



Next Meeting – June 12

No one could find a location that could handle our meeting away from Dirty Nellies so we will be in our usual spot. Our Treasurer will be collecting the last of the overdue \$20 dues. We will be tasting your 5 bottles of homebrew or collecting \$5 from you to order some of Nellies fine beer. All this is happening at 7:30 PM in Dirty Nellies in Palatine.

June Meeting Agenda:

1. Pub Crawl
2. Picnic
3. Beer Tasting Protocol in Meetings
4. Beer Glasses
5. Committee Reports
6. Hop Experiment Brew-in
7. Member Discussion Items

Upcoming Club Events

Tuesday, July 10 – Monthly meeting, Dirty Nellies, 7:30 PM.

Friday, July 28 – Club Wort Pub Crawl, 10:00 AM to 9:30 PM, pickup at Dirty Nellies & Willow & Pfingsten in Northbrook

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May 2012 Meeting Notes

Three guests were introduced.

The proposed 2012-13 budget was discussed. Elliot brought up a previous resolution that allocated \$35 for each brew-in to cover wear and tear on equipment. I offered to put an additional \$50 from the discretionary spending towards the equipment. I pointed out that the days of having excess funds in the treasury have ended. The budget was approved.

The roster was once again going to be issued to all members. It was not going to be posted on the website. Members had 2 weeks to contact me with restrictions on their information in the roster.

Mark and Laura Procter declined to host the picnic again after 4 straight years. The members applauded their work. I asked for 2 volunteers to work on the picnic. Said volunteers didn't need to be the host. Genna Jados was a possible host. There were no volunteers forthcoming.

Rick Jackson had the beer glasses sourced. Cost would be \$4. He was looking for the original artwork file.

I asked if anyone knew of a place to have a road trip meeting in June. I scouted the Beer Market in Vernon Hills, but it was not conducive to having a meeting.

The Scotch and Irish Ale contest was won by Andre Lukatsky with his Strong Scotch Ale. It was a close (10-9) vote.

There will be a Chicago Pub Crawl on Saturday, July 28. Cost for the bus was expected to be \$35. The itinerary was to be announced in the next 2 weeks.

The Brew Your Own magazine renewal would be handled by Jim Thommes.

Elliot Hamilton talked about the Wednesday night brew-in. Everything went well except for the clean-up, since lack of illumination prevented proper cleaning. He thought there might be more of them in the future. He reminded everyone that he took care of the equipment for a brew-in, but it was up to a brewmaster to come up with the recipe and ingredients.

Brad Miller volunteered to be Educational Chairman along with being Librarian. Brad said that there would be an updated list on the website and asked for suggestions for acquisitions. Books can be checked out for 1 month, with \$1 fine per month for being late.

I offered the T-shirts for sale. Genna bought the small one.

We all expressed our appreciation to Randy Drumtra and particularly Aaron Voss on the website re-design and maintenance.

The hop experiment brew-in was discussed, but no date had been determined.

Two beer fests were coming: Tight Head in Mundelein June 9; Barrington on July 7.

I announced that I was interested in forming a group to do a year-long wine-barrel storage of a beer.

AHA Beer Contests

Note the style guideline numbers (and letters) after each beer. You can check at www.homebrewersassociation.org to get the style info.

August 2012 – Porter (12)

September 2012 – Light Hybrid (6)

November 2012 – Old Ale (19A)

January 2013 – Any Beer O.G. > 1.040

March 2013 – Barley wine (19B & C)

May 2013 – Extract Only

Classified Section

Club Wort T-Shirts; New Style (hop plant) (2 xxl); Old Style (glass of beer) (1 medium, 1 large)

Three-pound (1 Quart) containers of honey; Cost is \$8.00; Contact Elliot Hamilton at elliioth@m11.net

