

DIE KUNDE

February 2024



PACIFIC STEIN SAMMLER



Note from the PSS president

To all our PSS friends

We had a very nice PSS meeting in Gig Harbor, WA and I want to again thank Bruce and Myrna Martin for their help in setting it up.

A sure sign of spring! The groundhog didn't see his shadow. We are going to head to Vancouver, WA for our upcoming PSS meeting on March 2nd at the Brothers Cascadia Evergreen Pub. Lyn will again be one of our featured speakers and will talk about one segment of J.W. Remy stein characteristics. Lyn and Janine Ayers are graciously opening up their house on the Friday evening before the meeting with hors d'oeuvres and beverages along with a chance to view and purchase steins from their collection. Information and directions for our Saturday PSS meeting at the pub are on the last page of this Die Kunde. Members and guests are always welcome to share new additions to their collections with our group and don't forget to bring steins to sell or trade.

In other stein news, The Stein Auction Company will no longer have auctions, but will begin selling steins in a buy-it-now format sometime in March.

Ron Fox of Fox Auctions is planning on an auction in March, followed by Clark Auctions of Texas on May 5th.

May 18th is going to be our second meeting of the year at the Hoffman home in Ridgefield, WA. The third meeting will be on September 7th in Puyallup, WA at the Steenbeeke residence. The December meeting is still open, so if you would like to host that meeting, please let one of the board members know.

I hope everyone is fairing well through the winter and I look forward to seeing you again soon.

Al Hopp
President

Here are a photos from our December meeting in Gig Harbor, WA.



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2024 PSS Event Schedule

March 2nd, Brothers Cascadia Evergreen Pub, Vancouver, WA. Preceded by an open house on Friday evening at the home of Lyn and Janine Ayers.

May 18th Bernd and Christy's home in Ridgecrest, WA

September 7th Alain and Liz Steenbeeke's home in Puyallup, WA

December 7th No venue yet

If you would like to host a meeting, please let one of the board members know.

For those who may be interested, here are the dates and events for Die Golden Gate Zecher club:

Saturday April 13 2024

Bob and Lin Bebermeyer's Home

Monterey, CA

Speaker: TBD

Saturday June 8 2024

Host: TBD

Location: TBD

Speaker: TBD

Saturday September 28 2024

Bill and Rhoda Fry's Home

Cupertino, CA

Speaker: TBD

In Memorium

Sadly one of our members and past president of PSS, Bill Parrish, passed away in November 2023. Bill had a nice collection of regimental steins, steins designed by Franz Ringer and other steins. He will be missed.

Also Ken Lowthian passed away in 2023. More details to follow.

SCI 2024 convention in Madison, WI

SCI's 57th annual convention will be held in Madison, Wisconsin, July 2 through July 6, 2024. There will be two days of preconvention activities: Tours on July 2 and a commercial auction by Fox Auctions on July 3. The convention itself will be Thursday through Saturday, July 4 through July 6, with check-out from the hotel on Sunday July 7.

For more information about the convention, please go to stein-collectors.org and click on the Conventions tab.

Kegeln/Bowling

Kegeln or “bowling” scenes are depicted on many steins by different stein manufacturers from scenes of people participating in kegeln, steins shaped like a pin(s) to scenes of nine pins and expressions like “Alle Neun!” (all nine). Some steins also have inlaid lids shaped like a ball or a depiction of how the pins are set up.



Nine-pin bowling, also known as nine-pin, kegel, or kegeln is a bowling game played primarily in Europe. This game is played by rolling a ball down an alley towards nine pins.

The classic lanes are 64 feet long and 4.3 feet wide for their entire length. They are also called “asphalt” as that material was historically used to pave the lanes. This is the most common variant, and the one used for most international competitions. However, there are also wooden plank lanes used in northern Germany and these lanes are slightly concave and slope up slightly to where the pins are.

The nine pins are placed in a square shape and are diagonal with the axis of the lane. In modern systems the pins are reset by a pinsetter which lifts up the pins, each connected by a string on top and lowers them back into the square shape for the next throw. The pins usually have a weight of approximately 2.9 pounds. Before automation, the pins were reset by kids or adults as can be seen on several steins.



Marzi and Remy

The ball is 6.3 inches in diameter and weighs approximately 6.3 pounds. Younger players use a smaller and lighter ball. Unlike the ball used for ten-pin bowling, the nine-pin ball has no finger holes, although there are also special balls with two finger holes designed for novice and amateur players.

