

OMAHOPS

March meeting at Marc Pullum's

The March meeting is at 7:00 PM on Wednesday the 14th at Marc Pullum's House (11013 Prairie Hills Dr) behind Rockbrook Village at 108th and Center Street, 391-5088.

We need to plan for the WWF. We also need to figure out a recipe for Big Brew Spring 2007 and figure out if we will attempt a large mash.

Zac Triemert will talk about his adventures in Scotland.

Plan Ahead: April meeting will be on the 27th at Tom Hawk's house.

February meeting was at Wayne Simerly's

There was a good turnout. Wayne had his brewing system displayed. This was a great way to get new ideas.

Wayne did a Dr. Beer training session which included 3 beers that were purposely given flaws. We figured out a couple but one of them was difficult. The flaws were

- 1) Sour/Acidic
- 2) Sherry-like
- 3) Diacytel

Beer Served

- Tom Hawk – Bohemian Pilsner, Berliner Wiess
- Kent Porter – Bourbon Vanilla Porter
- Alan Torell – Dunkel
- Elliott Spilker – Corona Clone, Baltic Porter
- Jon Bloomquist – Barley Wine ofcourse
- Mike Robinson – Brown Ale
- Mike Sanford – Club brew Scotch and Doppelbock
- Wayne Simerly – Casis, Sucks less Belgian Tripel, Pale Ale
- commercial beers

Saying by Alan Torell: "I've tasted Sherry and she doesn't taste like that"

Big Brew

Big Brew on May 5th. The big brew is in conjunction with the National Homebrew day where homebrewers across the nation brew a beer as a dedication to our own hard work. In Omaha we usually do mashes separately and then get together to boil the entire 100 gallon batch. It looks like we have some options to do a large mash this year, details to follow.

The suggested recipes are a "Poor Richards Ale" and a Kolsh.

The recipes are available at the following link:

<http://www.beertown.org/events/bigbrew/recipes.html>

WWF is "on"

We have received deposits for 9 persons and have reserved both sides of the cabin. We can hold 3 more people if you still want to sign up.

The WWF will be March 30th and 31st at Platte River State Park at cabins #6 and #7 (Belgian).

An email will be sent to the participants for food volunteers. Then all we need to do is have lots of fun!!!

IBU Competition

No results are in yet. They will be posted in the next newsletter.

National Homebrew Competition

Entries are being accepted April 2nd through the 13th. The club will pay to ship entries. Get your entries with filled out forms and all to John Fahrer by the 9th of April. Here is the link to

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all the info:

<http://www.beertown.org/events/nhc/index.html>

The NHC Midwest 1st Round will be judged by the St. Paul Minnesota Homebrewers.

Upstream competition

Translated from Zac's email.

There were a total of 19 entries. One beer from each style category was selected for the best of show competition. The top four beers were ranked in order of one through four, one being the 'BEST OF SHOW'. All of the top four beers are eligible for the 2007 GABF Pro-Am competition.

The BEST OF SHOW goes to **Elliott Spilker** with his Baltic Porter. He will have the opportunity to brew his recipe at Upstream as well as a \$100 Upstream Gift Certificate, an Upstream Sweatshirt and T-shirt, and three specialty champagne bottled beers.

Second place goes to Doug Finke with his Grapefruit Ale. He is bringing home a \$75 Upstream Gift Certificate, an Upstream Sweatshirt and T-shirt, and two specialty champagne bottled beers.

Third place goes to **Wayne Simerly** with his Munich Dunkel. He is bringing home a \$50 Upstream Gift Certificate, an Upstream T-shirt, and two specialty champagne bottled beers.

Fourth place goes to Dave Oenbring and Bob M. with their Berliner Weisse. They are bringing home a \$25 Upstream Gift Certificate, an Upstream T-shirt, and one specialty champagne bottled beer.

Winners may pick up their prizes from Zac or Chris at the Legacy Upstream.

Thank you to all the brewers, judges and stewards that participated. The beers were terrific and we all had fun. We will be doing this again soon.

Congratulations to Elliott and Wayne,
GREAT JOB!!!!