

LIVIN' THE BREWS

The Newsletter of the North Texas Home Brewers Association

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Quick Sips for June

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| Officers Meeting | @Londoner Addison | June 4 th | 6:30pm – 8:30pm |
| Club Meeting | @Lion and Crown Allen | June 11 th | 6:30pm – 8:30pm |
| Brewday | @Beyers' | June 15 th | 9:00am – 3:00pm |
| Bus Crawl | @Various | June 29 th | 1:00pm – 7:00pm |

These and other events can be found on our [Club Calendar](#).

Prez Sez by Marcio Fazzani

Happy June NTHBA family!

Hello Beer Enthusiasts,

As the warmth of summer envelops us, there's no better time to explore and enjoy the diverse and refreshing world of craft beers.

June is a month of longer days, outdoor gatherings, and the perfect opportunity to enjoy your favorite beer, whether you're a fan of hoppy IPAs, crisp lagers, or fruity ales, there's something for everyone to enjoy this season.

Saturday June 1st will be full of beer events around us in case you have nothing better to do, with:

1. Wild West 9th anniversary party at 3 Nations brewing on both Carrollton and Anna locations
2. Glizzy Fest with Fletcher's Original Corny Dogs at Martin House Brewing in Fort Worth, and yes, the Mustard Beer is back!
3. Little Elm craft Brew & Cue taking place at Little Elm Park

Now let's change gears and remind everyone of our club sponsored beer competition.

Limbo competition is approaching quickly and if you are thinking about entering your beers, I hope you have already started brewing, if not, you still have time to start!

Pub bus crawl is back in June, mark your calendars and buy your tickets – tickets are first come first serve, more information in the socials portion of this newsletter

Looking forward to seeing you all at the next club meeting, if you have any questions, please direct them to me at president@nthba.org.

Saude!

Marcio

***At North Texas Homebrewers Association, we're all about bringing beer lovers together for a good time! Our mission? To build a lively and welcoming community where everyone can learn, improve their skills, and get creative with beer.
Cheers to the spirit of camaraderie, growth, and trying something new!***

The First Sip by James Smith

The First Sip

Greetings, homebrewers! Welcome to June and what is shaping up to be a pretty busy month for club activities. More information is below, but apart from the third full week of the month, there is something going on. Hopefully everyone has those summer beers ready to go. I personally brewed my annual edition of Raspberry Berliner Weisse a few weeks ago and it is ready for packaging followed by poolside quaffing.

Notable Club Social Events Coming Up (Please mark your calendars!!):

- **June Brewday** – Saturday, June 15, we will be at the home of Brian and Melinda Beyer. The address is 2117 Rheims Dr, Carrollton, TX 75006. Map [HERE](#). We will get started around 9 AM and will go until early afternoon. Lunch will be provided.
- **June Officer Meeting** – Tuesday, June 4 at The Londoner in Addison. Address [HERE](#).
- **June Club Meeting** – Tuesday, June 11 at Lion & Crown in Allen. Address [HERE](#).
- **Club Social Event...BUS CRAWL!!!** – [PURCHASE TICKETS HERE](#) - Saturday, June 29, we are sponsoring a club bus crawl, visiting several breweries down the I-35 corridor. There will be 5-6 stops with a departure at 1PM and ending around 7PM. We are hoping for a great turnout, so please put it on your calendar and buy your tickets! Here is the tentative list of breweries:
 - Depart from 3 Nations – meet here around noon and we will depart at 1PM
 - Odd Muse
 - Celestial
 - Texas Ale Project
 - White Rock Brewing Company / Manhattan Project
 - Return to 3 Nations around 7PM

Tickets are \$10 for club members and a guest, and \$20 for non-members and additional guests. Initially, there are 25 openings for each category, but we will adjust as necessary. [PURCHASE TICKETS HERE!!!](#) There is a password code needed to purchase the club members ticket. That code is inside the quotes: "6tiruv". This code is only for Club members. Please do not hand it out to non-club members. We had an issue last year with a member inviting non-club members to purchase members tickets.

You can always find out about the latest events coming up on the NTHBA Club Calendar [HERE](#). We do keep the club calendar updated with all club events, so it is worth adding in whatever calendar app you use on your device so you can always have visibility to it. Below is the public iCal format link you can use:

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/ical/president%40nthba.org/public/basic.ics>

As always, if ever you have a question or comments, or if you would like to provide suggestions or feedback about a specific event, please do not hesitate to e-mail me at socials@nthba.org. I look forward to hearing from you! Have a great month.

Cheers!

James, aka "Smitty"

Competition Corner by John Sutton

Club Only Competition (COC)

The May COC had a very good turn out with 9 entries, representing 9 different styles, the quality of the beers was excellent with over half the entries scoring a 40+ over better as judged by two very experienced judges; James “Smitty” Smith and Mike Grover, both whom received gift cards to [North Texas Homebrew Supply](#) for judging.

At the June club meeting Randy Grogan will get the Bronze medal of his Belgian Blond Ale, Terry Olinger will get a Silver medal for his Helles Bock and Mark Rendon will get the Gold medal for his Dark Mild.

The [registration window](#) for the next COC will open July 1st and close at 5pm on the day of the club July meeting (always 2nd Tuesday of the month) at [North Texas Homebrew Supply](#).

Bring your 2 entries to the meeting (if you can’t make the meeting, please make arrangements ahead of time), if you don’t have entries for the July COC we always have opportunities for judging and as bonus you get 1 point in the Brewer Royale standings for judging (and a NTHBS gift card).

