

BARON MIND

The Monthly Publication of the Beer Barons of Milwaukee Cooperative



Let's Talk Mead!

Land drink

Tony Qualls gives us the lowdown on how **Manic Meadery** makes some of the country's best mead.



RENEWAL NOTICE

2021 Memberships Expire 1/31/22

Want to save the Barons \$3.50 per membership renewal?

Consider paying with either cash or check at the meeting to avoid PayPal's transaction fees.

The January 26 meeting is the last for the 2021 membership. New memberships will be needed for the February meeting. Payment options are — online or in-person before the meeting.

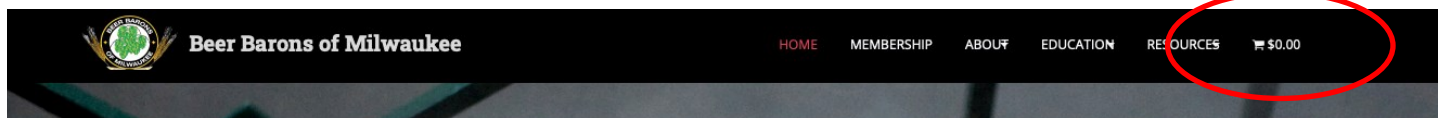
To expedite the check-in process and membership card distribution at the January and February meetings, if:

- **Paying in person:** please come to the meeting early with the appropriate amount of cash or a check (remember, we cannot take credit cards at the meeting). Please be patient while waiting to check-in.

- **Paying online through the website:** please try to do so at least one day before the meeting so the check-in list at the meeting is up to date. If you pay the day of the meeting, your check-in process will take longer and hold up check in for anyone behind you.

To Pay Online:

- www.Beerbarons.org
- Click on the **shopping cart icon** in the upper right 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

President's Letter

Hi Barons!

I want to issue a very special thanks to Jason, Jared, Johnny and Robert who wrapped up their terms on the board. The club wouldn't have been this together or had nearly as much fun without your efforts. We really appreciate everything you have sacrificed to run this club smoothly. Cheers fellas! Let's get the new board all trained up, and you guys can go back to enjoying a bit less responsibility...except Robert who is now our Treasurer and has even more responsibility :-D Thanks again.

Another great Christmas Party in the books. Thanks to everyone who helped set it up, it was a blast. So much great beer was served, and there was no shortage of smiles to go around. It is my favorite meeting of the year, and I look forward to doing it all over again this December.

And now, time for something completely different for our January General Meeting: **Manic Meadery!** I know I am not alone when I say I am not super familiar nor am a huge consumer of mead (so far), but I do know that I do really enjoy well crafted meads. This is the first meadery that I can recall ever having come out and speak to us, so I am looking forward to it greatly and to learn something about one of the best meaderies in the Midwest.

I hope you guys got your entries into Midwinter. This is our club's primary sponsored competition. I managed to squeeze one entry in before the competition limit was reached, only 36 hours after opening. Good luck everyone, let's take home some more medals!

Cheers!

Matt



The Membership Has Chosen

**Thanks for turning out and voting in
the new Board for 2022!**

Before we begin the next year, let's raise a glass to our outgoing Board members: **Jason Rohloff; Jared Sutliff; and John O'Brien** for contributing to the Club in 2021. Great job! Robert Hansen's term as Member at Large is over but he's continuing as the new Treasurer for 2022.

Now let's welcome our new Board members: **Logan Prasser**, Vice President; **Robert Hansen**, Treasurer; **Tim Minger**, Member at Large; and **Roger Dunbar**, Member at Large.

Continuing as Board members are: **Matt Kuenzi**, President; **Mike Andes**, Secretary; and **John Bowen**, Sergeant at Arms.

Vice President's Update

Happy Brew Year!

I would like to thank the club for voting me in as the 2022 Vice President, I truly hope that I can contribute and give back to the club as many of the members who have served on the board already have. I am also looking forward to getting to know you all a little more! So, thanks for the vote of confidence!

Jason has done a lot of work already for the next couple months (Thanks Jason!!), so we are looking forward to having **Manic Meadery** this month! I for one cannot wait to try more of their amazing meads! February we will have the club barrel night, and I am currently working on getting pricing for another club barrel night so we can continue this awesome tradition! So please stay posted on barrel information and get your recipes fine tuned!

Cheers!

