



LIVIN' THE BREWS



The Newsletter of the North Texas Home Brewers Association, Inc.

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August Club Meeting Tuesday, August 10, 1999, 7:30 PM

Location: **Routh Street Brewery**

**3011 Routh Street
Dallas, TX
(214) 922-8835**

Remember - No homebrew is allowed at Routh Street but AI is providing us with \$1 pints



Show it off!

Wear your NEW club T-shirt to the meeting.

Y2Keg Party Planned

Hey club, have you thought about a Y2Keg Party? I have already brewed 10 gal. of beer and set it aside to age. I think it would be great to have a party and everyone bring their special Y2K Homebrew. If we all survive the Millennium Bug on New Years Day, then we really should celebrate! I have talked to a lot of people on this and it seems that New Years weekend isn't the best time so we have picked the following one.

I have a keg system set up and two CO2 bottles, one is a B size. What this means is that I could be pushing beer through about 50 kegs! You could bring a keg (with your name and style of beer on it) and leave the party with any leftovers. No need to lug your CO2 tank around. Be sure to bring a dispense hose and faucet. Bottles are welcome as well.

OK, that's over - now a date. The Y2Keg Party will be on Saturday, Jan 9th. Starting time and directions will be in the December newsletter. I have a swimming pool and in the winter when I have a party, I like to get it to 101 degrees

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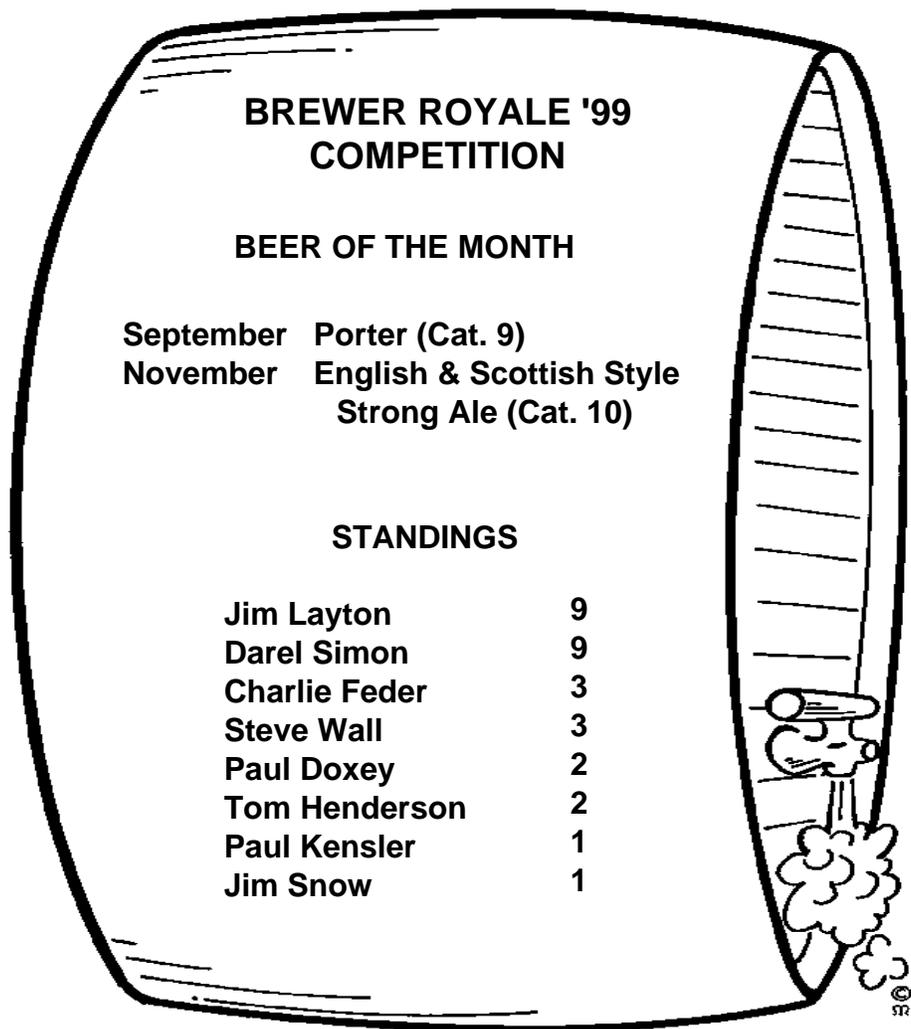
NOTICE: This could be you last newsletter..... Have you renewed your club membership for this year? Your membership expiration date has been added to the mailing label so please take a look at it. The mailing list will be updated this month and all expired memberships will be removed. A renewal form is on page 5 if you need it.

