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AUGUST 2008 TREASURERS REPORT

By Bruce Buerger

Beginning Balance **\$6,310.59**

Income

August Meeting Admission	\$435.00
Membership Fees - August	\$195.00
Great Taste Tickets	\$300.00
Summer Picnic	\$310.00
Brew U - Recipe Formulation	\$55.00
Total Income	\$1,295.00

Expenses

Postage - Newsletter	\$84.00
Officers Meeting	\$25.50
Beer - August Meetings	\$350.00
Cliffords - August Meeting	\$89.00
Brew U - Recipe Formulation	\$26.00
Great Taste Food & Bus	\$1,006.24
Membership Overpayment	\$15.00
Total Expenses	\$1,595.74

Ending Balance **\$6,009.85**

August Meeting Attendees:	87
New Memberships:	2
Membership Renewals:	10
Memberships Expired Last Month:	7

Total Paid Membership: 163 **Trial Members:** 16

PICNIC RAFFLE PRIZES

Thanks to the following homebrew shops who either donated products, or offered them at a discount: Frugal Homebrewer - Waukesha, Homebrew Depot, Market Basket and Purple Foot.

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

I'd like to start off by thanking Jeff Enders and Dan Schlosser for bringing in their great homebrew last month. I hope that the building trend continues. The board approved a set rate for homebrew reimbursement of \$30/keg or two cases to be prorated based on consumption. This is a base amount that can be increased at the discretion of the VP if it's a bigger or special beer. I encourage all members to bring in your brews and take advantage of this offer! This is a homebrewing club after all.

The board is also cooking up a couple things that we hope you'll like. An option to pay for all your meeting fees when you pay your annual dues. The fee would be less than if you come to all the meetings and pay individually. This is possible through use of the membership cards and all memberships expiring the same date.

We're also working out the details of on-line payment of dues, fees, and other expenses using Google Checkout and possibly PayPal. This will allow members to pay for most club related expenses through our web site using a credit card. It presents minimal cost to the club and gets some of this business away from the meeting time. It worked out great for World of Beer. The goal is to get enough people to use these options to reduce the money handling and time spent at the start of meetings so we can focus on the meeting. It'll also help with budget planning. You'll be hearing more about these things in October when we have the details worked out.

Skol Mike Schwartz

THE BARONS BREWBLOG GOES LIVE

<http://brewblog.beerbarons.org>

You've seen previews of this at Brew U events and you've heard about it at club meetings, but now it's time to try it yourself. The Beer Barons BrewBlog is now live and is waiting to help you with your brewing experiences.

What is it? It's an easy to use, browser-based homebrew log that provides brewers with a way to build and record their brewing experiences. It also serves as a forum for sharing efforts and expertise with the homebrewing community around the world. (To date we've received web hits from Alaska, New York, and Colorado to name a few).

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PARALLEL BREW by DAN SCHLOSSER

It's back again.

The Beer Barons are going to do another Parallel Brew.

The concept will be similar to when we did this last year. A handful of club members will be given a recipe and ingredients for a batch of beer. Each member will then brew a batch so that the only variables will be the brewer and equipment. The resulting beer will be served at a meeting where the club will be able to evaluate the results.

As before, a goal of this exercise is to illustrate how much of a different result there can be between these brewers making what should be the exact same beer. And of course the other goal is to have 25-30 gallons of beer to drink at a club meeting.

The first time we did this using an Extract recipe. The second time we did an All-Grain batch. This time we are looking at a mix of both. We are looking at possibly selecting 6 brewers this time. They can work alone or as part of a team that will brew together. We are hoping to end up with brewers that represent a range of skill levels and equipment as we did the first two times.

The recipe is not finalized, but it will likely be a Brown Porter (BJCP 12A).

The schedule for this has been tentatively set as follows:

Meeting	Activity
October	Select Brewers
November	Distribute Ingredients and recipe
January	Serve the beer

This will give everyone 2 months to brew, ferment and keg the beer.