Scoring the game is played by taking 120 throws across four lanes. Each player makes 30 throws on each lane. The pins are reset after each throw for the first 15 throws, while the pins are reset on the next 15 throws only after all the pins are knocked down (fallen pins remain out of play until no pins are left). After 30 throws are completed at each lane, players shift to the next lane to the right (except for the player in fourth lane, who moves to the first lane) until the match is over. Pins are added up for each throw.



Hauber & Reuther #437



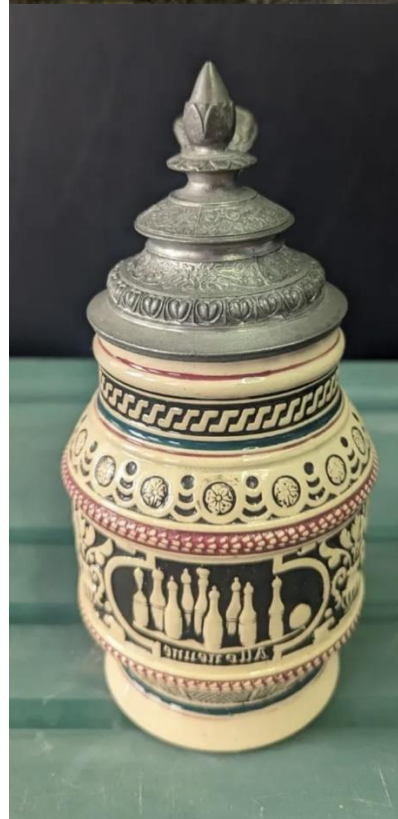
Historic depiction

of nine-pin bowling by [Friedrich Eduard Meyerheim](#) (1834)

Matches may be played by individual players, where the overall winner is the player with the most pins after all lanes are played, or in a team format.

Teams are composed of six players, with four players starting the match and two substitutions allowed. Players compete against each other for team points. A player who knocks down more pins on a lane gets one set point (each player gets a half point for a draw). The player with more set points after all four lanes are played gets a team point. If they have two set points each after bowling in each of the four lanes, the player with the higher total number of pins gets the team point. If they have the same number of pins, each team gets one-half team point. Players then rotate which member of the opposing team they play against. The team with more team points after all opponent

pairings have been completed wins the match. Matches can end in ties.



Dummler & Breiden



Girmscheid 1139



Mettlach 2682



Girmscheid #1087



Mettlach 2682 Lid



Mettlach 2959



Mettlach 1526/1212



Schierholz #4



Girmscheid #1140

Please help me find...

Don't forget to submit your own requests for steins that you are looking for!

Al Hopp is looking the following steins:

Reinhold Hanke #1584 Horse returning hat to fallen rider.

Merkelbach and Wick #1175 Gnomes rolling dice

Both are the fourth stein in a series of four.

Steins marked THOH, TOH or Kakam (Theodore Otto Hahn)

Alain Steenbeeke is looking for the following steins:

Gerz model number 275B number 1,2 and 4 The number will be roman numerals. Black Whale of Ascalon series



Gerz 275B with master stein

Also Gerz 1345B roman numeral 5 V. The months depicted on the stein would be September and October.



Gerz 1345B with master stein.

If you are looking for particular steins, please let the Die Kunde editor know at asteenbeeke1@msn.com or pacificsteindkn@gmail.com. Include pictures if you have them.

PACIFIC STEIN SAMMLER MEETING

Friday March 1st Lyn and Janine Ayer's open house informal gathering

Starting at 5 PM

3814 V St, Vancouver, WA 98663

Hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be supplied

Saturday, March 2nd Brothers Cascadia Evergreen Pub

The actual meeting

108 W Evergreen Blvd, Vancouver, WA 98660

11:30 am - Board Meeting

12:00 - Social Hour, Stein viewing/buying/trading

Lunch- Any time you want.

2:30 pm - General Membership Meeting

2:45pm - Program: Lyn Ayers will be doing a presentation on a segment of JW Remy steins.

Bring steins if you want to sell any and bring money to buy one or more from others.

Please note: The pub doesn't open till 11 AM so arrive accordingly.

If you plan to attend the informal get together at Lyn and Janine Ayers' house, please notify them by Emailing them at lyn.ayers@gmail.com or call or text him at (360)609-1389

Directions:

From the North. Head South on 1-5. Take exit 1C and turn right onto E Mill Plain Blvd. Turn left on Broadway St. Turn right on Evergreen Blvd. The pub will be on your right. Parking is on the street and free on Saturdays.

From the South. After crossing the bridge on I-5 into Vancouver, WA take exit 1B. Follow the loop onto C St. Turn left on Evergreen Blvd. The pub will be on your right. Parking is on the street and free on Saturdays.

Lunch:

Food and drinks can be purchased from the pub. Their menu is online at brotherscascadiabrewing.com