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Monthly Mash

October 2016 Newsletter

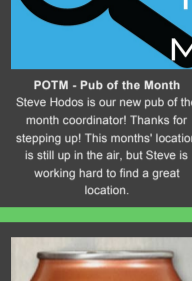
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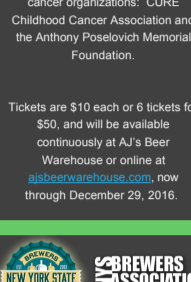
UNYHA Club Meeting
Wednesday 10/12/16
Main Meeting 7:30 pm
Bathub Billy's
630 West Ridge Rd
Rochester, NY




BJCP Training Session
Category 21 IPA
21 A - American IPA,
21 B - Specialty IPA (Belgian IPA, Black IPA, Brown IPA, Red IPA, Rye IPA, White IPA)
This is a must know category if you wish to take the BJCP exam!
Cost: \$10.00
10/5/16 7:00 pm @ The Old Todd
277 Alexander St
Rochester, NY



UNYHA 2016/2017 Membership is now open!
Membership dues are \$30 per person, and \$50 per couple or household.
(if you're not getting at least \$30 worth of free beer and brewing education, you're doing it wrong!)
Membership runs into September of each calendar year.
Click the logo above to renew your membership today!



Are you looking to turn your passion for brewing into profits? Brew IN Livingston is a business plan competition with the goal of creating a craft brewing trail in Livingston County. This competition will be a rigorous eight month process resulting in up to 4 winners being announced in March of 2017. Click the logo above for more information!



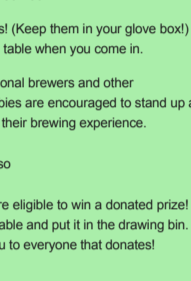
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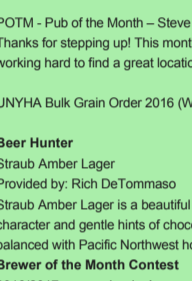
AJ's Beer Warehouse is raffling a Ruby Street Brewing, LLC 15 gallon brew system, which you may have seen on display at the store. Proceeds from this raffle will be split between two local childhood cancer organizations: CURS Childhood Cancer Association and the Anthony Postelovich Memorial Foundation.
Tickets are \$10 each or 6 tickets for \$50. Tickets will be available continuously at AJ's Beer Warehouse or online at raffles.ajbeerwarehouse.com now through December 29, 2016.



Beer Hunter
Straub Amber Lager
Provided by: Rich DeTommaso



The New York State Brewers Association is proud to announce the 4th annual New York Craft Brewers Festival will take place on Saturday, November 19th, at the historic Landmark Theatre in Syracuse, New York. The New York Craft Brewers Festival will bring together over 50 New York State Breweries from every region of the state featuring up to 150 hard to find and award winning beers. Click the image above for more information!



From Dustin:
I'm the organizer of the Knickerbocker Bats of the Bronx, which will be held on November 12 in Albany. It would be awesome if you could remind your members of the event. Entry registration is open now, and we are also looking for experienced judges. All of the details are at www.knickerbockerbats.com.
Thanks in advance :)
Dustin

Meeting Agenda October 2016

UNYHA's monthly meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month (Oct. 12th this month) at Bathub Billy's (630 W Ridge Rd # 10, Rochester, NY) in the party room at the back. Come early for dinner and a brew. The main meeting starts at 7:30 P.M. Beer Guru Session begins at 7:00 P.M.

- Remember to bring your tasting glasses! (Keep them in your glove box)
- Pick up your name badge from the side table when you come in.

We welcome new members, guests, professional brewers and other professionals in the beer and bar trade. Newbies are encouraged to stand up and introduce themselves and share a little about their brewing experience.

Beer Guru
All About IPA - Presented by Rich DeTommaso

Monthly Raffle
All members present and in good standing are eligible to win a donated prize! Please pick your name/ticket up off the side table and put it in the drawing bin. Feel free to bring a prize to donate. Thank you to everyone that donates!

Pro Brewers Report
News from our local breweries

Program Coordinator Reports
BJCP Training Report (Thomas Barnes) - This month's report - Category 21 IPA 21 IPA (21A, American IPA)
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Mallman/Events Report (Steve Hodos)

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UNYHA Bulk Grain Order 2016 (Walter Strassburg)

Beer Hunter
Straub Amber Lager
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Straub Amber Lager is a beautiful copper colored lager with a nice malty character and gentle hints of chocolate and caramel. Their Amber Lager is well balanced with Pacific Northwest hops, yet has a slightly sweet finish.