If you are interested in participating make sure that you attend the October meeting or let us know that you want to be included. If we have more than 6 volunteers we will use a random drawing to make the selections.

BREW-U EVENTS

Brewing 401 – Intro To Sensory Analysis & Brewing 402 – BJCP Training:

The Sensory Evaluation classes will tentatively be held on Friday October 17 and November 14 at 7:00PM at House of Hamburg.

Make sure you sign up. Reading lists and course materials will be available around the time you get this. Check the Brew-U section of the web site or forum. Contact Mike Schwartz with questions (Brew-U contact form on the web site).

This class is required for anybody planning to attend the BJCP study sessions starting in January unless you've been through the program before.

Preliminary Schedule for Brew U in 2009

We received a lot of good feedback regarding Brew U in 2008 so now we're working on making it even better for 2009.

Here is the preliminary schedule of dates for next year:

- BJCP Classes – January through April 2009.
- Bare Bones Basic Brewing – January 17th, 2009.
- Intermediate Home Brewing – February 7th, 2009.
- Recipe Formulation – August 22, 2009.
- Bare Bones Basic Brewing & Intro to All Grain Brewing – November 7th, 2009 (AHA Teach Friend to Home Brew Day)
- Intro to Sensory Analysis – October through November 2009.

We're also contemplating a series of workshops that would focus on single specific topics such as hops, sanitation, specialty malts, etc. Send an e-mail to us with any questions or suggestions you may have, or visit us on the Beer Baron Forum at <http://forums.beerbarons.org/>.

Thanks – Bruce Buerger & Mike Schwartz

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* Purple Foot

(414) 327-2130

3167 S. 92nd St, Milwaukee

UPCOMING HOMEBREW COMPETITIONS

* AHA Club-Only Competition Imperial Anything

Macomb Township, MI

Contact: Fred Bonjour (248) 872-0403

Entry Fee: One entry per club - \$7

Entry Deadline: 10/11/2008

* Schleswig Wine & Bier Contest, Schleswig, IA

Contact: Don Thompson (712) 643-5333

Entry Fee: \$5.00 per entry

Entry Deadline: 10/19/2008

* Franco-Belgian Challenge Cup, Fitchburg, WI

Contact: Mark Schneppe (608) 882-4523

Entry Fee: \$5.00

Entry Deadline: 10/29/2008

* Land of the Muddy Water, Rock Island, IL

Contact: Jason Gabriel (563) 529-3165

Entry Fee: \$8 first entry, \$6 subsequent entries

Entry Deadline: 11/07/2008

SOME OF THE FEATURES INCLUDE:

- The capability to completely document your homebrew recipe or brewing experience.
- Ingredients used and steps taken.
- Dynamic pop up boxes that display information about a listed style, malts, hops, etc.
- Quick scale calculator. Take a recipe down to 5 gallons or ramp it up to 10 with a click of the mouse.
- A suite of brewing calculators. Alcohol level, total calories, brewhouse efficiency, bitterness level, water amount needed, priming sugar needed, force carbonation level, and more.
- A reference area providing users with information on BJCP styles, hop varieties, malts, grains, and adjuncts.

The Beer Barons BrewBlog
Dedicated to the Education and Enjoyment of Fermented Malt Beverages

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Home > Club Recipes > Jeff Enders's Recipes > Jeff's Texas Brown Ale

Recipe: Jeff's Texas Brown Ale

Specifics

Style: American Brown Ale BJCP®
Contributor: Jeff Enders
Yield: 5 gallons
Color: 18 SRM
Bitterness: 31 IBU
BU/GU: 0.5
Calories: 202 (12 ounces)
ABV: 6.9%
ABW: 5.4%

OG: 1.062
OG (Plato): 15.21° P
FG: 1.010
FG (Plato): 2.56° P
Real Extract: 4.85° P
App. Atten.: 83.2%
Real Atten.: 68.1%

