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HVHB February 9, 2010

Our next meeting will be at 8pm on Wednesday, February 9 at the Derby in Poughkeepsie.

HVHB January 12, 2010

Postponed due to snow.

Brewery Tour

New videos all the time: <http://www.beerinfo.com/index.php/index.html>

Brewing TV

A new site for brewing videos. <http://www.brewingtv.com/episode-index/>

Newsletter

The newsletter will be posted to the club website on the first day of every month. The president will send out the newsletter to club member emails. Check out the club website to find the latest newsletter! <http://www.hvhomebrewers.com/news/news.html>

Newsletter Articles

If you have any newsletter content you would like to see or contribute, please feel free to email me at gridironbrewer@hvhomebrewers.com

Guest Brewing at Keegan Ales

Background:

Keegan Ales has begun doing small batches (10 gal) of beer that they release on Tuesday nights. It's a marketing technique that Keegan Ales uses to increase the patronage on Tuesday nights, and it seems to have been working well. However, the staff at Keegan's is having a difficulty finding time to brew these beers. In response to this problem, Tommy Keegan contacted the Hudson Valley Home Brewers and invited us to bring some of our award winning brewers to come and brew a guest beer at Keegan Ales.

Eligibility Guidelines:

- You must be a paid member in good standing of the Hudson Valley Home Brewers
- You must have at least two awards from a AHA sanctioned BJCP judged event in past two years. (club only events do not apply)
- You must brew an award winning beer. However, if you have won best of show in the past two years, you do not have to brew an award winning beer, you can brew what you want.
- You do NOT have to do an all-grain brew, extract brews are acceptable as long as they meet the award criteria
- Styles that are NOT an IPA, Stout, or Golden Ale will be given preference. (Since that's what Keegan's servers). However variations on those styles will be considered (IE smoked stout, West Coast IPA, etc)
- Final eligibility will be determined by a guest brewing committee. All decisions of the committee are final.

If you are approved as a guest brewer you are subject to the following **Guidelines**:

- Your brew schedule, beer style, and release date must be approved by the Guest Brewing committee.
- You must brew on the Keegan Ale's premises (it's a legal thing...)
- You are expected to brew 10 gallons of beer.
- You may submit receipts for you ingredients to Tommy Keegan for reimbursement.
- Keegan's can supply you with water.
- At this time, you must supply your own brew kettle at lauter/ mash tun.
- Keegan's can provide hot water from his liqueur tank. (or you can bring your own hot liqueur tank)
- Keegan's will provide carboy/fermentation vessels.
- Once in the fermentation vessel, Keegan's can rack, keg and carbonate your beer. You can go and do that if you want, but you don't have too.
- Saturday or Sunday are preferred brew days but other days can be accommodated if necessary
- The beer you brew is the property of Keegan Ales, to be used at there discretion.

The Guest Brewing Committee currently consists of Craig Day and Tom Folster. If anyone else cares to volunteer, we'd love to have you.

The Hudson Valley Homebrewers 21st Annual Homebrew Competition

Saturday, March 26, 2010

At the Gilded Otter Brewing Company, 3 Main St., New Paltz, New York

Entries will accepted from Saturday, March 5th and the deadline, Saturday March 19th at 12:00 Noon

The Hudson Valley Homebrewers are pleased to present our 21st Annual Homebrew Competition. This is an AHA and BJCP sanctioned event. Over the years we have enjoyed an event that provides valuable feedback to brewers, great prizes to those who win, and an entertaining day for those who participate as judges and stewards. The competition is open to all amateur brewers.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

1. Beer, Mead, and Cider entries are welcomed. Entry categories are per the **2008 BJCP Style Guidelines**. The complete Guidelines can be found on the Web at www.bjcp.org
2. Each entry must be homebrewed **NO** commercially brewed beverages allowed.
3. The entry fee is \$6.00 per entry. Checks are preferable for your security. Make checks payable to **Hudson Valley Homebrewers, Inc.**
4. **Brewers must submit two (2) 10 to 20 oz. bottles per entry** Swing-top bottles are OK, as are carbonators. Caps must be plain with any markings blacked out.
5. Each bottle must have a completed bottle label fastened by rubber band only. **NO TAPE PLEASE!**
6. A completed entry form must accompany each entry. Pick up a competition announcement package with all necessary forms at our web site <http://www.hvhomebrewers.com>. Entries will be accepted between Saturday, March 5th, and **the entry deadline, 12:00 Noon, Saturday March 19th.**

