



The Official Newsletter of the Cloudy Town Brewers

May 2006

<http://www.cloudytownbrewers.org>

Next Meeting

Wednesday May 5, 2006

7:30 P.M. at

Michael's Restaurant

From the Prez

Hello folks

Next meeting will be held at Michael's Restaurant. Michael's is located on highway 10 next to the SA gas station. The meeting will start at 7:30. They have a bar in the back with a private meeting room we will be in that room. The last time I was there they had Summit Maibock on tap. Bring some ideas for the club we will have an open discussion on any home brew related subject.

You know spring has sprung when Big Brew is here. Each year on the first Saturday in May, home brewers unite non-brewing and brewing friends and family to celebrate [National Homebrew Day](#), joining with thousands of home brewers from around the world in brewing the same recipes and sharing a

simultaneous toast at noon Central Time. This year Cody Winter will be hosting Big Brew at his Sartell brewery & garage. So gather up some ingredients for your favorite brew and some kettles and head over to Cody's house at 619 7th St. South Sartell for an afternoon of brewing and homebrew. If you don't have anything to brew just show up to celebrate National Homebrew day and Big Brew, see you there.

Cheers,
Bruce

"If all else fails, immortality can always be assured by spectacular error." John Kenneth Galbraith

April's Minutes

-Thanks to O'Hara's for hosting the April meeting.
-A financial report of the March Mashness was given. Here is breakout of income/expenses.

Income		Expenses	
132			
Entries	\$792.00	Cups	\$71.05
		Printing/Staplers	\$28.86

Printing	\$3.75
Mailing	
Sponsors	\$23.46
Mailing Results	\$45.48
Judging Gifts	\$100.00
Judging Location	\$75.00
Food Alex/Chris	\$50.44
Food Steve	\$23.61
\$792.00	\$421.65
Net	\$370.35

Cloudy Town Brewers Mugs & Shirts

The Cloudy Town Brewer mugs are still available. They are available to club members for \$10 and non-members for \$12. Please contact Tom Zupanc if interested.

-Big Brew is May 6th. It will be held at either Bruce's, Cody's or Larry's place. Location will be determined at the next meeting.

-Nominations and elections will be held at the May meeting. Everyone is encouraged to attend this meeting so that you vote can be counted.

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>.

Tommy Z Generosity Award

Here are the point totals through April. Congratulations to Chris Schleicher for winning the people's choice for his Dubbel.

Cody Winter	5 Points
Larry Nusbaum	3 Points
Scott Campell	2 Points
Erik Nelson	2 Points
Chris Schleicher	2 Points
Mike Beuning	1 Point
Darin Dorholt	1 Point
Bruce LeBlanc	1 Point
Joe Leuthner	1 Point
Charles Miller	1 Point
Tim Frakes	1 Point

For Egyptians,

Beer drinking was something gods and goddesses did daily. The libation cup – the ritual cup of milk, honey, wine, or most often, beer – would be poured over a statue of the god.

Beer Etiquette

When calling at a friend's house or entering a beer shop, a visitor would be greeted by a servant carrying a small wooden corpse in a casket. Holding the gruesome icon under the guest's nose, the host would intone words to the effect of: "See here? Soon this is how you shall be. So drink deep and enjoy thyself." Formalities over, the beery evening began.

Ponderings by Bruce

Check back for further details.

See you all at the meeting! Bring a friend they'll thank you for it. (Bruce will buy you a beer!)