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WWW.BEERBARONS.ORG

President's Letter

Hey Barons,

We are getting closer to my favorite event of the year, [World of Beer Fest](#). Hopefully you have already signed up to volunteer. If you haven't yet, there is still time. This event is a great chance to give back to the club and the craft beverage community. This is also a fantastic event to introduce to your friends/family/co-workers who are just getting into the hobby (yes, that is what it is). One price and you get to sample 300+ craft beers, meads, and ciders.

If you didn't get a chance to make it out to Big Brew Day at [Spike Brewing](#), you should check out the pictures on our Facebook page. We brewed up a saison where we will be using multiple yeast strains and serving these beers at WOB. We got to brew on Spike's 50 gallon all electric system and a great time was had by all.

Finally, the weather is getting consistently nicer outside so get those kettles going and bring in some of the delicious homebrew to share at a meeting.

Slainte,

Jason

Vice President's Letter

Hello Barons,

I would like to first encourage our members to sign up (if they haven't already) to either be a volunteer or a participant at World of Beer. WOB, is a club planned and executed event that funds much of what our club does. Additionally, you spreading the word will dramatically increase the success of the event - so post and repost the Barons and WOB posts on your social media accounts.

Second, I would like to thank Spike Brewing and our own member Josh Strupp for organizing the successful Big Brew Day at Spike's Riverwest facility. It was really cool to see everyone together for such a large brew day! (Pilot System anyone....?)

A few general announcements - echo'd from last month!

- **June Meeting!** As I continue to plan our meeting revolving around water, I appreciate the few of you who have reached out to me regarding the meeting, I would certainly like to have a few more people ready to volunteer.
- If you were a part of the Barrel Aging meeting last year, we need your barrels back for our Sour Project! Please let me know when you empty your barrel.
- Pre-Meeting Evaluation is starting up again! Bring a bottle of your home brew to our own BJCP certified judges for live feedback. Starts roughly at 7pm.

Last, in September we are planning to do an Oktoberfest style night. I have already sent out an IO email blast (and I thank those who have already signed up), however, if you are interested in brewing an example of the style for September's (9/26) meeting, please let me know directly! Please know I would be open to any beer brewed to fit the 2015 BJCP category 4, not only limited to Oktoberfest.

Cheers,
Max

Interested in attending the
next
Officer's Meeting?

The Board meeting is open to all members, and after the meeting stick around for a social time. Come out and try a new place to drink and see what's on Tap.
Next Location is

**Von Rothenburg Bier
Stube**

(N116 W15863 Main St,
Germantown, WI 53022)

Thanks for joining us.

7pm sharp for meeting.



Treasurer's Report

This is Summer beer drinking weather. That lawnmower beer never tasted so good! If you missed Chilton Beer Fest and would like a great summer road trip, see Rich Binkowski for tickets to the Great Taste of the Midwest in Madison, in August. Our April meeting had 48 Gold members, 40 Regular members, 8 guests, and 2 new members. Be sure to welcome anyone new, let them know you favorite part of meeting night. Our club account had \$6705 after tickets to Great Taste and Chilton were purchased. We are now in the process of budgeting for the club picnic, Holiday party as well as Belgium night in November. While World of Beer is not a club account, it is a club event. Please support our big fundraiser in anyway you can. It takes quite a few members to pull the WoB event off. Thank you to the members of WoB committee for all the pre-planning that goes into it. Please bear with the trials being run to computerize/update our meeting night check-in system. A big thank you to Mike Andes for his input into the designing of an informational glossy tab to be left at various commercial operations, as well as club sponsored serving events to advertise the club's existence and information. We are also in the process of creating a new member's or first time attending, web page which should have a link on the club's Home page. Catch up with all the club happenings as well as any input you would like to submit, and think about becoming a board member, at our next board meeting. See the Home web page or Baron in Mind for details.

Cheers,
Mike B.

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Big Brew Day at Spike Brewing

The Beer Barons joined Spike Brewing at their facility on Saturday, May 5th to brew a Saison for Big Brew Day 2018. The saison was brewed on Spike's 50 gallon pilot system in their test brewery, and they allowed us to utilize 3 of their conical fermenters to experiment with different yeast strains. There were also some carboys that went home with members for further yeast experimentation. The resulting beer will then be served at the World of Beer Festival, where Spike will be set up next to the Barons on the Homebrew Patio. Stop by and check out the results, as well as ask which yeasts were used for which ones. The carboys will be brought to a future meeting on Saisons to further dissect the results.



UPCOMING EVENTS



Our very own World of Beer Festival is upon us! On **Saturday, June 2nd**, we will be hosting the best beer festival around at The Schwabenhof (N56W14750 Silver Spring Drive, Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin 53051). Please consider signing up to volunteer, it is one of the best experiences of the fest. We can always use extra hands setting up, breaking down, and serving great beer. Don't want to volunteer but still join in the festivities, there are still [tickets available](#). Tell your friends and come enjoy the fest with us!

BEER BARONS SALE:

We have glass and o-ring kits available for purchase:

- **Howlers (32oz. w/cap)** **\$3**
- **Tasting Glasses** **\$1**
- **O-Ring Kits** **\$5**

All items can be purchased at the check-in table before every meeting

Beer Barons - Code of Conduct

Our goal is to improve our members' knowledge of home brewing and its enjoyment.

Please show your respect and courtesy to the people you have elected to do the business of this club and the guest speakers that are graciously giving their time to come and put on a presentation for you by being **QUIET** during the meeting.

- Nothing is to be removed from this room that YOU did not bring in (That means the club beers stays). Please leave all un-opened beer for others to enjoy at other events
- NO outside food is allowed to be brought into the meeting that was not purchased at Clifford's
- Only exception is for snack items to enjoy with your beer
 - Pretzels, popcorn, nuts
 - Chips & dip
 - Cheese, sausage & crackers
 - Smoked or canned fish items

**Please bring your own glass and
clean up after yourself**

- Everyone must check-in with the treasurer, show your membership card, and pay your meeting fee to receive a wristband

- Please put your wristband on your wrist (not on your glass/horn)
NO guns or weapons of any kind allowed
in the meeting

NO SMOKING allowed in the building

Listen - Learn - Ask questions
Someone *will* have the answer

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UPCOMING BEER BARONS MEETINGS AND EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, May 23th: Monthly Meeting @ Clifford's, Homebrew Systems

SATURDAY, June 2nd: World of Beer Fest @ The Schwabenhof

WEDNESDAY, June 6th: Officers' Meeting @ Von Rothenburg Bier Stube

WEDNESDAY, June 27th: Monthly Meeting @ Clifford's, TBD

Check out
The Barons Website
For more info

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