

HOMEBREWERS OF PEORIA



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

APRIL 2024

NEXT HOPs MEETING:

**May 8th, 2024 – W.E. Sullivan's
Peoria Hts, IL 6:30 PM**

Meeting Minutes (Apr 9th, 2024)

Attendees: Noelle, Mike, Priscilla, Gary, John, Eric, Dave, Jeff, Will & Jane, Phil: Welcome to the club!!!, Dick

Treasury Report: approx. \$2,935 in HOPs account.

2024 annual HOPs dues: \$20 single, \$25 couple/family.

2024 Schedule:

Peoria Parks On Tap: '24

HOPs pour dates were reviewed. General hours are 4pm to dusk. These are the plan - unless more are added.

5/31: Sommer Park North – Friday

7/11: Cassidy Park - Thursday

Peoria Heights:

Possible future Peoria Heights dates: Taste of the Heights, Heights Art Fair. Both TBD

May 18th 1pm: Memorial for Heidi - Forest Park Nature Center (rain date 6/1)

Beer Ed for May mtg:

Dick to present on early English/Euro brewing

Upcoming Beer challenge for June

'24: June: Ice Cream!

HOPs (local) bike ride: 2024 event in planning

Gary discussed planning in process for HOPs pouring at Peoria Oktoberfest

2024 HOPs OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

Noelle Buonaccorsi

VICE PRESIDENT

Jason Clow

TREASURER

Priscilla Gilles

TRUSTEE

John Waldman

SECRETARY

Dick Miller

BEER SHARE:

Noelle: Irish Stout and Cryo IPA

Will: commercial beer from Japan – Oom IPA, Saison, Wheat w/Lemon Grass, Schochu - Potato Wine

Gary: Chocolate Lager

Dick: Irish Ale, Winter Wheat

Thanks all for sharing.

Jeff reminded all about the planned Swiss-German Springfest held at Avanti's Event Dome in Pekin on Sunday 4/14 Noon to 8pm

DecemBeer '24

competition: at Bust'd Brewing. Dates TBD - Great '23 Comp' Jason!

Discussion cont'd: March Hoppers – at Richards Under Main the club played trivia (in two groups: Hops & Barley) and took the evening prize!

Hoppers for April 24th: Jimmy's Bar on Farmington Rd – 6:30pm

HOPs 2024 Winter Brewery Bus Tour – John discussed possible options of the Chicago Suburbs or the Springfield area. More details as developed.

Big Brew Day – May 4th: Brew at Bust'd Brewing Parking lot. Start time ?? (after mtg - now 1:30pm – Bust'd opens at 2pm. More details as the date gets closer. Planning to brew: Gary, Eric, John, Dick. From the AHA webpage: "In 1988, May 7 was announced before Congress as National Homebrew Day".

Summer HOPs trip: a HOPs only Indianapolis trip & bike ride TBD - Priscilla shared printouts of possible data. Dave presented info for trip to Grand Rapids – dates TBD (est looks like 7/20-21). The town runs free **Downtown Area Shuttle** buses ("DASH" !!) stopping at breweries.

Ride with Leinie - July 27, 2024 - Conover, WI general discussion at mtg - not near Chippawa Falls (ed: removed URL).

April Beer ED – Noell presented "Cryo Hops" or the concentrated lupulin of whole-leaf hops. The process was developed by Yakima Chief in 2017. (Thx Noelle)

For next meeting: discussion on another order window for HOPs swag from Grimms.