

# October 2018 www.beerbarons.org **BARON MIND**



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WWW.BEERBARONS.ORG

### President's Letter

Hello Barons. The fall is such a great time in Wisconsin. The leaves are changing, it's playoff baseball time, football season is in mid-swing and the Bucks are about to kick off their first season in a new arena. Oh, and it's Barrel Night with the Beer Barons of Milwaukee. Sadly, I will be away on business so I will not be able to attend this meeting but I hear the Rye on Rye clone is pretty fantastic.

As I have mentioned before, we are getting close to election time for our club. Currently, there will be guaranteed turnover for President, VP, Treasurer, Sergeant at Arms, and one of the Members at Large. I urge you to consider running for one of these roles. I was asked on a whim to run for a role 4 years ago and volunteered with some trepidation but now can say that I likely wouldn't have gotten to know so many of you without doing so and probably wouldn't have made the great friends that I have without getting involved as an officer with this club. If you truly enjoy the programming every month and have the opportunity to share brewing techniques, ideas, homebrews, and learn about some of the great commercial breweries in our area, I implore you to take a chance and volunteer. You will have the backing of the club and former officers who will assist in the transition and help you along the way.

Lastly, we will be doing a second Big Brew Day at Spike Brewing on Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> from 11-4. Josh Strupp is leading this event where we will be brewing a Helles and pitching a variety of different ale/lager yeast strains and playing with some different temperature variations so we can serve at a meeting early next year. If you are interested in joining, please see Josh at the meeting or contact him at stru0087@gmail.com

Sláinte,

Jason

#### Vice President's Letter

Hey Barons,

This month's general meeting will be the 2nd Annual Barrel Aged Beer Project. In this project, the Beer Barons purchase used barrels for aging a brew of the team's choice. This year we have several teams, along with individuals, who also aged beer for sampling.

Please join us in the sampling of these beers as each of the teams discuss their recipe, their barrel selection, the barrel condition, and the process they took to make and age the beer.

After these barrels have been used for aged beers, we unleash them to the team for sour / funky beer experiments. Please let me know if you are interested.

We will also be continuing our pre-meeting beer evaluation. Starting at 7pm, if you have a beer you want to get real-time feedback, bring in a bottle or two and have several BJCP judges provide constructive criticism to help make you a better brewer.

For those of you who are new, our general meeting will be held on October 24th, begins at 7:30pm and will be in its usual location at Clifford's Supper Club located at 10418 W Forest Home Ave, Hales Corners, WI 53130.

Last - next month's meeting will be our usual Belgian night! However, please note, it will occur the **4th Wednesday of November.** This meeting we will nominate our next officers, so please let a current officer know if you are interested!

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

# **Eagle Park Brewing**

(823 E Hamilton St, Milwaukee, WI 53202)

Thanks for joining us.

7pm sharp for meeting.



## **Treasurer's Report**

Are you ready for Halloween? Either you like Pumpkin Spice beer, or you don't. As I type, my very first sour is fermenting. Again, either you like sours, or you don't. Hey, buy me a beer and we can talk about it. In the meantime, our bank account stands at \$7707.57. There are picnic expenses to be paid yet, as well as Schnapps Hans Cup expenses. Looking forward, Barrel Night, Belgian Night, and the Holiday Party are on the horizon. I know Max has some great meetings coming up. Still looking for the next year's board members. Consider checking out a board meeting to see what position you would enjoy. The board is a great place to get in on the ground floor in all activities beer related. At least have a beer and enjoy the new venue each month. If you brew more in the cooler weather, what's up for this Fall and Winter? Let me know, looking for some good ideas. See you at the October meeting and please drink responsibly.

-Mike Borchert

# 2018 Membership Options

Individual Membership......\$20 Family Membership w/1 Gold Card ... \$110

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# ASPIRATIONS



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- Member discounts at over 2,000+ beer-centric locations across the country (bars, restaurants, Brewers Publications books, etc.)
- Access to a database of proven homebrew recipes, as well as a robust library of clone recipes
- Expert advice from online seminars, tutorials and forums
- Exclusive event access to HomebrewCon, National Homebrew Competition, and early access to the Great American Beer Festival)

So what are you waiting for?? <u>Here is a link</u> to sign up as a Beer Baron of Milwaukee. If you are already a member but need to link yourself to the Barons, <u>here is the link</u> for that. If you want assistance, please speak with an office as we are more than willing to assist. If you need online access, we can help there too so don't hesitate to ask. Any other questions, feel free to speak with an officer.



# **Photos**

# Do you have a knack for taking pictures? Do you attend lots of Barons' events?

We are looking for you!! We would like to feature more photos with the recaps of our events. Please keep this in mind as you attend the Barrel Aged Beer Night this month, the second Big Brew Day on Saturday, November 10th at Spike, or the Holiday Party in December, to take lots of pictures of the crew having fun. Send your pics to officers@beerbarons.org and feel free to add a little story about what's going on, or what a good time you had. Any questions, reach out to an officer. Thank you!

## **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

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

## **Club Links**

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## **UPCOMING BEER BARONS MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

WEDNESDAY, October 24th: Monthly Meeting @ Clifford's, Barrel Aged Project Night

WEDNESDAY, November 7th: Officers' Meeting @ Eagle Park Brewing WEDNESDAY, November 28th: Monthly Meeting @ Clifford's, Belgian Night

Check out
The Barons Website
For more info



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