Renewal Bonus - If you attend the August club meeting and renew your membership, you will receive the NEW club T-shirt for **FREE** - but you must attend the meeting to receive this special offer. If you have previously paid, see Jim Layton at the meeting to receive your T-shirt.

GingerMan Beer Tasting

The GingerMan Monthly Beer Tasting will be this Monday, Aug. 9 and is "Favorite Beers in

Favorite Styles." Some of the beers include Paulaner 1664, Hacker-Pschorr Weisse, Spaten Oktoberfest, Fullers London Porter, Anchor Steam and others.



BJCP Exams

If you are interested in taking the Beer Judge Certification Program exam, testing will be available at the Dixie Cup in Houston on October 22nd or 23rd. (Which day is unknown at this time)

Plans are being made to offer the BJCP examination at the Bluebonnet Brewoff next year. Mike Porter (owner of The Homebrew Shop in Arlington) will sponsor the exam. Contact Steve Hacker if you are interested in joining a study group to prepare for the test. Checkout the BJCP

BEER BELLIES BY STATE

Highest per capita consumption:
Nevada, 48.8 gallons

Lowest per capita consumption:
Utah, 20.9 gallons

Data Provided by Miller Brewing Company

Homebrew Competitions

Sep 16 - Sep 18 1999	Fort Lauderdale, FL	Fort Lauderdale American Brewoff
		Entries due by 9/11/99 with \$6 entry fee
Sep 25 1999	Lubbock, TX	2nd Annual Cactus Challenge
		Entries due 9/13/99 with \$7 entry fee
Sep 25 1999	Nashville, TN	4th Annual Music City Brew-Off
		Entries due 9/6/99 through 9/18/99 with \$5/1st entry and \$4/each additional entry.
Sep 25 1999	Rockport, ME	Northern New England Regional Homebrew Competition
		Entries due by 9/22/99 with \$5 each or \$4 each for 5 or more entries
Sep 25 1999	Los Angeles, CA	Pacific Brewers Cup 99
		Entries are due 9/1/99 through 9/17/99 with \$6 entry fee.
		Awards Ceremony will take place 10/2/99.
Oct 22 - Oct 23 1999	Houston, TX	1999 Dixie Cup
		Entry deadline unknown at this time
Oct 30 1999	Fargo, ND	Hoppy Halloween Challenge
		Entries due 9/27/99 thru 10/15/99. Entry fee is \$7ea/1st 4 entries, \$5ea/over 4
Nov 19 1999	Lake Harmony, PA	The Great Brews of America Classic Beer Festival
		Entry fee is \$5 per entry

Contact information is available on the AHA website or check with Russ Bee if you have entries.



The Latest Postcard From Central Florida

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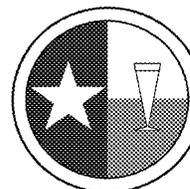
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Club Brewmeisters

Club "Brewmeisters" are members who are experienced brewers and have volunteered to help other brewers, both new and old, who are having problems. Give them a call with your questions! Just don't call too late or too early or during Cowboy games!

- Russ Bee ----- (972) 771-9489
- Charlie Feder ----- (972) 223-8771
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- Darrell Simon ----- (972) 475-7571
- McKee Smith ----- (972) 393-3569

**North Texas
Home Brewers
Association, Inc.**



The North Texas Home Brewers Association is a group with an interest in beer in general and home brewing in

particular. We meet once a month on the second Tuesday at various locations in the area. Visitors are welcome! "Livin' the Brews" is our newsletter and is published about once a month. We do accept advertising, although the NTHBA, its officers, assignees and editors are not liable for losses or damages resulting from mistakes or misprints, or any other consequences of advertising in this or any other publication. Ads are \$30 for a 1/3 page and \$50 for a full page, subject to change without notice. Readers are encouraged to submit articles! Deadlines for ads and articles are the last Monday of each month for publication the following month.

