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# BARON MIND

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# Twisted Path

## DISTILLERY

This month we welcome Brian Sammons from Twisted Path Distillery. Founded in 2013 and located in Bayview since 2014, Twisted Path is know for producing high quality, organic sprits in small batches.

# President's Letter

WOW what a night! Iron Brewer – Club only Competition

Thanks to Jason Otto who worked his butt off getting all the Iron Brewer beers on the jockey box while keeping the brewers secret. Many thanks to the rest of the board who worked hard handling a busy enrollment night *and* lending their hands to our Iron Brewer contest. Thanks to all who were in attendance and voted for their favorite beers and to our Brewers, Thanks everyone!!

We had 11 really good beers... here are the brewers and what they brewed:

<b>Iron Brewer</b>		<b>Beer</b>
Patrick McHugh/Jaren Sutliff	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	NEIPA
Mike Starcić	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	NEIPA
Stan Walter	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Chocolate Oatmeal Stout
Tom Nowalis		British Golden Ale
Jason Rohloff		Cherry Gose
Joel Taylor		Oatmeal Cookie Dessert
Jon Greene		Oatmeal Brown Ale
JD Blythin/Renee Weinberger		Oatmeal Raisin Cookie Brown
Jeff Enders		Pineapple Saison
Terry Keefe		Old Bitter
Rahshal Kowal		Pale Ale

The ingredients - 5 pounds of Mecca Grade Lamonta and 1 large container of Flaked Oatmeal. I encourage you to give Oatmeal and/or Mecca Grade Malt a try in an upcoming brew. Please listen to *Experimental Home Brewing Podcast – “The Mighty Oat”* if you would like more information on using Oatmeal in your beer.

So what's next... Tom has a nice night planned for us this month, and in March we will have another club only contest “March Madness”. Looking a little further ahead, we would like to start a list of who is planning on attending Home Brew Con, June 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>, in Nashville TN at Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention just let one of the Officers know if you plan on attending. Thanks

Cheers to all,  
Rahshal

## Iron Brewer Challenge

**Thank You!**

**To all of our participants**

**Congratulations!**

**to our winners**



# Membership Renewal Process

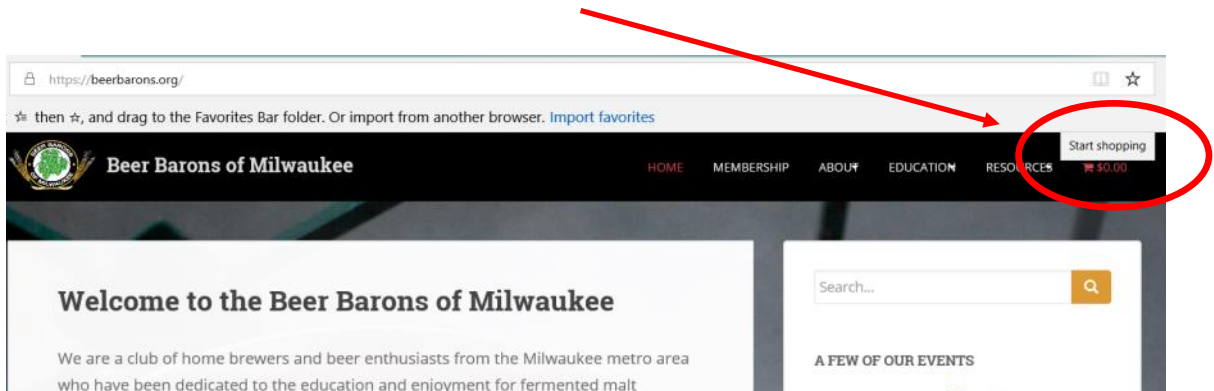
**Just a reminder that 2019 memberships expired 1/31/20**

To expedite the check-in process and membership card distribution at the February meeting:

- If paying in person, please come to the meeting early, with the appropriate amount of cash (remember, **we cannot take credit cards at the meeting**) and be patient while waiting to check-in
- If paying on-line through the website, please try to do so at least a day before the meeting so the check-in list is up to date at the meeting. If you pay the day of, the process and all of the people behind you may held up if we need to log in to verify your payment.