As a reminder the COC is open to all BJCP ’21 styles. Brew what you like to drink, and we’ll judge it for you.

COC Standings to date

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| January | 1 st | Mark Rendon | British Brown Ale |
| | 2 nd | James Smith | American Wheat |
| | 3 rd | Jimmy Orkin | Belgian Single |
| March | 1 st | Steve Little | Dunkel Weissbier |
| | 2 nd | Evan Brady & Bruce Robinson | Saison |
| | 3 rd | James Smith | Rauchbier |
| May | 1 st | Mark Rendon | Dark Mild |
| | 2 nd | Terry Olinger | Helles Bock |
| | 3 rd | Randy Grogan | Belgian Blond Ale |

Lone Star Circuit competitions for '24

As a reminder the club will pay for shipping to LSC competitions.

[Operation Fermentation](#) , Cane Island Alers

Congratulations to Doug Hicks, Doug's 1st place adds one point to his Brewer Royale total.

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| Doug Hicks | 1 st | Saison |
| | 3 rd | Belgian Blond Ale |
| | 3 rd | Belgian Pale Ale |

[Bluebonnet Brew-Off](#)

Congratulations to all who entered and took home hardware.

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| Mark Redon | 2 nd Best of Show | Best Bitter |
| | 1 st | Best Bitter |
| | 1 st | London Brown Ale |
| | 2 nd | Dark Mild |
| | 3 rd | Oatmeal Stout |
| | 3 rd | Historical Beer |
| Steve Little | 3 rd | American Lager |
| Bill Lawrence | 1 st | English IPA |
| Fred David & James Dorman | 1 st | English Barleywine |
| Doug Hicks | 2 nd | Belgian Pale Ale |
| | 3 rd | Bière de Garde |
| | 3 rd | Belgian Blond Ale |
| Jimmy Orkin | 2 nd | Belgian Single |

[Lunar Rendez Brew XXX](#)

Registration is closed, winners will be announced June 22nd

[Spirit of '76 Facebook page](#)

Registration is closed, winners will be announced July 28th

[Spirit of '76 BCOEM page](#) (I apologize to anyone that missed out as the link provided on the LSC page was/still incorrect and the Spirit of '76 never posted the registration link on FB until the day of registration, which closed on the same day)

[KGB Big Batch Brew Bash](#)

Registration/Drop off is June 1st and closes June 14th

[Limbo Challenge \(NTHBA hosted/run\)](#)

See above link for more details, but as with all popular competitions, registration will fill up fast.

- Registration opens July 7th and closes July 26th
- Login will be July 27th
- Judging 1st weekend will be August 2nd and 3rd
- Awards Ceremony/Party, August 17th

[Alamo City Cerveza Fest BCOEM page \(still showing '23\)](#)

[Alamo City Cerveza Fest](#)

Registration opens July 6th and closes July 27th

500 entry limit (including mead and cider)

Competition Hints

The July COC will be your last chance to get feedback before Limbo, and while you would not have time to re-brew for Limbo, the COC can be used to confirm the BJCP style you selected.

Any questions you can reach me at firstvp@nthba.org

Cheers!

John

The Treasurer's Report by Walter Hodges

Treasurer's Report:

| MONTH ENDED | EQUITY |
|-----------------------|----------|
| 2023 BEGINNING | 10827.46 |
| JANUARY | 10314.71 |
| FEBRUARY | 10392.77 |
| MARCH | 10226.11 |
| APRIL | 10218.35 |

Current Membership: 99 as of 5/30

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|------------------|-------------------|
| Anthony Lenart | Jorge Hernandez |
| Eric Morgan | David Jones |
| Brian Russo | Terry Olinger |
| D.C. Simmons | Matt Parulis |
| Anupam Singhal | John Sutton |
| Tomas Bustamante | Walter Hodges |
| Rob Edger | James Hough |
| Kelly Beach | Steve Littel |
| Brian Culver | Leroy Gharis |
| Evan Brady | Mike Crawley |
| Mike Grover | David Holloway |
| David Bierschenk | Tony Silveira |
| Kat Desquitado | Ian Walton |
| Barry Forrest | Zachary Grotovsky |



Welcome to our new and renewing members and thanks for your support.

If you could renew your membership, that would be great.

May 31st marks the end of our membership year. Renewing your membership continues your access to our website and opportunities for great club events. Active members also receive discounts at Kettle to Kegs and North Texas Homebrew Supply. Memberships are still only \$30 and can be renewed at club meeting or at the link below.

Memberships may be renewed at club meetings and events or by following the directions at: [Membership Renewal \(nthba.org\)](#)

Financials trail the newsletter by one month. Financial reports are available on the club web site at: [Financials – North Texas Homebrewers Association \(nthba.org\)](#)

If you have any questions about the financials, contact me and I will be happy to share club financial detail.

*Prosit,
Walter*

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Our Supporting Home Brew Stores



[North Texas Homebrew Supply](http://NorthTexasHomebrewSupply.com)



[Kettle To Keg](http://KettleToKeg.com)

North Texas Home Brewers Association

The North Texas Home Brewers Assoc. is a group with an interest in beer and homebrewing. We meet the second Tuesday of the month at various locations around the DFW area. Visitors are welcome!

"Livin' the Brews" is our monthly newsletter. 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. The deadline for ads and articles each month is 14 days prior to the club meeting.



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