General Information

Method: All Grain

Recipe

Scale This Recipe
Enter desired final yield (volume): gallons

Grains

9.10 pounds	American Pale Malt (2-Row)	75.8% of grist
1.00 pounds	American Special Roast	8.3% of grist
1.25 pounds	Crystal Malt 60L	10.4% of grist
0.65 pounds	American Chocolate Malt	5.4% of grist
12.00 pounds	Total Grain Weight	100% of grist

Miscellaneous Ingredients (Non-Fermentable)

1 tsp	Wyeast Yeast Nutrient @ 10 minutes (Boil)
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Awards & Competitions

Entry Name: Jeff's Texas Brown Ale
Competition: 2001 Wisconsin State Fair Amateur Brewers Show
Date: May 10, 2001
Style: American Brown Ale
Place: Honorable Mention

Entry Name: Jeff's Texas Brown Ale
Competition: 2003 AHA Tech Talk Competition- Brown Ale Category
Date: Mar 01, 2003
Style: American Brown Ale
Place: 1st (Gold)

Jeff's Recipes

All Club Recipes
Jeff's Texas Brown Ale
Kafir Lime Pale Ale
Russian Imperial Stout

MORE FEATURES:-

- The ability to export recipes to Excel spreadsheets or to a BeerXML file.
- Print recipes or competition entry forms with bottle labels.
- A Brewing calendar of events for individual members or the entire club.
- An awards section for brewers to list how their beers have done in competitions.
- Allows visitors to submit reviews of other people's homebrews that they've tried.
- And much, much, more.....

This site is free for all to reference or submit a review, however, if you'd like to post your recipes, create a brewblog, list an award, or have a member page, you'll need to get a login and password from the administrator.

TO GET YOUR OWN PERSONAL LOGIN, YOU MUST:

1. Be a member of the club.
2. Email us at brewblogadmin@beerbarons.org with your full name and an e-mail address that matches our records.

Contact Bruce Buerger if you'd like additional information, or e-mail us at brewblogadmin@beerbarons.org.

BEER EVENT CALENDAR

*** NOW TO OCTOBER 5**

Oktoberfest Munchen, Munich, Germany

*** SEPTEMBER 26 - 28**

Harvest Fair, Wisconsin State Fair, West Allis, WI

*** SEPTEMBER 26 - OCTOBER 4**

LaCrosse Oktoberfest

Oktoberfest Grounds & City Brewery, LaCrosse, WI

*** SEPTEMBER 27**

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

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

*** OCTOBER 1**

Suds Club Beer Tasting, featuring Chimay – 7 PMish

Bomb Shelter, 1517 S, 2nd St, Milwaukee, WI

*** OCTOBER 4**

6th Annual Tyranena Oktoberfest Bike Ride

Tyranena Brewing Co., 1025 Owens St., Lake Mills, WI

*** OCTOBER 8**

Suds Club Beer Tasting, featuring Goose Island – 7 PMish

Bomb Shelter, 1517 S, 2nd St, Milwaukee, WI

*** OCTOBER 9**

Lagunitas Brewery Tasting - 5-7 PM

3 Cellars, Franklin, WI

*** OCTOBER 9 - 11**

Great American Beer Festival. Denver, CO

*** OCTOBER 10**

Pabst Mansion Retro Beer Night - 6-8 PM

Pabst Mansion, 2000 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, WI -

www.pabstmansion.com

*** OCTOBER 18 - 19**

Wisconsin Dells On Tap

La Crosse Street Festival Site, Wisconsin Dells, WI - :

(800) 223-3557 - www.wisdells.com

UPCOMING BEER BARONS MEETINGS & EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 24: Monthly Meeting featuring Stouts, Porters, ... @ Clifford's - 7:30 PM
OCTOBER 7: Officers Meeting @ The Bowery - 3023 W. Ryan Rd., Franklin, WI - 7:30 PM
OCTOBER 22: Monthly Meeting @ Clifford's - 7:30 PM

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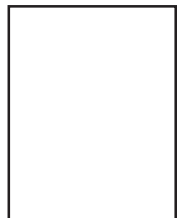
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