



"Beer brewed well is bliss. Beer brewed bad is educational."

(You are encouraged to print this newsletter and bring it to the meeting; no copies are available at the meeting)

NEXT HOPS MEETING:

Tuesday, May 10th, 6:30pm, Kelleher's, downtown Peoria.

(food and beer available...and you can bring in your own home brewed beer or commercial beers you'd like to share!)

Meeting Minutes and Announcements (from previous meeting April 12, 2016)

Hoppers (social dinner):

April - Po Boys

Feedback from last month was that Lucky Dog's in Chilicothe was good.

Other Events out and about:

- Ottawa is having a brew fest May 7th. HOP's isn't putting anything together to pour, but some may have gone on their own. Bring a report this month.
- Streater is holding a homebrew competition in July.
- International Beer Fest is/was April 16th.

Bus Trip 2017: The early lead goes to Chicago for next year's trip

HOPs Officers

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Greg Dare

VICE PRESIDENT
Jason Hohulin

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Jason Hohulin

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Eric Ross

New Black & Tan Competition /

Event: Elliot has put together a rules sheet and sent out to the mailing list. If you have not received it but would like to compete, let Elliot know at the meeting. Here's the short version: June 25th, 10AM at PBC. Entry fee is \$5 per entry and you can submit one black and/or one tan per person or team. Ambers are considered tan. Buy your own ingredients and there is no stipulation on what you can use, ABV, etc. RSVP to Elliot no later than June 13th.

Beer Education: Elliot presented Brett beers. Next month Greg & Laura are presenting temperature control. A bonus discussion revolved around Clarferm additive that removes the gluten from beer. It seems that makes far more drinkable beer than other methods of gluten-free. Looking for someone to step up to the plate and give it a shot.

Treasurer;s Report: no update

Attendance: not recorded (approx 12)

MONTHLY BEER

EDUCATION

(Everyone who wants to can participate!!!)

THE PRESENTER: You can sign-up (*see open months below*) for either a **beer style** and present it with commercial versions and one you may have made **or** bring in some **interesting/unique beers** we may not have ever had, or it's been awhile. *The main idea behind this education is to continue learning about beers.* Remember, you have a budget of \$20 on the purchase of commercial beers that the club will reimburse you for.

THE REST OF US: We have the option to participate by also brewing a batch of the beer style being presented and bring it along...or sit back and free-load off of other people's efforts!!!

Scheduled Presenters

May	Greg & Laura
June	Open

If you are interested in a future topic, please provide ideas at the upcoming meeting.

Past Presenters

Jan.	N/A (elections)
Feb.	Eric Ross – Keezers
Mar.	Lawnmower Beers (Greg Dare)
April	Brett Beer (Elliot K.)

Beers Tasted:

Belgian Wit - Eric R.
APA - Eric R.
Pale Ale - Greg P.
Oatmeal Stout - Greg P.
Strong Ale - Steve M.
Belgian Wit - Greg & Laura
California Lager - Greg & Laura

Free / For Sale:

Website:

www.homebrewers-of-peoria.org

Up-Coming Clubs Events & Meetings

This is your newsletter...want to contribute??? Please email me anytime at:
eross79@att.net

HOPs Beer Club meeting dates:

2nd Tuesday of each month • 6:30-8:30pm • Guests are more than welcome!
Kellehers Irish Pub & Eatery • 619 SW Water Street, downtown Peoria • 309 673-6000
Website: <http://www.homebrewers-of-peoria.org>

Beer Hoppers

Monthly Dinner & Beer Social - Bring your family/friends

4th Tuesday of each month • 6:30pm

An email will be sent out for this month's location or consult the HOPs website

HOPs Beer Club Annual Picnics/Parties/etc.

Annual Beer Bus Trip - Jan., the Sat. before Super Bowl Weekend

HOPs Annual Picnics - usually the last Sunday in June and first Sunday in October

HOPs Annual Group Brew - 1st Sat. in May

HOPs Holiday Party - December

Other local Homebrew Club meetings:

ABNORMAL HOME BREWERS

2nd Mon. of each month • 7:30-9:30pm

Fat Jacks • 511 N. Main • Bloomington • (309) 829-2805

Join "HOPs" Beer Club

(Homebrewers of Peoria)

Interested in joining a club of beer-making fools? Find yourself obsessing about beer and don't have anybody to talk to? Want to learn how to make beer in your own but don't know how to start? Or do you just want to get together once a month to drink and talk beer? Dues are an obsessively cheap \$18 a year...with the first year FREE. Dues include this newsletter, a monthly place where you can do one or all of the above mentioned desires PLUS various parties, picnics, socials and a beer tasting bus trip thrown in.

Fill-out this form and bring to any of our meetings, every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Guests are more than welcome to visit and check us out.

Yes! I want to join HOPs!

Name: _____

Street/Apt: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone #: _____

Email: _____