Logan

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, February 2, 2022 7:00 pm

The Red Zone

6247 S Howell Ave, Milwaukee

www.facebook.com/TheRedZoneMKE/



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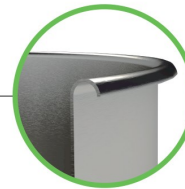
⊕ **Front to back handles:**

Reduces the width for a 3 vessel single tier system by nearly 12". Plus, you can better carry your kettle without worrying about banging your knees on the ports!



⊕ **Straight back etching:**

Gives you a clearer sight line to your volumes.



⊕ **Rolled top lip:**

The rolled design is easier to clean and eliminates the ability to trap bacteria under the lip.



⊕ **The National Sanitation Foundation:**

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SpikeBrewing.com/v4

Treasurer Report

Happy New Year everyone! I want to thank everyone for their vote and confidence in taking over the treasurer spot. Looking forward to getting to know everyone a little bit better - and I will be forced to since I will see all of you at every meeting.

I started brewing in 2017 and already up to 54 batches. I want to make a darker beer to celebrate Christmas this year - “The Smiling Monk” from Craft Beer and Brewing, episode Feb/March of 22. What beers do you have planned for?

Our bank is in a good spot with \$5,049.08 and with a PayPal balance of \$8,424.36 (a bunch of this total is for the Midwinter Homebrew Competition). We will have the invoice for the Holiday Party catering to pay yet (which should happen the night of the meeting). We finished our membership last year with 133!

Submit your questions to officers@beerbarons.org.

Treasurer Bob saying “*Cheers or bumps!*”



12th Annual Midwinter Homebrew Competition.

Judging is taking place
February 18-19, 2022
at [Revere's Wells Street Tavern](#)
505 Wells St, Delafield, WI

Registration is Open! And ... now it's closed.

If you didn't get your entry in within the first 24-36 hours you missed out. Don't worry, the next Midwinter is only 12 months away. Plenty of time to plan and brew.

In the mean time you can still contribute to the event by judging or stewarding. Register on the [Midwinter site](#) for the dates and times when you're available. For those who haven't volunteered before, this is a great way to see how the event is run. It's always a lot of fun and Revere's is has been very courteous to the Club.

Volunteers are also needed for bottle sorting. This takes place in the weeks before the judging at Northern Brewer. Look for a request for volunteers at the January General Meeting and via email by the event coordinators.



DECEMBER 2021 GENERAL MEETING

Thanks to Jason Rohloff for putting together an awesome mix of beverages and Jared Sutliff for organizing and running the raffle.

A good time was had by all!



BIG thanks to Andy and Cheryl Hemken for allowing us to store our club trailer on their land at:

Hemken Honey Co.

W229 S7120 Guthrie School Rd., Big Bend, WI
Business phone: 262-662-2843

Visit their website for information on their products and where to find them: <http://www.hemkenhoney.com/>



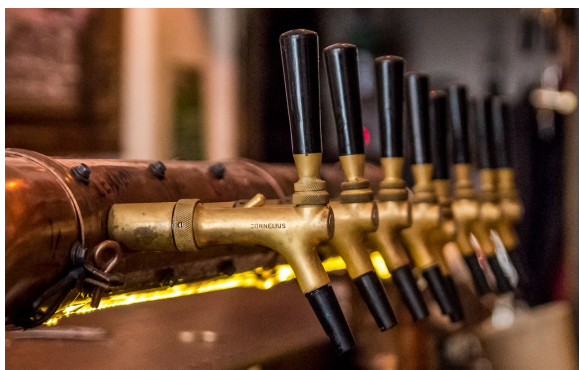
We are a family owned Honey Producer in Big Bend, WI.

We promote the art of beekeeping and benefits of using local honey through education of consumers, new beekeepers, school groups and community programs.

In 1996 Andy started with 2 beehives, he currently admits to 500.

After 30 years of safety and ergonomics consulting, he followed his passion and made beekeeping his full time career.

Cheryl came along for the ride.



What's on Tap??

UPCOMING BEER BARONS MEETINGS,
EVENTS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
Wednesday, January 26	Monthly General Meeting Manic Meadery	Clifford's Supper Club 10418 W. Forest Home · Hales Corners	7:30 pm
Wednesday, February 2	February Officer's Meeting	The Red Zone	7:00 pm
Fond du Lac Brewfest February 5, 2022 More Information			
2022 Midwinter Homebrew Competition February 18-19, 2022 More Information			
Wednesday, February 23	Monthly General Meeting Homebrew Barrel Night	Clifford's Supper Club 10418 W. Forest Home · Hales Corners	7:30 pm
Wednesday, March 2	March Officer's Meeting	TBD	7:00 pm
Drunk Monk Challenge March 12, 2022 More Information			
Wednesday, March 23	Monthly General Meeting Omega Yeast & Kveik Parallel	Clifford's Supper Club 10418 W. Forest Home · Hales Corners	7:30 pm

Meeting and event locations, topics and times are subject to change.

