



## Next Meeting – July 8

We'll be getting together at Durty Nellies for our usual 2nd Tuesday meeting. See you at 7:30 PM with your 5 bottles of home brew or \$5.

### July Meeting Agenda:

1. Guest Introductions
2. Homebrew Competitions
3. Committee Reports
4. Brew-Ins
5. August Road Trip
6. Club Picnic
7. Education Presentation
8. Merchandise Reminder

## Upcoming Club Events

Tuesday, August 12 – Road Trip? or Monthly meeting, Durty Nellies in Palatine, 7:30 PM. Club Oktoberfest/Marzen contest.

Tuesday, Sept. 9 – Monthly meeting, Durty Nellies in Palatine, 7:30 PM.

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## June 2014 Club Meeting

The upper room at Nellies was pretty loud as Craig started the meeting. Got to love those party people in the main room – not! They finally got quiet and the meeting went on.

Guests that night included Grady Knight who moved from Sleepy Hollow and had been brewing for 6 years; Chris, a friend of Joe's; Mark, who is new to brewing but has kits to begin his journey; and Pete, a 4-year all-grain brewer looking to increase his skill.

The double brew day took place on May 18 at Elliot Hamilton's. Both worked out smoothly, with 50 gallons of IPA and 40 gallons of Czech Pilsner being produced. It was a perfect day according to the participants.

Asten Rathburn talked about dues renewal. An estimated 30-40 people had still not renewed for 2014-2015. If they haven't paid in the next few weeks they would be dropped from the roster. The treasury had \$1,350 in it. Asten was going to produce a budget for the coming year.

Elliot reported that more tubing was needed for the Club equipment. The Club now possesses two burners for the 55-gallon drums that work on propane.

The Salt Creek Homebrew contest was taking place.

Craig reported that EmbroidMe in Schaumburg is open once again. They will still embroider any item of clothing that members bring in for \$12, or you can buy clothing there.

An education presentation was done showing an advanced bottle washer using irrigation heads.

Jason Barsanti offered 6 pounds of high AA hops

that he didn't want to move to San Diego, as well as other miscellaneous hops.

Craig said that we needed to find a host for our annual picnic. The host chooses the date and normally makes the meat, but has the advantage of all the leftover food and beer. We need someone to volunteer by the August meeting.

Craig suggested that it was time for a road trip. Although Church Brewing would be glad to have us back, members felt that we should seek out a new place. Craig said he would try to determine a place by the July meeting.

Rick Jackson announced that the next book to be read by the Beer Club Book Club would be *High Tide in Tucson* by Barbara Kingsolver on a date to be announced later. Copies were available on the internet for as low as \$1.

Jim Thommes said that Great Taste tickets were coming the beginning of July.

Elliot distributed the carboy containers donated by Rich Colberg.

## Club Wort Beer Contest

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

August 2014 – Oktoberfest/Marzen (3B)

November 2014–Smoke-Flavored/Wood-Aged (22)

## Classified Section

Three-pound (1 Quart) containers of honey; Cost is \$8.00; Contact Elliot Hamilton at [ellioht@ml1.net](mailto:ellioht@ml1.net)