To Pay Online:

- Go to [www.Beerbarons.org](http://www.Beerbarons.org)
- Click on the shopping cart icon in the upper left corner to be directed to the membership renewal page



## Membership Renewal Options and Fees

Type	Description	Annual Dues	Meeting Fee per Meeting
Single – Regular	Membership for 1 person	\$20	\$10
Single — Gold	Membership and Gold card for one person	\$20 + \$80 Gold card = \$100	\$0
Family — Regular	Membership for 2 people living in the same home	\$30	\$10 per person
Family — 1 Gold	Membership for 2 people living in the same home—1 member with gold card	\$30 + \$80 Gold card = \$110	\$0 for Gold card member \$10 for regular member
Family — 2 Gold	Membership for 2 people living in the same home, both members gold card	\$30 + \$140 2 Gold cards = \$170	\$0
Guest	Non-member meeting fee	N/A	\$15

## Vice President's Update

Howdy Barons,

As of the time I write this, the sun is shining and the Groundhog DIDN'T see his shadow, hopefully we are in for an early Spring. Although this winter feels a bit like spring compared to last year's polar vortex. I want to Thank Rahshal for the Iron Brewer meeting last month and thank you to our fellow officers who helped distribute the entries. I hope everybody had a great time tasting and voting on the entries. Also, thank you to Jason Rohloff who brought forth the idea of a Fantasy Draft and a March Madness competition. Next month we will be doing a similar format to the Iron Brewer with the March Madness entries.

This month we welcome Brian Sammons from Twisted Path Distillery. In a past life Brian was a CIA counter intelligence officer, an attorney, and now master distiller. I am intrigued to hear more about his story and his business. Please give him a warm welcome.

Cheers!  
Tom

**Save the Date!**  
**Bus trip to Chicago May 2, 2020**



Stay tuned for more details and let Tom Nowalis know if you have any brewery suggestions



**Jason Rohloff, Renee Weinberger and Dave Janowski represented the Beer Barons at the 22nd Annual Food and Froth**





# Treasurer Report

Happy Brewing Barons. Typically speaking, January and February are busy times for the Treasurer of the Club because it is membership renewal time, and it is also time to manage the club's PayPal account. This year is no exception. The PayPal account is used to collect money from individuals paying for Midwinter registration fees, and for club membership fees. With that said, our club is in good financial health with a Club bank balance of \$8,177.44, as of 1/31/20. Keep in mind that this does not include a large check of approximately \$900 for the Christmas Party, so the actual balance is closer to \$7,277. Comparatively, the bank balance one year ago (on 1/31/19) was \$6,815.

Your 2019 membership expired on January 31<sup>st</sup>, and as pointed out above, the renewal process is in full swing. If you haven't renewed already, it may be easiest for you to do so on PayPal, so you don't have to wait in a potentially long line at the sign-in desk at the February meeting. Please check the club website to pay through PayPal and for membership options.

We had 78 individuals attend the January general meeting (Iron Brewer), and our deposit was \$1,329 for new membership and meeting fees. When comparing to attendance at the January 2019 General meeting, we had 66 individuals attend.

Thank you to all club members that helped at the Midwinter Homebrew Competition, and congratulations to all club members that medaled.



## February - Did You Know???



Let's talk different words that mean 'Beer' in languages other than English, or words that are related to beer. Did you know that the Greek word 'Zythos' means beer; thus, the study of beer is called 'Zythology' in Greek. If you receive the magazine called 'Zymurgy', you probably know that zymurgy means the study of fermentation in brewing, winemaking or distilling. How to say 'Beer' in other languages?

Answers on page 12.

Match the word for 'Beer' to the correct language:



- | <u>Language</u> | <u>Word</u> |
|-----------------|-------------|
| 1. Czech        | A. Cerveza  |
| 2. Italian      | B. Birra    |
| 3. Hawaiian     | C. Pivo     |
| 4. Spanish      | D. Bier     |
| 5. Dutch        | E. Pia      |



Live Life & Enjoy Beer! PK





# Midwinter Home Brew Competition Thank you!!



The 2020 Midwinter Home Brew Competition received a total of 820 entries this year, 246 which were meads and 28 which were ciders. Thank you to all of the participants, judges, stewards and volunteers who made this year's competition a success!







**MOB ★ CRAFT**



In conjunction with this year's Midwinter Homebrew Competition, a food and beer pairing event was held. Thanks to the Chef and staff of Revere's Wells Street Tavern, Mobcraft, Giant Jones Brewing Co., Milwaukee Brewing Co. and Lakefront Brewery for a great event!



