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JUNE MEETING: HOMEBREW NIGHT & MICHAEL PETER OF NORTHWEST EXTRACT

The June meeting will be a Home Brew Night. Our featured speaker will be Michael Peter from Northwestern Extract Co. Mike will be talking to us about brewing with malt extract.

The beer will be a potpourri of left over beer from the World of Beer festival and the State Fair competitions. As with past Home Brew Nights members are encouraged to bring home brew. A jockey box will be provided, and the club will cover your costs if needed. Please contact me prior to the meeting to reserve a tap line.

Mike Rice VP

SEPTEMBER 20: BEER BARONS PICNIC

One of the most popular events that we Barons hold is our summer picnic. Last year we started a informal competition for the best home brew served. First place was awarded to the Fat Chance brewing group and their name was engraved on the coveted "Silver Paddle." Now is your opportunity to wrest away the paddle from their grimy little fingers. Last year we had a great variety of 15 beers. This year I expect more! Now is the time to "Fire Up The Kettles". Also those smoking fools, Mike Schlinder and Mike Chaltry will be serving up a BBQ extravaganza. This year there will be plenty for all.

So mark your calendars for September 20, and come hungry (and thirsty too).

Mike Rice VP

WORLD OF BEER SPEAKERS & MEADFEST

Thanks to Jonathan Hamilton of White Winter Winery and Beer Baron Andy Hemken for their presentations at this years Meadfest launch. Next year, we'd like to have a few more homebrew meads besides President Mike Schwartz and John E. O'Brien's potent brews. Get buzzin.'

WJ

It get's kind of ...noisy in the Pavilion, so we rushed the speakers' presentations on stage, seeking that you'd get over to their exhibits. Thanks to World of Beer Speakers Jonathan & Andy; Museum of Beer & Brewing's President Jim Haertel; Author Robin Shepherd plus Jim Jensen for his tasty demo on Lakefront Cherry Peking Duck Tacos.

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Summer is finally here. While I was working out in the yard this morning I was thinking about what new beer styles or inventive beers I might find to try for hot weather this year. Last year New Holland's Lucid Kolsch style was my big hit. Who knows what I'll find this year! We'll be trying several warm weather beers in our July meeting with the "Beers of Summer." Looking forward to it.

The World of Beer Festival is wrapped up and we're finishing the bookkeeping and clean up from it. I think most had a good time. I thought it was a great selection of beers, if I do say so myself. Unfortunately this year's ticket sales were pretty light and we're looking at about breaking even rather than actually generating a profit. It appears the economy was the biggest factor that did us in. We did have a great turnout and effort by club members. A huge thanks and congratulations go out to all who helped out.

We'll also be taking our first shot at voting on some of the constitutional issues. Instead of just the one proposed for last month we'll have two or three that are all pretty straight forward. Ballots will be available at the meeting. Related to this, the officers finally signed the documents for the State to make us an official cooperative.

Summer is also the time most of us start homebrewing for real. This month's meeting is a homebrew meeting and it would be great if we had a number of members bring in cases or kegs. We had four members at Three Cellars this last month to show off their beers to the public. It went well and people were duly impressed with the quality. I sampled many of the beers provided and all I tried ranged from good to fantastic.

The club picnic is another opportunity to show off some homebrew. In that case there's even the traveling mash paddle trophy going to the "best homebrew" as selected by popular opinion. Makes for a lot of fun

Hope to see you at these upcoming meetings and the picnic!

Skol Mike Schwartz

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INCORPORATION UPDATE



In order to become a registered non-profit organization with the IRS, the club first needed to register as a cooperative organization with the State of Wisconsin. At the last Officer's meeting the board members signed the necessary paperwork and approved the \$48 recording fees. For the first time in 19 years the Beer Barons will be considered as a business entity with the State of Wisconsin. The next step is to file with the IRS for a non-profit tax ID.

In the meantime the club will have to amend the constitution to include a non-discrimination clause and change some wording to indicate that we are doing business as the Beer Barons of Milwaukee Cooperative. Stay tuned to the constitutional revision updates for the exact wording or feel free to contact me with any questions.