Brewer of the Month Contest
2016/2017 season begins!

October 2016 - IPA
Bring your IPA (at least a growler or 6-pack) for entry to the brewer of the month. Membership: John/Renew

Membership sign-up is now open! Yearly membership runs from September to September. Don't forget to pay your dues!

Meeting Recap - September 2016

Rich DeTommaso Opened the meeting, Keith was absent this month (sickler), Rich Welcomed 3 or 4 new members

- Dennis
- Dave
- Todd
- One more person, but I missed his name

A Monthly raffle was held. No name tags this month, tickets were handed out to all meeting attendees.

Thomas Barnes announced that he had Fennel and Sage available at the meeting from his home garden.

Pro Brewers Report
Andy was here from Triphammer Brewing. He announced that they are now open! Hours are Wed-Thur 4-9 Fri 4-10 Sat 12-10 Sun 12-5. 5 Beers currently on tap: Hefeweizen, IPA, Belgian Amber, Wit and a Rye Pale Ale. Andy brought the Hefe and IPA in growlers for the club to try. Thanks Triphammer!

Jeremy Buczek bought the newest IPA from Swiftwater in bottles for the club. Thanks for the beer Swiftwater!

Jeremy Buczek announced that he is opening Rochester Yeast Company. He is currently based out of Sweetwater's lab. He plans to cater to the local breweries as well as homebrewers. He will be providing the yeast for the Learn to Homebrew Day November 5th @ Swiftwater.

2015/16 Budget Report
Steve gave the 2015/16 budget report. We stayed on budget for the year. This year's budget will be very similar to last years. The club again will be funding Octoberfest, Pub Crawl, Campout, Brew Off, Dinner Pairing, Beer Hunter, Competition and as always the BJCP Training sessions. Steve has copies of the budget if anyone is interested in seeing the actual numbers.

Upcoming Events
November 5th is "Learn to Brew" Day @ Swiftwater. More information will be provided via email about this event as we get closer.

UNYHA's Octoberfest is Saturday October 8th @ Powder Mills Park - Wadhams lodge. 11 till Dusk. See Deron for tickets, or pay at the event (\$5.00).

BJCP Report
Thomas Barnes announced that this month's training was category 12. English Bitters, British Commonwealth and English IPA's. He brought the leftovers for the club to sample.

Next month's training will be American IPA's and Specialty IPA's. Thomas is looking for help running the BJCP training sessions, please contact him if you are interested.

Brewer of the Month 2015/16 Awards were announced:
1st Place Adam Odegard
2nd Sean Coughlin
3rd Sean Hamett
Adam will receive his award next month when Keith is present to give him a check.

Membership Report
-Steve Hodos says we currently have had 18 memberships processed so far. Make sure to renew your membership! We had 125 Members last year.

Pub of the Month
-Steve Hodos announced that he will now be running the pub of the month for the club. This month's location will be @ Triphammer Brewing in Fairport. He will send out an email with the details.

National Homebrewing Conference Report
Steve Zoller attended the NHC this year in Baltimore. He reported that there were more seminars than he could handle. He really enjoyed the Club Night. After the competition, all of the regional winners were available for everyone to try. He described it as tasting "the best beer you have ever had over and over". All of the seminars are available online and one of the seminars was given by our own Sean Coughlin!

UNYHA Bulk Grain Buy December 2016

Hello Everyone,
Just wanted to send this out in preparation for our winter bulk buy of grain from North Country Malt. [Click here for the grain orders.](#) We will be using the 20-159 bag malt pricing for this order and will be getting grain, chemicals, spices, and other items on this buy. Unless you are buying 118 bales of the few hops that are left for 2016, do not order hops. NCM does not do 1lb orders of hops anymore. We will be purchasing Stansan and PBW to offer through the store again this year by the quart and pound, but you are still able to get either through the bulk buy if you wish. Some details for those of you who have not participated in a bulk order yet.

- You order 1 to whatever quantity of sacks of grain. Please use the attached NCM Excel template for your order to simplify the aggregation of everyone's individual orders or format similar. You must include YOUR NAME & EMAIL, the item brand, item id, sack price for each, quantity of each, and total price for your order if you do not use the template.

- Full sacks only, no partial or per pound orders. The club grain store has many varieties available on a per pound basis available for pickup at the meetings each month. I may try to do a split sheet this year for people who are interested in splitting sacks with other members. Let me know if you are interested in any partial bags so I can see what the interest is.