Visit the NTHBA WEB Site at
<http://hbd.org/nthba>

Beer as good as wine to prevent heart disease-study

COPENHAGEN (Reuters) - Moderate consumption of beer reduces the risk of heart disease just as well as red wine, the Danish Brewers Association said Wednesday. "It cannot be proved that there is any health advantage in drinking red wine, for example, rather than beer," the lobby said in a statement, citing a study by the Institute of Epidemiology and Social Medicine at the University of Muenster.

"Epidemiologic studies indicate that light to moderate alcohol consumption from beer, wine or spirits is associated with a reduction in all-cause mortality, owing primarily to a reduced risk of coronary heart disease," the study showed.

The findings of Professor Ulrich Keils study based on 2,000 people in southern Germany contradicted a Danish study published in December, which found that people drinking

moderate amounts of wine had a lower risk of stroke than those who consumed beer or spirits.

Lars Bech, chief spokesman of the Danish Brewers Association, told the tabloid Ekstra-Bladet it was a coincidence that the new study was released on the threshold of Denmark's summer holiday period when beer consumption usually rises sharply.

K2Keg Party

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so yes we can swim. Everyone can bring a side dish and I can provide the meat for the grill. If you have interest in this special party event let me know. Contact by email at btu1690922@aol.com.

Have fun and happy brewing.



The Ale-ian Society would like to welcome all homebrewers to the second annual Cactus Challenge.

The strategic center of North America is, of course, Lubbock, Texas.

This area has been selected as headquarters for the Ale-ian Global Conquest; our numbers grow each year, as does the strength of our mighty beers!

The competition takes place on September 25th.

There will be a dinner along with beer provided by Hub City Brewery preceding the awards ceremony.

Come and enjoy some West Texas hospitality. We are eager to show you that Ale-ians aren't so scary.

For details, please contact: msawyer@door.net

Top Ten Brewpubs of 1999

Company	Sales (bbls)	% Change
1. Brew Brothers/Eldorado Hotel & Casino - Reno (NV)	6,108	+15
2. Lost Coast Brewing Co. (CA)	4,800	+18
3. Wynkoop Brewing Co. (CO)	3,958	-9
4. Mountain Valley Brewpub (NY)	3,800	+19
5. Southend Brewery and Smokehouse--Charlotte (NC)	3,600	0
6. Big Buck Brewery and Steakhouse--Auburn Hills (MI)	3,266	N/A
7. Monte Carlo Pub and Brewery (NV)	3,200	+3
8. Gordon Biersch--Honolulu (HI)	2,844	-11
9. Rock Bottom Brewery--Denver (CO)	2,820	-9
10. Gordon Biersch--Las Vegas (NV)	2,720	N/A

<h2 style="margin: 0;">North Texas Home Brewers Association, Inc.</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">Membership Form</h3>			
Name <i>(Please print)</i>		Membership Length	
Address		1 Year - \$20 <input type="checkbox"/>	June 1 - May 31, _____
City	State	2 Years - \$38 <input type="checkbox"/>	June 1 - May 31, _____
Zip Code	3 Years - \$54 <input type="checkbox"/>		
Home Phone		Work Phone	
Email Address		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, I would like to be listed in the club directory!	
Received by		Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Check <input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> YES, I would like to receive Livin' The Brews via Email as well as regular mail (at the above Email address)			
Signature: _____			Date: _____

By signing this form I fully understand the following –

My participation in this association is entirely voluntary. I know that participation in this association may involve the consumption of alcoholic beverages and that this may affect my perception, judgement and reactions. I accept responsibility for my conduct, behavior and actions as well as those of my guests. I absolve and indemnify the North Texas Home Brewers Association, Inc., and it's officers of any responsibility for my conduct, behavior and/or actions as well as that of my guests.

Mail to: Jim Layton 567 Celtic Rd. Howe, TX 75459

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Suggestion Sheet

The Board of Directors is always looking for suggestions on ways to improve your club!
 Fill out this form and give it to a board member or mail it to
 Steven Hacker, NTHBA, Inc. , PO Box 168274, Irving, TX 75016

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