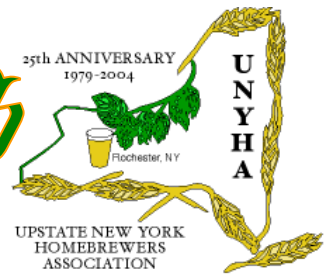


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July 2011

ALL THE BREWS THAT'S FIT TO P®INT

UPCOMING EVENTS OF NOTE

- BJCP Session – July 6 – **BONUS SESSION: New Styles** – led by Thomas Barnes & Deron Weet
- Empire Brewfest Rochester – July 9 from 5:30-10 p.m. (Sahlen's Stadium, Rochester)
- UNYHA Meeting @ Merchants Grill – July 13
- Empire Brewfest Syracuse – July 15 (Clinton Square, Syracuse)
- Summer Hopyard Tour and Picnic at Climbing Bines Hop Farm (details below) – July 16
- Pub of the Month: The Tap & Mallet – July 20
- Rochester Real Beer Expo on Gregory Street – June 25

** An expanded calendar can be found at the end of the newsletter **

AGENDA FOR JULY MEETING

UNYHA's monthly meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month at Merchants Grill (Merchants Road near Culver), in the upstairs room. Guests are always welcome! Come early for dinner and a brew in the dining room. Meetings start at 7:30 (Brew Guru sessions begin at 7:00).

1. **Brew Guru** session will begin at 7:00 sharp upstairs! Topic: *hop-related and aging defects in beer using the Flavor-Activ kit*, presented by Thomas Barnes.
2. **Pick up your personalized membership renewal form** (or take a blank one) along with your name badge from the back table when you come in. Dues are \$25/person, or \$40 for two persons at the same residential address. Check preferred, payable to UNYHA.
3. **Welcome:** We will welcome new members, guests, and pro brewers. Newbies are encouraged to stand up and introduce themselves and share a little about their brewing experience. Pro brewers: what's new & noteworthy?
4. **Monthly membership drawing/giveaway:** All members present and in good standing are eligible to win a donated prize! Please pick your name/ticket up off the back table and put it in the drawing bin. Feel free to bring a prize to donate.
5. **Mailman/Events Report:** Steve Hodos
6. **BJCP Class Report:** Deron Weet/Thomas Barnes (a note about this year's final session is below).
7. **Announcement of the results of this year's Brewer of the Month challenge!**
8. **Membership survey:** This will be a chance to let the new Board know what you'd like to see UNYHA do in the coming year(s).
9. **Discussion of proposed programs and events for the coming year**, including Oktoberfest, a fall brew-off, a crawl, and more.
10. **Beer Hunter:** Derek Donolli will bring Thunderhop IPA from Church Brew Works in Pittsburgh.

PUB OF THE MONTH

Pub of the Month always happens on the third Wednesday of each month. Locations are selected by our POTM Czar, Jeananne Thomas (see contact info at the end of the newsletter to make a POTM suggestion). POTM starts “after work” and goes until “whenever” – to be a bit more precise, people begin showing up around 5:15, and some of them never leave... If you’d rather not be all alone at POTM, shoot for arriving around 6:00 or so and don’t arrive after 8:00 or so.

Pub of the Month for July 20 will be The Tap & Mallet, 381 Gregory Street, Rochester – always a favorite.

AT LAST MONTH’S MEETING

Debbie Ofslager presented a yummy **Brew Guru** session on beer and food pairings.

Next year’s board was elected. Congratulations to Paul Guarracini, President; Doug Dalke, Weiss President; Joel Radford, Treasurer; and Kira Barnes, Secretary. The new Board is already working on some great events for the coming year!

Our final **Brewer of the Month** challenge of the year featured English and American Barleywines. Congratulations to our winners: Adam Odegard (1st place with 11 votes), Jeremy Belair (2nd place with 10 votes), Matt Slattery (3rd place with 9 votes), and Dana Edgell (4th place with 7 votes).

Deron Weet reported on the **American Ales BJCP session** in June. Walter Strassburg’s American Pale Ale was voted “best homebrew of the night.” Also enjoyed were Will Gardiner’s Amber/Brown hybrid.

We had another successful **Silent Auction/Gadget Night**. Many thanks to Scott Ofslager for coordinating this program.

Beer Hunter Dana Edgell brought some 21st Amendment *Hell or High Watermelon Wheat* from San Francisco to share with us.

Dave Schlosser brought some of the fantastic new *bock* from **Naked Dove**.

Raffle results:

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Prize</u>
Pat Noce	Hop rhizomes
Jack Mansur	Abita Strawberry Lager
“ “	An ultra-bright flashlight
Paul Guarracini	Sam Adams White Ale
Alan Mack	<i>Complete Idiot’s Guide to Living in the Environment</i>
“ “	Two wine glasses
Southtown Beverage	Variety 6-pack

FOR NEXT MONTH’S MEETING

Stay tuned!

BJCP PROGRAM

Many thanks to Thomas Barnes and Deron Weet, our BJCP co-coordinators, for leading our monthly judge-training sessions this year. BJCP sessions are held at 7:00 p.m. at the Old Toad (in the snug) on Alexander Street near East Avenue. Because our dues underwrite the cost of this program, BJCP sessions are for UNYHA members only. The final session for the current year will be

6 July: *Special Bonus Session* – Emerging styles that are likely to find their way into the Style Guidelines, including Black IPA (often called Cascadian Ale), Imperial Amber, and Rye IPA.

BREWER OF THE MONTH PROGRAM

Many thanks to Brewer of the Month coordinator Adam Odegard for his efforts in running this program. We'll have a surprise announcement at the July meeting about the results of this year's BOTM challenge!