- Pricing is listed in the 40-159 bag category in a per sack format.

- Provide payment via cash, check, or paypal prior to or at December meeting. CASH OR CHECK is preferred at the meeting to alleviate... but paypal is still available for those who can't make the meeting or wish to use it. Your order will not be included if payment is not provided at or before the December meeting.

- The club organizes, orders, and covers the shipping cost of the grain order.

- Pickup point and time will be announced once we have order shipment status from NCM. Please do your best to pickup the grain on the scheduled day or make arrangements with Walter Strassburg if you can't make it to the pickup. If you don't make it to the pickup or make prior arrangements he may start brewing with your grain....

- Only club members in good standing may order.
- Make Good Beer!

Questions? - Please email Walter at granstore@unyha.com
Orders - Please email Walter at granstore@unyha.com
Payments via paypal to paypal@unyha.com or make arrangements to pay at the meeting. Please include a note if you use paypal for what the payment is for, eg. "Bulk Grain Payment" so we can keep things straight.

BOTM - Brewer of the Month

Sean Hamett is the Brewer of the Month Coordinator for 2016-2017. The Brewer of the Month competition is using the 2015 BJCP style guidelines, and competition will begin in October to give everyone time to get brewing. This year's Brewer of the Month/Brewer of the Year competition schedule is listed below.

- October 2016 - American IPA (Category 21A)
- November 2016 - Belgian Pale Ale (Category 24B)
- December 2016 - Winter Seasonal (Category 30C)
- January 2017 - Imperial Stout (Category 20C)
- February 2017 - American Amber Ale (Category 19A)
- March 2017 - Marzen (Category 6A)

The rules of the game are as follows.

- Entrants must bring at least a six-pack or equivalent (growler, 2 liter bottle, etc.) of the beer.
- Only one entry per contestant!
- Each entrant's beer is poured into a pitcher. Any bottles, etc. are hidden/suitably anonymized to avoid influencing the judging.
- People attending the meeting buy poker chips, for \$1 each and vote for their favorite beer in the fight by dropping the poker chip into a bag in front of the appropriate pitcher.
- The winner of the brewer of the month is determined by the number of votes received. The winner receives half of the money received from poker chip sales. In the case of a tie, the money is evenly split among the winners. The rest of the money goes into the pot for the Brewer of the Year.

Standings for Brewer of the Year are kept from month to month, with points being awarded as follows:

- 1st place - 10 points
- 1st place (tie) - 9 points
- 2nd place - 8 points
- 2nd place (tie) - 7 points
- 3rd place - 6 points
- 3rd place (tie) - 5 points
- Entering without placing - 3 points

At the end of the year, the person with the most points receives the other half of the pot collected over the course of the year, which can be a pretty hefty chunk of change.

The competition is designed to reward people who enter the competition every time, even if they don't win.

Beer Hunter

We have had some excellent beer in the past, and hope to do the same in the future. If you're traveling, consider bringing back some strange and delicious liquids for the club to sample.

If you're going on a trip for business or pleasure and plan to visit a local brewery, UNYHA would like you to bring back beer to share at the meeting. UNYHA will reimburse you for it provided....

- You contact the President in advance to get the OK.
- The beer isn't available locally.
- You bring at least half a case (preferably a case, given our growing membership) of each beer so that everybody can get a taste.

We are always looking for Beer Hunters for upcoming months!

UNYHA Grain Store

All members in good standing have the ability to purchase grains directly from the [UNYHA Grain Store](#). This is another benefit of being a UNYHA member.

- There are two ways to order from the Grain Store: Online or Offline. Both of these will require you to log into the website to get to the Online ordering shopping cart or to the spreadsheet for Offline ordering.
- Once you log into the website you will see two new sub-menus under the Grain Store menu: Online Ordering and Offline Ordering.
- Online Ordering requires you to use PayPal for payment.
- The Offline Order form requires you to download a spreadsheet, filling it out and sending it to the Grain Store manager at granstore@unyha.com. You can then pay via PayPal, check or cash.

UNYHA Grain Store Link: http://www.unyha.com/index.php?option=com_grain_store_info

UNYHA Event Calendar

Calendar of upcoming UNYHA and NON-UNYHA Beer related events is available below.
<http://www.unyha.com/index.php?option=calendar>

BJCP National Calendar

Calendar of upcoming BJCP Sanctioned Competitions
http://www.bjcp.org/ajcp/comp_sched/comp_scheduled.php

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