DROP-OFF AND SHIP TO LOCATIONS

Party Creations (ship to and drop-off)	Half Time (drop-off only)	Maltose Express (drop-off only)
345 Rokeby Road	Route 9	887 Main St
Red Hook, NY 12571	Poughkeepsie, NY 12603	Monroe, CT 06468
(845) 758-0661	(845) 462-5400	1-800-MALTOSE

COMPETITION ORGANIZERS

Competition Organizer	Justin Taylor (845) 527-7406	justintaylor84@hotmail.com
Judge Coordinator	David Sherfey (845)-629-4878	sherf@flagbrewing.com
Prize Coordinator	Jennifer Taylor (845) 489-8083	monroe414@aol.com
Competition Registrar	Brett Lavin (845) 256-1073	bwlavin@yahoo.com
Steward Coordinator	TBD	

Amber Waves of Grain

This is a Call for Judges & Stewards (and hey: entries! Due 12th Feb) for the 15th Amber Waves Of Grain homebrewing competition. The competition judging takes place in Grand Island, NY (near Buffalo/Niagara Falls) on Feb 25th and 26th. This is a BJCP/AHA sanctioned competition, and also qualifies towards the New York State Homebrewer of the Year. As in the past, judging will be in 5 sessions over two days: three on Friday, Feb 25th and 2 on Saturday, Feb 26th. We encourage you to register for as many as you can! Info on session times, directions, and more can be found at the link below:

http://www.niagarabrewers.org/mmmbeer/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=89&Itemid=101

2011 NHC NE Region

Hello my name is Reed Antis. I am the organizer for the 2011 NHC Northeast Region. I am reaching out to you today. I am looking for your help in judging this year's competition. I believe a number of 70- 100 judges will allow us to a great job with anyone being over worked. Please contact me if you can judge, or even if you cannot. This year's site is the VFW Post, 420 Excelsior Avenue, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. It will be starting at 9 am on April 2nd. My goal is to do this competition in one day. There are several hotels close to this site. And the VFW Post is conveniently located just off Interstate-87. Our local home-brew club is planning a hospitality party that evening for the judges who are staying overnight and will be conveniently held near the VFW Post and a local hotel. Below will be two links for the hotels close to site of the competition. Judges that are considering coming up from the NYC area. I will be willing to work to with you. Amtrak comes into the Rensselaer Station. I am willing to coordinate transportation up to Saratoga Springs. Look forward to hearing from you all. Reed Antis

Comfort Inn & Suites

http://www.comfortinn.com/hotel-saratoga_springs-new_york-NY372?sid=hroPi.i

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17 Old Gick Road, Saratoga Springs, NY, US, 12866,

Phone: (518) 587-6244, Fax: (518) 581-7014

Courtyard by Marriott Saratoga Springs, 11 Excelsior Avenue, Saratoga

Springs, NY 12866, 518-226-0538 (hotel) 518-207-5273

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/albss-courtyard-saratoga-springs/>

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Both have rooms at \$99.00 per night

Keegan's Film

Keegan's is featured in The Brewery Show from the Brewer's Association. Check it out:
<http://www.craftbeer.com/pages/brewery-tours/show?title=keegan-ales>

New Year's Eve casualty:

There was a case of beer in the fridge with a sticky note that said "Do not drink me!"
Now there's a note on an empty box that says "Don't tell me what to do!"

ONLY MOMENTS AWAY FROM PUTTING THE FINISHING TOUCH ON HIS NEW TWO-SEATER OUTHOUSE, CLEM NEVER KNEW WHAT HIT HIM.

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