## **Volunteers Needed!**

**We are hosting one of the regional 1st round judging sessions for NHC**



**Bottle Sorting Saturday, March 7th at Northern Brewer  
Judging March 27th and 28th at Delafield Brewhaus**

**For more information or to volunteer for sorting, contact Brian Joas at [bjoas22@gmail.com](mailto:bjoas22@gmail.com)**

**Sign up to steward at [brewingcompetition.com](http://brewingcompetition.com), select Milwaukee**



# The Tastes of Hales Corners

Friends  
of the  
Hales Corners  
Library



## Wine & Beer Tasting Thursday, March 5, 2020

6:30 to 9:00 p.m.

### Hales Corners Library

\$100 – Exclusive First Serving

(includes 2 tickets, 6 p.m. entrance & reserved parking)

\$35 per person (advance sale)      \$40 (at the door)

\$10 – Designated Driver (at the door)

Hosted by the Friends of the Library.

All proceeds support programs at the Hales Corners Library.

- ❖ 50+ new wines from around the world, highlighting best value wines coordinated by Consumer Beverage of Hales Corners and featuring “Mike’s Picks”
- ❖ A selection of homebrew beers provided by the Beer Barons of Milwaukee
- ❖ Hot and cold appetizers from That’s Amoré, Tanpopo, Zilli’s, The Bosch Tavern and other Hales Corners restaurants
- ❖ Delicious desserts with fresh brewed coffee
- ❖ 2 floors of wine, beer and food, upstairs in the library as well as downstairs in the Hunt Room

Tickets on sale at the Library,  
Consumer Beverages, and online @  
[www.HalesCornersLibrary.org](http://www.HalesCornersLibrary.org)



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Jonathon Greene, Lori and Terry McDonald represented the Barons at this year's Fond du Lac Brewfest



## 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  
Enjoy the meeting & guest speakers



MEET THE

# SPIKE FLEX



Nashville, TN

June 18 –20, 2020

Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center

Registration opens: **March 10, 10:00 a.m. MT**

Early bird discount ends: **April 13, 11:59 p.m. MT**

<https://www.homebrewcon.org/register/>



Tired of beer festivals where you spend more time in line waiting for a beer than you do tasting them?

# **WORLD OF BEER FESTIVAL By Beer Nuts for Beer Nuts**

Saturday June 6, 2020 1:00 - 5:00 PM

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\$70 VIP tickets, \$75 after March 31

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- Shuttle buses from around the Metro Area
- Must be 21 to attend, no children or pets allowed



**Terra Maps**  
and Graphics

Web Site



Information and tickets at  
**WWW.WOBFEST.COM**

Tickets



Did you know that the Beer Barons has a groups.io discussion group where you can ask questions and participate in brewing discussions?

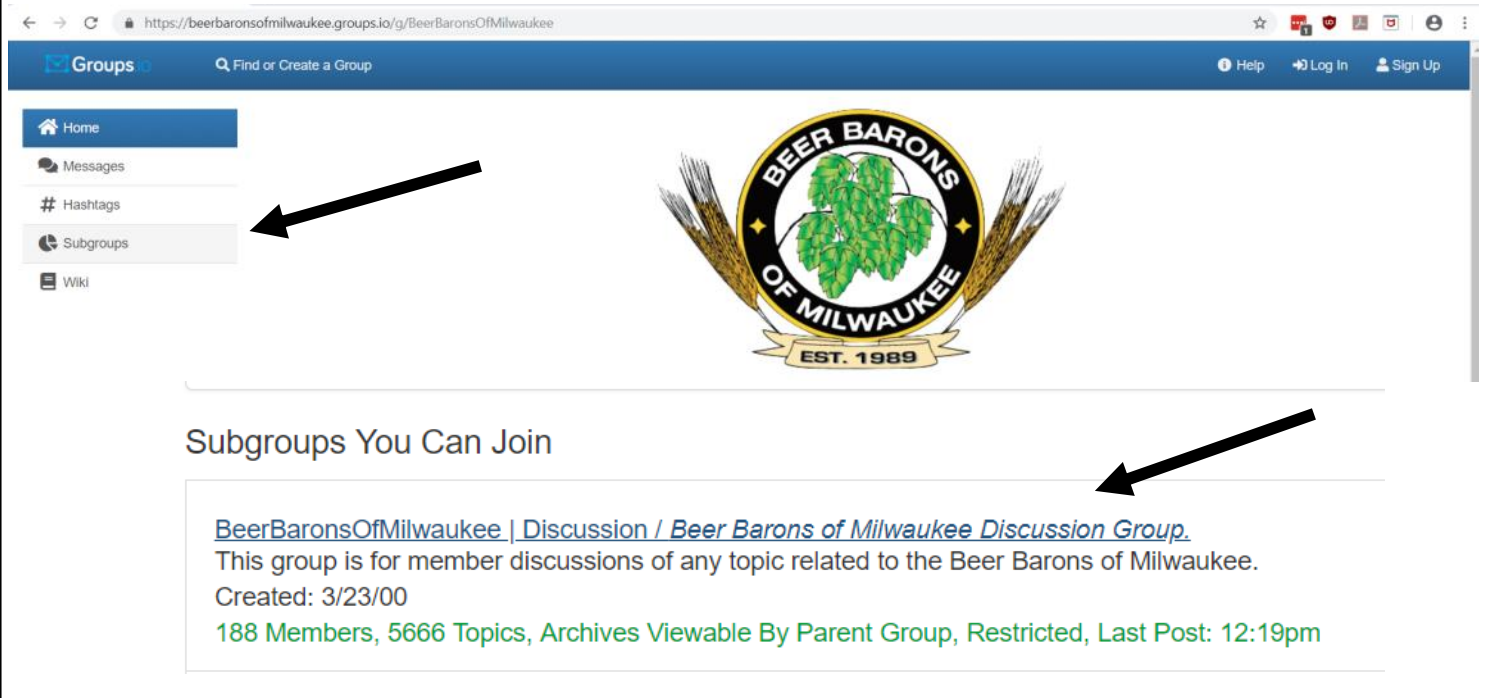
To join the group:

