

HOMEBREWERS OF PEORIA



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

April 2023

NEXT HOPs MEETING:

May 10th, 2023 – W.E. Sullivan's Peoria Hts, IL 6:30pm

Meeting Minutes (April 12, 2023)

Attendees: Mike, Noelle, Priscilla, Gary, John, Dave, Jason, Eric, Dick, Jeff, Will, Jane, & Robbie.

Treasury Report:

\$ 2,510 (+/-) in HOPs account.
Dave advised web expenses forthcoming.

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

Beer "off-flavor" Education:

Noelle and Mike prepared this month's "off flavor". The "what is it?" was: lightstruck (sometimes called skunky). A "why" sheet was provided to explain it. This a continued monthly Beer Ed.

Spring Milwaukee brewery tour:

Date is May 6th - John presented a general timetable with a planned tour of Lakefront Brewery. More updates at this month's Hoppers.

Discussion: upgrading business cards with a QR code, changing the AHA HOPs Club "location", adding a Gmail account, and making HOPs Club new member information flyers. Noelle has laminated some HOPs promo cards for posting at Friar Tuck, etc.

HOPPERS April 26: Oliver's North (W. Willow Knolls) Peoria, 6:30pm.

2023 HOPs OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

Noelle Buonaccorsi

VICE PRESIDENT

Jason Clow

TREASURER

Priscilla Gilles

TRUSTEE

John Waldman

SECRETARY

Dick Miller

BEER SHARE:

Gary: German Zoigl
Dave: Berliner Weisse
Eric: Spotted Cow Clone
John: Coco-Pina Cream Ale & Lovely Bunch of Coconuts Cream Ale
Dick: Munich Dunkel & BMC-Twin Lager
Thanks for sharing.

Discussion cont'd: HOPs to plan on brewing at Bratfest Aug 6, '23 and pouring at O-fest Sept 16??, '23.

Gary & Dick to present a "Beginning Home Brewing" class at ICC. Lesson plan: General info and methods (similar to library demo) Sept 20th from 6-8 pm.

Discussion cont'd:

Brewery Adventure 2024 (aka bus trip):

John shared thoughts & complications for the '24 bus trip - either North to the Rockford / New Glarus area or the Springfield area.

North Peoria Library Brew demo:

Presented "Brew101" on April 1. While only (4) non-club attendees, all had a good time. Nice work all. Discussion to repeat in the future.

Peoria Parks On Tap: Circulated sign-up sheet for both Friday 6pm events: Sommer Park June 2nd & Cassidy Park July 14. More development at next meeting.

2024 charity fundraiser: the ABNormal brewers with HOPs participating – Gary investigating based on 2023 event.

Monthly Beer Ed's: April - Dave presented "Beer serving & packaging with Nitrogen". May: Historical US hop usage (Dick), June: Re-pitching yeast (Jason).

HOPs SWAG (shirts): Grimm's in Morton – order window ended 4/10. HOPs has ordered a few shirts for on hand inventory. Delivery TBD, but soon.

Local Events for '23: ride the Peoria Historical Trolley for the "Roll out the barrel tour" or "Naughty & Nice Tour" – tour schedule not yet released.

HOPs bike ride – planned for Saturday, July 8th. Details at next meeting.

Potential May Hoppers: Castles Patio Inn