cat 16) Deadline: Jan 9 in IL (yes I know our club judging will take place during the holiday party)  
Feb - Beers with OG > 1.080 (BJCP Cat 5C,D; 9E; 12C; 13F; 14C; 15C; 16C,D,E; 18C,D,E; 19A,B,C; 20; 21; 22B,C; 23) Deadline: tbd  
April - Extract Beers (BJCP Cats 1-23) Deadline: tbd  
[http://www.beertown.org/homebrewing/pdf/entry\\_recipe.pdf](http://www.beertown.org/homebrewing/pdf/entry_recipe.pdf)  
<http://www.beertown.org/homebrewing/pdf/bottleid.pdf>

## Hops Rhizome Exchange by Mare Goeger

The inaugural Hops Share List is started. Since this list will be ever-changing, you may request an update by emailing me. Contributors, please do the same as you add/delete vines. New contributors are always welcome.

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IT Technology Chair- this officer will oversee the Club website presence and electronic media management.



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## HOTV CLUB EQUIPMENT

by Joel Rea, revised by Peter Petryszak

Our club has brew gear that is available for members to use. All of the items reside at Corvallis Brewing Supply. If you check out a piece of club equipment, please clean and return it to Corvallis Brewing Supply as soon as possible for other members to use. 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.
- 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