



Website – clubwort.com or .net

June 2019

Next Meeting – July 9

Normal meeting in Tap House Grill, Palatine

Upcoming Club Events

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June 2019 Club Meeting

1. Guests: Jim (Jim H.'s neighbor) has brewed a kit and took a class at Nancy's shop

2. Style of the month: Maibock

Felipe, John G., and Jim H. brought their fermented shares of the club brew-in for this style. "It's not my fault you don't like it," Jim H.

3. Summer BBQ – July 20

Todd D. will host again with food and a pool; bring side dishes and beer to share. "If you stay late enough, there might be singing," Craig said.

4. Field trip to 25 West

The club visited 25 West Brewing in Bloomingdale where Matt gave us a tour. BA beers are coming soon!

5. Tech talk

Tom H. wants to host another small group at Roaring Table to discuss narrower topics in brewing; Craig and Nancy offered to lead. Tom will send an email.

6. Equipment updates

We need a larger mash tun but 12 gauge steel is expensive. We could expand the one we have with welded pieces or buy a large one. Club discussed alternatives; current mash tun is 50 gallon capacity (2 x 4 x 1 feet) but we would like 75 to 100 gallon capacity. Could expand brew-ins and different types of beer. Contact Elliot with ideas.

7. Treasury

Asten reports \$2,021.43 in the bank and has made progress with a new host for the website that would be easier for club members to update.

8. Lake Zurich Beer Fest

Bad weather, lots of fun, Craig wants more Club Wort turnout at next one.

9. Brew-in

There was a brew-in June 15 of an APA at Craig's, which he'll report on next time.

10. Book club

Watch your email for a note on book club; next book will be hosted by John G. after Labor Day.

11. Local beer fests

June 22 was the Wheeling beer & wine fest; July 13 is the Barrington & Naperville fests.

Styles of the month

Note the style guidelines for each beer. Check Homebrewers Association to get the style info.

July 2019: Wheat

Travel corner

Your newsletter editor has been traveling and drinking again, this time in the pacific northwest!

Notable Seattle breweries

I have previously recommended **Holy Mountain** as a fantastic stop along the waterfront. We visited that brewery again, and another standout was **Urban Family**, which we tasted at The Dane, a Scandinavian bar-café on the north side of town.



Notable Victoria, BC breweries

We stayed at **Swans Brewery & Hotel**, which had a lager-forward menu. Das Schwartzbier war fantastische.

North of town, there is a cluster of breweries that is very walkable. We visited **Driftwood** and **Hoyne** for \$5 flights and discussed the world's problems with a bunch of drunk Canadians on a business trip. **Spinnakers** is a local brewpub where the beer is just OK, but the atmosphere and views are great.



Flight at R&B in Vancouver with a slice of Turkish delight from Ayoub's Fruit & Nuts – go there!!

Notable Vancouver, BC breweries & pubs

If you visit one beer destination the entire time you're in Vancouver, stop at **Alibi Room** or its sister pub, **the Magnet**. They poured a fabulous selection of some of Vancouver's best: **Beere**, **Superflux**, and **Storm**.

Most Vancouver breweries are clustered in areas of east Vancouver (which the locals call "Yeast Van").



We visited **R&B**, **33 Acres** (both the tap room and the experimental spot next door), and **Brassneck**.

While you're in that neighborhood, get a slice of cake at **Purebread**. You won't be sorry.

Thanks for the great beers, Canada!

Mike Kolbuk's funnies

