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## **President's Letter**

Hello Barons, I hope you are enjoying your summer and have been brewing as much as you can find time for, I know I have been. As of this writing, Firkin Fest will be happening in a few days and we will be pouring and the summer picnic is right around the corner. If you haven't already, pencil in September 8<sup>th</sup> into your calendar so you can make the picnic. As always, we will be having a beer competition and a food competition. The last few years have produced some fantastic offerings and this year should be the same.

If you haven't seen from our IO email forum, I want to congratulate James Werner for his 3<sup>rd</sup> place <u>National</u> <u>Homebrew Con</u> win in Category 32 Standard Cider & Perry. I'm just hoping he will share a few tips with me during social hour of the general meeting.

I would also like to mention that we are currently in the search for people to run for Officers' positions for next year. There are a few positions that will have new people in them for sure because of term limits, President being one of them. If you are even remotely interested any of these, please speak to any one of the officers. If you don't want to do it in person, please send an email into <u>officers@beerbarons.org</u>. Trust me, it is not a huge time commitment and you will make some great new friends along the way. You can have a big voice in the direction of the club and have a lot of fun doing it.

August 1 will be our next Officers' meeting and it will be at Bert's Bar in St. Francis at 7:00. The folks there always help us out with food for the picnic as well as other donations throughout the year. There is a good beer selection and they also have very good food. If you haven't been there yet, make a point to swing by and see one of the places who help make the club what it is.

Slainte,

Rohloff

Vice President's Letter

Hello Barons,

First, I would like to take a moment to thank Jason Otto for a great presentation last month and Patrick for his supplementary information. I would also like to thank all of the home brewers who brought in a sample of their home brew along side a sample of their water. I really enjoy it when we can leverage the diverse talents of our membership to put together such an informative presentation. Seriously - Thank you!

This month is all about Saisons! In May, the Barons partnered with Spike Brewing and brewed a batch on the pilot system in their Riverwest production facility (thanks Spike for letting us throw a bash in your space). The large batch was split among 5 brewers who then pitched different yeasts to the wort.

Let's join our well known Barons member, and BJCP Judge, Bruce Buerger as he breaks down the Saison style and the characteristic differences between the beers. We will also have several other homebrew Saisons on tap for sampling.

**As a quick reminder**, please notify me directly if you plan on bringing any homebrew, this month I would like to keep the focus on Saisons (email me if you have any questions).

Cheers,

Max

Interested in attending the next

<u>Officer's Meeting?</u> 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

# Bert's Bar & Grill

(3907 S Lake Drive, St Francis, 53235)

Thanks for joining us.

7pm sharp for meeting.



# Treasurer's Report

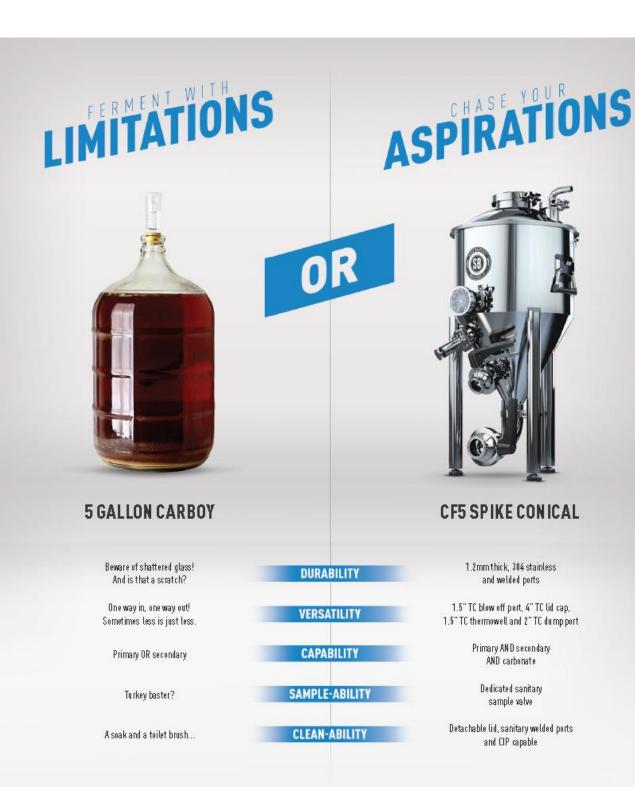
Just got back from the Home Brew Convention out in Portland, Oregon. Wonderful time, beautiful place. Couple of quick take aways. Check into hop creep. No, not the guy sitting next to you. It is a process that starts fermentation again during the dry hopping secondary. This leads to introduction of diacetyl, which then needs more time for the yeast to chew it up. I never knew that. Also, rest easy, the BJCP has now adopted the New England IPA as a provisional style.

The club bank account stands at \$9653. It is a little bloated for a couple of bills coming due, but I think we are in good shape.

Great Taste is coming up in August. Rich B has the tickets and the list. My opinion is that the Great Taste is one of the best beer festivals of the year. Second only to WoB. Brewed my first ale with a touch of rye. Anxious to see if I want to drink 5 gallons of it. Got a ton of info at AHA BrewCon on making sour beers; that will be next on deck. Mark your calendars for our club picnic in September, I know Jared will plan a great time. See you at the July meeting. Also anxious to see what is planned for the August meeting, check it out on our calendar.

Cheers! Mike Borchert

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# **Great Taste of the Midwest**

Every August, the Beer Barons take a bus trip to Madison for the Great Taste of the Midwest beer fest. This festival is one of the best in the country and only a short bus ride away. It's something I look forward to every year because of the mood, the company, and of course, the BEER!! The time spent riding the bus and talking beer; the thousand people taking over Olin Park; the hundreds of breweries representing their wares, including some awesome swag; it is absolutely amazing! And I can't forget about the view—park sits next to Lake Monona. Bring a lawn chair and take a break in between samples to take in the day. Our trip includes the coach bus trip there and back, and a box lunch that comes in particularly handy! See Richard Binkowksi for tickets, and you can thank me later.



# UPCOMING EVENTS

Bob Wilson Memorial Event @ Wehr Nature Center—August 2nd

Hales Corners Summer Program @ Hales Corners Library—Food pairing on August 8th or 15th (still confirming details)

Great Taste of the Midwest—August 11th

# **BEER BARONS SALE:**

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

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

**O-Ring Kits** 

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 being 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

## **<u>Club Links</u>**

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WEDNESDAY, July 25th: Monthly Meeting @ Clifford's, Saison WEDNESDAY, August 8th: Officers' Meeting @ Bert's Bar & Grill WEDNESDAY, July 25th: Monthly Meeting @ Clifford's, Surprise Visitor Check out The Barons Website For more info



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