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Greetings and salutations HOTVers....



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First, I would like to give a big thanks to all those that helped make our competition a success: Irene, Bob, Bill, David, Karen and others. Thank you for all your hard work and dedication, without your effort it would not have been such a success. Thank You!

Well summer is almost here, July 6th in Oregon right? Time to enjoy those refreshing, citrusy, hoppy ales of summer, hopefully you have planned ahead and brewed accordingly. My IPA and CDA have recently been put on tap and I have a Citra summer wheat that will be kegged this weekend. But what I am really looking forward to is my Gose that will also be kegged this weekend. If you are unfamiliar with the style, Gose, it is a low alcohol German wheat beer spiced with coriander and salt. Nothing beats a Gose after mowing the lawn on a hot Sunday afternoon.

March Gathering
Directions will be coming
to you soon in an email.

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Homebrew Competition News

By Irene Schoppy



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I'd like to start out my column this month by thanking everyone who helped make our competition a success, especially my competition committee members: Bill Baxter (registrar), David Swisher (steward), Bob Saathoff (judge coordinator), and Armand Schoppy (assistant). We had a great turn out of members who helped judge, steward, and just enjoy the festivities. Thanks for your support! I'd also like to thank all those who entered. If you enjoyed the competition, consider furthering your beer tasting/judging skills by taking the BJCP exam this September. Contact Christiane if you are interested, she will be leading a tasting class over the summer in preparation for the exam.

Thanks also to our sponsors, including Calapooia for hosting our main event as well as some pre-judging events, Ninkasi for sponsoring our best of show prize, Brew Brothers for sponsoring the first time entrant prize and 3rd place prize, and Corvallis Brewing Supply for sponsoring the 2nd place prize. Many other breweries and shops donated to our raffle, including Widmer, Fort George Brewery, Block 15, Flat Tail, and many more. Please support our sponsors! I'd be remiss if I did-

n't also congratulate our Best of Show winner, Randy Scorby. He is an excellent home brewer and always supports our competition by making the long trek over from Baker City. Congratulations Randy- Happy brewing and hiking this summer!

There are a few competitions over the summer, mostly in conjunction with county fairs and the state fair. This is a good opportunity to get your summer beers judged; I know I am looking forward to trying the Gose that Armand has fermenting right now. That is a great summer sipper!

During the club meeting before entries are due, HOTV members can bring in their beers for consideration into the AHA Club Only competitions. Beers will be judged side-by-side by BJCP certified club members (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. The winner is responsible for the packaging and getting the entry down to Joel's shop in time to make it by the deadline.

AHA Club Only Competitions		
Monthly meeting	Beer Style	BJCP Style number
July	Porter	12
September	Light Hybrid Beers	6
October	Old Ale	19A

Events and Competitions

Competition Name	Venue	Date of Comp
<u>Spirits of Baker County</u>	Baker City, OR	July 7
<u>Oregon State Fair Competition</u>	Salem, OR	August
<u>Grant County Fair</u>	John Day, OR	August 18

<i>HOTV Events</i>	
June 20	HOTV monthly meeting, 7pm at Doug & Mare's in Albany
July 18	HOTV monthly meeting, 7pm at Bill & Christiane's in Independence
Aug. 4	HOTV picnic, Bryant Park, Albany <i>members only</i>
Sept. 15	<u>Septembeerfest</u> , Benton County Fairgrounds, Corvallis

<i>Other Local Events</i>	
June 29-July 1	<u>North American Organic Brewers Festival</u> , Portland, OR
July 13-19	<u>Puckerfest</u> , Portland, OR
July 20-22	<u>Portland International Beerfest</u> , Portland, OR
July 26-29	<u>Oregon Brewers Festival</u> , Portland, OR

Septemberfest Planning

By Scott Caul

Now the competition is in the history books and you all have had a moment to rest, it's time to move forward with Septemberfest planning. I've had pretty good response at recent meetings and I've written down some names, however, in the course of events, I have wisely stashed my notebook and I haven't the brainpower to remember where! So, let's have a gathering at my house of all who are interested in pitching in for the organizing of this shindig. This Wednesday(6/6) or next Wednesday(6/13) works for me. We can do both if there are scheduling conflicts with our key players. The following roles need to be either filled or augmented with extras, it would be nice to have an extra person for each role so it's not all dumped on one person and so there is more than one person who knows what is going on.

-Director's assistant (important to have someone interested in running the show if I get hit by falling space debris)

-Volunteer coordinators (we have a primary and secondary person for this role, but more might be helpful)

-Marketing coordinator (someone who can help me get the word out and beat the streets)

-Sponsor fetchers (who wants to shmooze and beg for money?)

-Facility and grounds boss (set up and tear down planning)

-Music and food boss (coordinate sound and keep our vendors happy, work closely with facility boss)

-HOTV booth boss (organize t-shirt sales and homebrew samples)

-Assistant to Joel (Joel is out beer monger and could probably use someone to help him out with various things)

All these roles are important and we need folks with the time and ability to self motivate as well as motivate each other and keep things moving along. Please reply with a preferred day to meet and what position you are interested in. It is difficult to deal with the kindhearted folks who just want to show up and help out as it forces us to find something for them to do, so please have an idea on how you can best serve the cause.

I'm sure I'm missing something, but we'll get it worked out soon enough.

CHEERS,

Let's Get Trashed

Hi all,
It's time for another litter patrol! I'm considering the following dates: June 23rd or 24th, or 30th or 1st. If you can help out, let me know your preference, and I'll go with whichever date works best for folks.

Ideally, we need 8 volunteers. Let me know if you can come out. We'll meet at Hyak Park at 9:00am on whichever date we settle on.

Thanks!

-Erik



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and all who helped.

We could not pull off such a tasty beer competition without the help and sponsorship of such beer friendly companies and people as yourselves. **3 Cheers to you all.**

HOTV CLUB EQUIPMENT

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
- 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. -Joel

WANTED:

Club Brewing Equipment

HOTV needs to do an inventory of all club brewing equipment. So, if you have any equipment checked out please bring it to the next meeting. If you plan on using it soon, still bring it in, you will be able to check it back out after it has been inventoried.

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