Go to: <https://groups.io/>

Click on Find or Create a Group

Search for Beer Barons of Milwaukee - on the main page select "Subgroups"

On the Subgroups page - select the discussion group, enter your email where prompted to request permission to join. You will receive an email confirming your request when it has been processed.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://beerbaronsofmilwaukee.groups.io/g/BeerBaronsOfMilwaukee>. The page features a navigation menu on the left with options: Home, Messages, Hashtags, Subgroups, and Wiki. A black arrow points to the 'Subgroups' option. The main content area displays the Beer Barons of Milwaukee logo, which includes a circular emblem with a green hop leaf and the text 'BEER BARONS OF MILWAUKEE' and 'EST. 1989'. Below the logo, the text reads 'Subgroups You Can Join' followed by a link: [BeerBaronsOfMilwaukee | Discussion / Beer Barons of Milwaukee Discussion Group](#). A description follows: 'This group is for member discussions of any topic related to the Beer Barons of Milwaukee. Created: 3/23/00 188 Members, 5666 Topics, Archives Viewable By Parent Group, Restricted, Last Post: 12:19pm'. A second black arrow points to this link.

*Interested in attending the next Officer's Meeting?*

The Board meeting is open to all members! It's a great place to find out what's happening with the club while trying a new place to drink.

**Next Officer's Meeting:**

**Wednesday, March 4, 2020 - 7:00pm**

**Enlightened Brewing Compay**

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MILWAUKEE, WI 53207



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"Did You Know" Answers: 1=C, 2=B, 3=E, 4=A, 5=D



For more info and events, check out the Barons Website:

[WWW.BEERBARONS.ORG](http://WWW.BEERBARONS.ORG)



## Club Links

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**Brews Wine and Spirits, 1256 Capitol Drive offers a 5% discount to Members**  
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**Milwaukee Ale House, 233 N. Water offers a 10% discount to Members**



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The Barons Website  
For more info  
[www.beerbarons.org](http://www.beerbarons.org)

### UPCOMING BEER BARONS MEETINGS, EVENTS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Wednesday, February 26:** Monthly Meeting @ Clifford's, Twisted Path Distillery - 7:30 pm

**Wednesday, March 4:** Officers' Meeting @ 7pm: Location: Enlightened Brewing

**Thursday, March 5:** Taste of Hales Corners, Hales Corners Library - 6pm

**Saturday, March 7:** NHC Regional Competition, Sorting - Northern Brewer

**Wednesday, March 25:** Monthly Meeting @ Clifford's, March Madness Fantasy Draft - 7:30 pm

**Friday, March 27 & Sat, March 28:** NHC Regional Judging - Delafield Brewhaus

**Wednesday, April 1:** Officers' Meeting @ 7pm: Location: TBD

*Meeting Locations, Topics and Times Subject to Change*

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