



"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, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>, 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 Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016)**

**Bus Trip 2017:** Due to bus availability, we're moving the date this year to January 21<sup>st</sup>. Destination is still Chicago. The itinerary is coming together nicely and I expect a flier will be out on Facebook and the HOPs homepage shortly. Bus leaves from the Evergreen shopping center (Sheridan and Lake by the Kroger). Contact Elliot with questions and complaints.

### **Hoppers (social dinner):**

November - Granite City (be there by 6:30)

## HOPs Officers

**PRESIDENT**  
Greg Dare

**VICE PRESIDENT**  
Jason Hohulin

**TREASURER**  
Jason Hohulin

**TRUSTEE**  
Elliot Kammeyer

**SECRETARY**  
Eric Ross

### **NovemBEER - DecemBEER:**

December 3<sup>rd</sup> at Peoria Brewing Company judging to start at noon. Feel free to arrive early and help set up. We'll need a few stewards too. If you haven't already brewed your beer, get busy peeling the labels off something tasty. For the rest of us, drop can be at Hopper's on the 22<sup>nd</sup>, the day of, or contact David Scuffham for other drop off arrangements. This year is 100% Maris Otter for fermentables. Toasting / Smoking etc. is permitted and non-fermentables are wide open. Please bring a dish to pass. No entry required to attend. All are welcome. Please be nice to our hosts at PBC and buy a beer or two.

**Beer Education:** Eric presented apple ciders and circulated a few freshly fermented examples. Thanks for the input from other members present to pick up the slack from my lack of knowledge.

**Treasurer;s Report:** no update

**Attendance:** 9

# 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

**December** Elliot Kammeyer

**January** Open

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

## Past Presenters

**August** – Greg Dare (BJCP Style update)

**September** – none

**October** Greg Dare

**November** Eric Ross

## Beers Tasted:

Eric R. - Wild Cider, Ale Yeast Cider  
Will - Pale Ale, Lemongrass/Ginger Wit  
Andy - NW Imperial Stout  
Paul - Kolsch, IPA from the Philipines

## Free / For Sale:

## Website:

[www.homebrewers-of-peoria.org](http://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: \_\_\_\_\_