For Barons event info, check out our Website: beerbarons.org

*Aristotle claimed that drinkers of wine and other intoxicants fall in random directions,
but beer drinkers always fall on their back.*

Unger, Richard W. *Beer in the Middle Ages and the Renaissance*. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2004.



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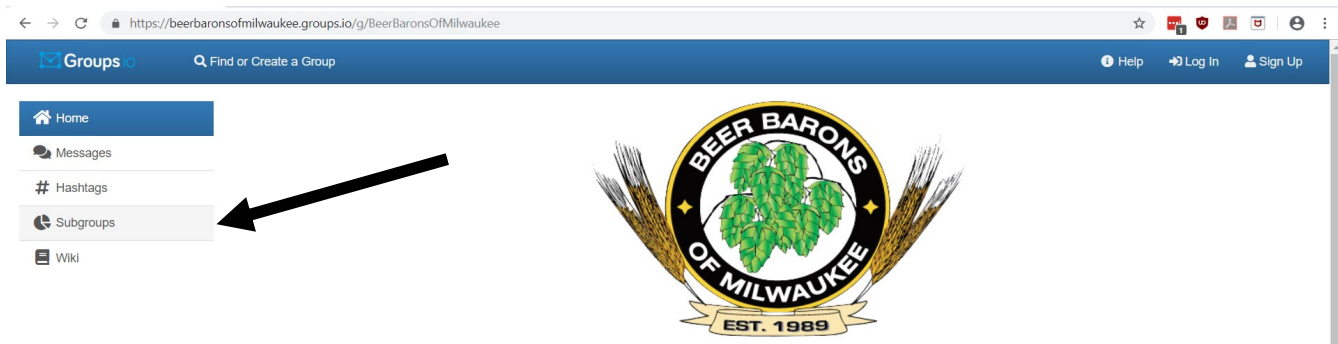
December General Meeting SignUp Link
<https://signup.com/go/PazrFjj>

STAY INFORMED WITH GROUPS.IO

Sign up for the Beer Barons **groups.io** discussion group and stay up to date with Barons news and announcements. You can also ask questions and participate in brewing discussions with other members.

To join the group:

1. Go to: <https://groups.io/>
2. Click on Find or Create a Group
3. Search for Beer Barons of Milwaukee — on the main page select “Subgroups”
4. 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.



Subgroups You Can Join

[BeerBaronsOfMilwaukee | Discussion / Beer Barons of Milwaukee Discussion Group.](#)
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

*“In a study, scientists report that drinking beer can be good for the liver.
I’m sorry, did I say ‘scientists’? I meant Irish people.” - Tina Fey*



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BARONS APPAREL STORE

**The Beer Barons Store at Freestyle Graphics
will be again soon!**

For members that missed out on Barons gear in
July, we'll be opening the store again in February.

A select group of shirts and hats with multiple
colors in men's and women's sizes will be
available. You can choose from either the
Barons or World of Beer logos.

**Watch for more details by [Groups.io](https://groups.io) and eblast
and at the January meeting.**



The Barons are pouring at
Fondy Brewfest. If you have you're at
the festival, stop by and say hi.

February 5, 2022

FDL Co. Expo Center

520 Fond Du Lac Ave, Fond du Lac, WI

CLUB LINKS

Website: beerbarons.org

Twitter: twitter.com/beerbaronsMKE

Facebook: www.facebook.com/BeerBarons

Brewblog: beerbarons.org/brewblog/

Midwinter Brewfest: twitter.com/MidwinterHBC

World of Beer Fest: twitter.com/WorldOfBeerFest
www.facebook.com/WorldOfBeerFestival

IO Group:

<https://beerbaronsofmilwaukee.groups.io/g/BeerBaronsOfMilwaukee>

2021 BOARD MEMBERS

President: **Matt Kuenzi**

Vice-President: **Logan Prasser**

Treasurer: **Robert Hansen**

Secretary: **Mike Andes**

Sergeant at Arms: **John Bowen**

Member at Large: **Tim Minger**

Member at Large: **Roger Dunbar**

Contact the Board via email at:

officers@beerbarons.org

Or in writing at:

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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.

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