Special thanks to club members Jack Einberger and Rick Rodriguez for their assistance with this process.

Thanks - Bruce Buerger

EVENT CALENDAR

*** SOLD-OUT: AUGUST 9**

22nd Annual Great Taste of The Midwest - 1-6 PM

Olin-Turville Park, Madison, WI

*** AUGUST 23 - 24 & 30 - 31**

Oktoberfest, Schwabenhof, Menomonee Falls, WI

*** SEPTEMBER 5 - 7, 12 - 14 & 19 - 21**

UGS Oktoberfest, Bavarian Inn, 700 E. Lexington, Glendale, WI

*** SEPTEMBER 13**

Great Lakes Brew Fest - 2-7 PM

Racine Festival Park, Racine, WI - www.greatlakesbrewfest.org -

*** SEPTEMBER 13**

2nd Ann'l Taste of Wisconsin Craft Beer & Cheese Tasting -

Noon - 4 PM - Downtown Beaver Dam, WI - (920) 887-8879

*** SEPTEMBER 14**

Museum of Beer & Brewing Karl Strauss Award Dinner

The Wisconsin Club, Milwaukee, WI - www.brewingmuseum.org

*** SEPTEMBER 20**

Milwaukee Beer Barons' Annual Picnic

*** SEPTEMBER 27**

15th Annual Quivey's Grove Beer Fest - Noon-5 PM

Quivey's Grove, 6261 Nesbitt Rd., Madison, WI

WORLD OF BEER 2008



Jim Jensen's Lakefront Cherry Peking Duck Tacos



VP Mike Rice @ WoB Homebrew Demonstration and
Andy Hemken's Bees & Hive @ Meadfest

MAY 2008 TREASURERS REPORT

By Bruce Buerger

	Debits	Credits	Total
Beginning Balance			\$ 6,756.79
Income			
May Meeting Admission		\$ 465.00	
Membership Fees - May		\$ 225.00	
Apparel \$145.00			
Great Taste / Chilton Tickets		\$ 1,475.00	
Total Income			\$ 2,310.00
Expenses			
Chilton Bus, Food, Beer	\$ 960.00		
Postage - Newsletter	\$ 82.00		
Clifford's - May Hall Fee	\$ 96.00		
Officers Meeting	\$ 50.00		
Shirt / Sweatshirt Order	\$ 1,047.82		
State Fair Homebrew Food	\$ 98.40		
Beebarons.org Yearly Renew	\$ 8.66		
Beebarons.org Web Space Yearly Renew	\$ 93.24		
Business Cards	\$ 28.50		
Newsletters - April & May	\$ 158.00		
May Club Meeting Beer	\$ 588.56		
Total Expenses			\$ 3,211.18
Ending Balance			\$ 5,855.61

MEMBERSHIP

May Meeting Attendees 96
May Meeting Membership Renewals 15

**MIDWEST HOMEBREWERS
CALENDAR**

*** JULY 12**

Indiana State Fair Brewers Cup

Indianapolis, IN

Contact: Anita Johnson

Phone: (317) 257-9463

Entry Fee: Homebrewers \$8

Entry Deadline: June 28

*** JULY 19**

Alcoholmanac, Rock bottom Milwaukee

& Bomb Shelter Brew City Brewoff

Homebrew Competition

The Bomb Shelter,

1517 S. 2nd St., Milwaukee WI - NOON

Entry Fee: \$5 Deadline: July 14 - 19

*** JULY 19**

Appleton Libation Enthusiasts

"All-American Beers"

- Iron Brewer Competition

Stone Cellar Brewing

1004 S. Olde Oneida St., Appleton WI

Deadline: July 11th

www.alectclubcompetitions.com

Cost: 1st Entry - \$7.00,

subsequent entries - \$5.00 each.