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

No recipe this month – sorry!

BEER HUNTERS ON SAFARI

Going on a trip for business or pleasure? Planning to visit the local breweries? UNYHA would like you to bring back beer to share at a meeting. UNYHA will reimburse you for it *provided* ...

- You contact Paul Guarracini in advance to get the OK.
 - The beer isn't available locally.
 - You bring at least half a case of each beer so that everybody can get a taste.
 - **Beer Hunter for July:** Derek Donolli will have some Church Brew Works *Thunderhop IPA* (Pittsburgh) to share with us!
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SUMMER HOPYARD TOUR AND PICNIC

The Northeast Hop Alliance is sponsoring a Field Day Event on July 16 at Climbing Bines Hop Farm beginning at 3pm. Tickets (available at www.northeasthopalliance.org) includes speakers, dinner, tour, and unlimited beverages. Climbing Bines Hop Farm is located at 515 Hansen Point Road along the west side of Seneca Lake, on the Seneca Lake Wine Trail. They have roughly 1500 hills of Chinook, Nugget, Cascade, Centennial, Columbus, Willamette, Kent, Golding, and Magnum planted. Karl Siebert (Professor, Cornell University), Tim Weigle (Cornell's Integrated Pest Management Program), and Steve Miller (NYS Hop Specialist) will be speaking at the event. A sumptuous BBQ dinner will be served by Keuka catering. Beverages will include an assortment of brews from the Ithaca Home Brew club as well as beer from Wagner Brewery.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

🏆 — COMPETITION INFO

📍 — UNYHA-SPECIFIC STUFF

😊 — NON-UNYHA EVENT

- 📍 **July 6, 2011.** UNYHA BJCP session in the snug at the Old Toad. Bonus session featuring emerging styles. Contact Thomas Barnes, thomasbarnes@frontiernet.net.
- 😊 **July 9, 2011.** Empire Brewfest Rochester at Sahlen's Stadium (info at <http://www.empirebrewfest.com>).
- 📍 **July 13, 2011.** UNYHA monthly meeting at Merchants Grill. Contact Paul Guarracini of UNYHA.
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- 📍 **July 20, 2011.** UNYHA Pub of the Month, The Tap & Mallet. Contact Jeananne Thomas of UNYHA.
- 😊 **July 29-30, 2011.** Belgium Comes to Cooperstown at Brewery Ommegang (info at www.ommegang.com)
- 📍 **August 10, 2011.** UNYHA monthly meeting at Merchants Grill. Contact Paul Guarracini of UNYHA.
- 📍 **August 17, 2011.** UNYHA Pub of the Month, Donnelly's Public House (Fairport). Contact Jeananne Thomas of UNYHA.
- 🏆 **August 20, 2011.** Deadline to enter *AHA Club-Only Competition: Mead (BJCP Style Subcategory 24,24&26)*. Fargo, ND. Contact: Susan Ruud at Susan.Ruud@ndsu.edu
- 😊 **September 3, 2011.** Ithaca Brew Fest 5 in Stewart Park (info at www.ithacabrewfest.com)
- 😊 **September 23, 2011.** The return of Rohrbach Brewing Company's *Brewers' Fest* at Frontier Field! More details as the date gets closer.
- 🏆 **October 15, 2011.** Deadline to enter *AHA Club-Only Competition: Specialty/Experimental/ Historical Beers (BJCP Style Subcategory 23)*. West Chester, PA. Contact: David Houseman at david.houseman@verizon.net
- 🏆 **Nov 25, 2011.** Deadline to enter *AHA Club-Only Competition: Hefeweizen (BJCP Style Subcategory 15A,15B,15C,15D)*. Zionsville, IN. Contact: Brian Steuerwald at BLSteuerwald@aol.com
- 🏆 **Jan/Feb 2012.** Deadline to enter *AHA Club-Only Competition: Dark Lagers (BJCP Style Subcategory 4A,4B,4C)*. Contact: Silverado Homebrew Club of St. Charles, IL, Robert Keck at keckbobb@netscape.net
- 🏆 **Mar/Apr 2012.** Deadline to enter *AHA Club-Only Competition: Stout (BJCP Style Sub-category 13)*. Parker, CO. Contact: Rock Hoppers Club of Parker, Colorado, Kelly Kruegel at kruegel.kelly@gmail.com
- 🏆 **April 27, 2012.** Deadline to enter *AHA Club-Only Competition: Scottish and Irish Ale (BJCP Style Category 9)*. Contact: Knights of the Brown Bottle, Arlington, Texas, Mike Porter at msrw15@sbcglobal.net
- 😊 **April 28, 2012.** – BJCP exam in Buffalo. Contact Todd Snyder at tmsnyder@buffalo.edu

Future AHA Events and Homebrew Competitions:

<http://www.homebrewersassociation.org/pages/competitions/aha-bjcp-sanctioned-competition/calendar>
http://www.bjcp.org/apps/comp_schedule/competition_schedule.php

Future AHA Club Only Competitions: http://www.beertown.org/homebrewing/club_only/schedule.html.

Note: If you are entering an AHA/BJCP sanctioned contest, please note the entry rules (including bottle preparation) here: <http://www.beertown.org/homebrewing/club.html>

Links to Other Local Beer Calendars

Great Lakes Brewing News (& others): <http://www.brewingnews.com>

Ale Street News: <http://www.alestreetonline.com>

Links to Local Beer Bars with Events

The Old Toad: <http://www.theoldtoad.com>

Tap & Mallet: <http://www.tapandmallet.com>

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