



# BARON MIND



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## PRESIDENTS LETTER

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Well this month has sure been an adventure, I hope everyone is enjoying the weather and everything it has to offer! The picnic, while a little hectic, was a hell of a lot of fun. I'd like to thank all of the volunteers who helped putting the picnic together this year that made it successful. It's a lot of work and we all appreciate the hard work. **First**, I'd like to remind everyone that the **next general meeting** has been moved up a week to **Wednesday, September 20th** due to scheduling conflicts with Cliffords. Make sure to wear any Lederhosen you care to for this Oktoberfest meeting (in September). Also, the **Officer's Board meeting** at 1840 Brewing has also been moved back one day to **Thursday, October 5th** so that we could enjoy 1840 without having to talk over Trivia.

Just a small reminder but we will be looking to replace a few board members at the end of January 2024, so if you are interested in seeing behind the scenes, helping out the club, and shouldering some of the responsibility that helps our club out every year, please start considering it. I will be making this announcement each meeting until we have at least candidate for each position. I'd also like to thank all of the previous presidents (4+ of them) who have helped me out this year in figuring out or aiding in all of the Beer Barons business. I'm looking forward to each of the last meetings this year. They should all be pretty damn amazing! See you next week at Cliffords!

Joe Wichgers

## VICE-PRESIDENTS UPDATE

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### Note from the VP

Grüß Gott and Happy Oktoberfest!

While this month is a little slapdash with moving days and changing of the guard, I feel this meeting could be a yearly repeat celebrating one of our favorite seasonals; pumpkin beers!

Also, with Northern Brewer's brick and mortar doors officially closed, we are all hurting for some of our bulk supplies. In my attempts to help, I have reached out to Patterson Orchards and have secured a deal on bulk, sorbate free cider at \$6.75 a gallon (the rate he was giving Northern Brewer). To do this though we need to do one big order, which I will be taking names up until the end of the month.

And remember, try on your lederhosen a week before you intend to wear them.

-Kyle

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## TREASURERS REPORT

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As of August 31, 2023 the club has the following money in our treasury:

Club Account \$8,722.52

Pay Pal Account \$1,135.47

There are 120 members

Robert Hansen

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## SERGEANT AT ARMS

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Just a recap of our new approach to meetings: In order to limit ambient noise during presentations, the club has adopted a format to better structure those events. In turn, we need everyone to step up to the plate and keep respectful silence during these presentations. Something for everybody in this package!

It will be a few months before we have an outside presenter, at least that's how things are shaping up. So now, we need to prevail on our members to offer the same level of cooperation to our own officers during club business. Rest assured, we will not go over the same reasonable time limits we have established.

I know we'll get this right, and thanks to all of you for your efforts.

John Bowen



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## OCTOBER OFFICER'S BOARD MEETING

### Date Change

The October Officer's Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at the 1840 Brewing Company, 342 E. Ward St., Bay View, WI due to them having trivia nite on Wednesdays. All Beer Barons members are invited to attend. 1840 Brewing Company has a very good variety of beers.



**\* \* \*It's that time of year again to start thinking of running for office.\* \* \***

The Beer Barons elections are coming up soon and we will need members who are willing to run for the following offices:

Vice-President, Treasurer, Sergeant-at-Arms, and 2 Members at Large.

In order to find out what would be needed to do these positions, you can find out by going to the BeerBarons.org, website, Click on the 'About' word at the top of the page, Click on the word 'Constitution' at the bottom of the drop down menu and the Constitution will pop up. Scroll thru until you come to ARTICLE III where it tells about the duties. The only duty that isn't spelled out is the Members at Large. Basically most of what that requires is set-up before and clean-up after meetings and handing out any beers during the meetings. This would mean getting to the meetings a little earlier than the start time for the set-up. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact one of the board members.

**\*\*\*\*\* Congrats to all who won Beer or Food awards at the picnic. \*\*\*\*\***

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Cheryl came along for the ride.

### **BEER BARON'S YEARLY PICNIC**

Another summer picnic is in the books! I think this was the smoothest picnic we have ever had. Not much to report on my end...

A huge thank you to the picnic committee and defacto committee members, Tim and Debbie, Roger and Geri, Steve Frahm, Terri and Lori and everyone else who helped set up, pick up food, prizes, beers, cooked, set up, ran to get last minute stuff, moved everything because of a SNAFU by your struely, making the weather amazing again, buying tickets, joining us for a day of fun and a little debauchery, brewing the delicious beverages, making the delicious food... this is one of the events that make this club so awesome and has always been one of my favorites. My first picnic was in 2011 I think, and I don't recall if I've missed one - it is a great time and not possible without you all being a part of it.

And we cannot do it without our sponsors, no matter how large or small it makes a difference. Rich Heller for getting the swag, Black Husky for beers/swag, The Drunk Uncle for some beers, Jason Rohloff for the killer mead pack, (Joe, who gave us the grain? Replace this with the brewery) for the sacks of grain, local - former homebrewers - for their equipment, and always Spike Brewing for the in kind donations for all these years. I feel like I am missing someone or two, and my apologies if I did.

I hope you all enjoyed the picnic as much as I did. Looking forward to the fall and what the rest of this year has in store. Thank you!

Jared and the picnic committee



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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 stay.) 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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