*** JULY 19**

Ohio State Fair Homebrew Competition

Columbus, OH

Contact: Brett Chance

Phone: (614) 644-4126

Entry Fee: \$5.00 per entry

Entry Deadline: 06/20

*** JULY 19**

Ohio Brew Week

Homebrew Competition

Athens, OH

Phone: (765) 404-7446

Entry Fee: \$8 1st, \$5 each additional beer

Entry Deadline: June 22

*** AUGUST 23rd - 1 PM:**

Beer Barons Homebrew Club

Brewing 302 - Recipe Formulation:

Where: **House of Hamburg**

(formerly Port of Hamburg)

5937 S Howell Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53207

*** SEPTEMBER 20th - 10 AM**

Beer Barons Homebrew Club

**Brewing 101 – Bare Bones Basic Brew-
ing**

Brewing 301 – Intro to All Grain Brewing

Where: **Picnic area #1** on the Root River Parkway, near 92nd St. and College Ave.

- Brewing 302 - Recipe Formulation:

Wondering which grains and hops you need to use to make that favorite style of yours.

Struggling to figure out why your favorite recipe is so inconsistent? Want your beer to do better in competitions? This class is for you! Like other Baron events, there will be brew present.

When: August 23rd, 2008 1 PM

Where: House of Hamburg (formerly Port of Hamburg), 5937 S Howell Ave., Milwaukee, WI

A Brewing Double Feature!

**- Brewing 101 - Bare Bones Basic Brewing and
Brewing 301 - Intro to All Grain Brewing:**

When: September 20th, 2008 10 AM.

Where: Picnic area #1 on the Root River Parkway, near 92nd Street and College Avenue.

We're going to start the picnic off a little different this year. Before the site is taken over with the wonderful aromas coming off the grill we'll brew up some aromas of our own. Both classes together in one colossal event (well actually two things kind of going on at once before a bigger event). Come see how both methods are done and participate in discussions with experienced home brewers. This is the picnic so yes, brew will be present and plentiful.

Brewing 301 - Intro to All Grain Brewing:

Tired of doing extract brews and want to take it to the next level? Frustrated from reading how it's done and wondering if you would be doing it right? This is the course for you. We'll take you from crush to boil. This course will cover the mash, sparge, and boil.

Brewing 101 - Bare Bones Basic Brewing:

Thinking about giving Home Brewing a try? Maybe you gave it a try but it didn't turn out quite so well? Tired of hearing about Home Brewing at Beer Barons meetings and wishing you could see how it's done? We'll take you through the full process - making the wort, fermentation and bottling. No super technical jargon, no advanced homemade brewing equipment, and no complex beer recipes. We'll make simple ale without the geek speak and use equipment from a Home Brew shop starter kit.

If you're interested in attending this brewing spectacular, or if you have additional class ideas, please visit the Brew-U sign up page and let us know. - <http://www.beerbarons.org/Brew-U/classCatalog.html>

Thanks - Bruce Buerger

BREW CITY BREW-OFF

Homebrews Wanted:

Grand Prize is your brew ramped up to an 8 barrel brew by Dave Bass at Rockbottom - Milwaukee, plus a 1/2 barrel of your winning brew & a private Rockbottom party !!

Entry Fee is \$5. All BJCP categories considered.

Drop-off from July 14 until 11 AM July 19.

Judges & Stewards Wanted:

Join us at The Bomb Shelter, 1517 S. 2nd St.. at Noon on Saturday, July 19 for BJCP Judging Sessions.

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HOMEBREW SHOP**

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(262) 633-8239

234 Wisconsin Ave., Racine 53403

*** The Marketbasket,**

(800) 824-5562

14835 W. Lisbon, Brookfield

*** Homebrewing Depot**

(414) 778-0781

8008 W. National, West Allis

***Purple Foot**

(414) 327-2130

3167 S. 92nd St, Milwaukee

UPCOMING BEER BARONS MEETINGS & EVENTS

JUNE 25: Monthly Meeting @ Clifford's - "Homebrew Night"- Northwest Extract's Michael Peter - 7:30 PM

JULY 1: Officers Meeting @ Delafield Brewhaus - 7:30 PM

JULY 23: Monthly Meeting @ Clifford's - "Beers of Summer" - 7:30 PM

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