



The Official Newsletter of the Cloudy Town Brewers

September 2009

<http://www.cloudytownbrewers.org>

Next Meeting

Wednesday October 7th , 2009

7:30 P.M. at

Michael's Restaurant

From The Prez

Hello Home Brewers:

At the next meeting which will be at Michael's German\American Restaurant, we will taste bad beers. The Cloudy Town Brewers received a sensory training kit from the Seibel Institute of Technology. This is used in the BJCP class we are holding. The test kit contains flavor components of beer, both good and bad. We thought it might be helpful at the next meeting to try some of the flawed components that can be found in the beers we make. This can help in detecting and determining what the flawed flavors actually taste like and what you can do to avoid them. We will taste a small sample of four different flawed flavors that can be found in any beer. Of course, there will be plenty of time to taste some of the good beers that Heinrich has at Michael's.

Each October, the Prairie Homebrewing Companions gather together the best homebrew from the best homebrewers to determine who is the 'Great Pumpkin' of brewers.

All BJCP categories including mead and cider can be entered, but the Hoppy Halloween Challenge has a category unique to this competition:

Halloween Theme Beer:

"Any beer with characteristics that would identify it as being made for, and in the spirit of, Halloween."

How spooky can you brew?

Full rules for the *Halloween Theme Beer* are available [HERE](#).

Questions or comments on the Hoppy Halloween Challenge?

Email hoppy@prairiehomebrewers.org

McCann's Mug Club

McCann's Food and Brew has a mug club for all those who enjoy good beer. The lifetime membership has an introductory price of \$40 through August, \$50 there-after. Benefits include; \$5 growler refills every day, 5 cent craft beers every Saturday from 4pm-6pm, \$2.50 pints anytime, A free meal on your birthday, and exclusive to members; release parties for new beers.

Tommy Z Generosity Award

Congratulations to Russ Windahl and Jerry Dusich for winning the August People's Choice with their German Hefeweizen. Here are the point totals through August.



Sorry but I never received Septembers Minutes! August Minutes

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Thanks to Jen Ace Bar and Grill for hosting the August meeting.

The Inter-Club campout was held up by Duluth and hosted by Duluth. There were about 50 people total there. Fargo will be hosting next year.

The National Homebrew Convention will be here in Minnesota, at the Sheraton Inn in Bloomington, next year. We will be doing a booth for club night.

We have people doing brewing demonstrations at the Benton County Fair.

March Mashness Best of Show will be March 6th or the 20th. We may have possible conflict with another competition on one of those weekends.

BJCP Class starting this month.

The upcoming meeting schedule:
September – McCann's
October – Michael's Restaurant

Jerry Dusich	10 Points
Erik Nelson	9 Points
Russ Windahl	9 Points
Mike Beuning	5 Points
Gordon Scott	5 Points
Erik "Lars" Larson	4 Points
Scott Campbell	3 Points
Jennifer Meyers	3 Points
Dan Peterson	3 Points
Patrick Sundberg	3 Points
Garret Anderson	2 Points
Todd Lachinski	2 Points
Dan Lieser	2 Points
Wayne Mayer	2 Points
James Michael	2 Points
Bryan Miller	2 Points
Larry Nusbaum	2 Points
Dean Schrom	2 Points
Peter Spengler	2 Points
Wayne Stark	2 Points
Kory Thurnau	2 Points
Marty Walsh	2 Points
Jim Allex	1 Point
Steve Klicker	1 Point
Bruce LeBlanc	1 Point
Joe Leuthner	1 Point
Curt Mohs	1 Point
Jeremy Poissant	1 Point
Cory Porkkonen	1 Point
Joe Tetrault	1 Point
Steve Zinken	1 Point

Competitions

For a complete list of competitions visit the Events & Calendar on the AHA's web site at <http://www.beertown.org/homebrewing/events.html>.