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NEXT MEETING Tuesday, May 20 7:30 PM Sharp La Jolla Brewing Company

MEETING TOPICS

- Flanders Red and Brown Styles, by Charles Hudak
- Temecula Festival Recap
- · Bring Your Homebrew

Future AHA Club-Only Competitions

Contest Due to QUAFF Contest Date
Extract Extravaganza July 15 August 4
Weiss is Nice October 7 October 20
Bitter Mania November 18 December 1

Bring four 10-14 oz bottles (brown or green only) to regular meeting or to the Board meeting. The bottle should have no labels, raised glass lettering or symbols, embossing, or lettering on the cap. No Grolsch bottles either. Include a filled-out AHA entry form with your entry. Due dates are either the Board meetings (early in each month), or the regular monthly meetings (later in the month) Entries may be turned in to any Board member, or brought to the meeting. (Check to make sure the Board member will be attending the meeting.)

Brewing To-Do List:

- Don't forget the Del Mar Fair. Judging will be held beginning at 12:30 on Sunday, June 29, in the Paddock Area at the Fair. Entry forms are due in by June 13. Details on page 3.
- The August AHA club-only contest is Extract
 Extravaganza. This contest is open to any style, as long
 as the malt is at least 75% extract. The entries are due on
 July 15 at the QUAFF meeting. Now is time to start
 thinking about it.
- Weiss is Nice is held in October, with entries due to QUAFF at the September QUAFF meeting (September 16) or at the October 7 Board meeting. This one should probably be brewed in late August or early September.
 Weiss is Nice includes the four styles in AHA category 19 (Berliner Weisse, Weizen/Weissbier, Dunkelweizen, and Weizenbock)
- Bitter Mania will be held on December 1, with entries due to QUAFF at the November meeting. Bitter Mania includes AHA Category 7 (English Ordinary Bitter, English Best (Special) Bitter, and English Strong (Extra Special) Bitter.)

The Seventh Annual Southern California Homebrew Festival Recap

On May 3, over a thousand homebrewers made the annual pilgrimage to the Southern California Homebrew Festival in Temecula. Twenty-one homebrew clubs were represented at the fest as well as a number of homebrew supply shops and equipment manufacturers. Hundreds of different brews were available to attendees. Three well-known speakers talked about the New World of Beer and Cuisine (Candy Schermerhorn), Brewing Pilsner Beer (Dave Miller), and New Directions in Grains (George Fix).

The Homebrew Festival features the largest raffle in the world (at least that's what Teresa Link was saying). Teresa was the master of ceremony for the raffle, as usual (and a great one at that!). And it seems like QUAFF made a major haul in the raffle. Duane Bonderson picked up six raffle prizes, and Rich Link picked up four. (Both Duana and Rich went up so often for prizes that they started getting booed! It's a rowdy crowd!) Yours truly won more than our investment in raffle tickets picking up a pair of HomeBrew Mart T-shirts, a HomeBrew Mart gift certificate, and four Shadow Mountain Brewing (Temecula) pint glasses. Just about everyone in the homebrew supply, brew-on-premises, and Southern California brewpub and microbrewing industry seemed to have donated prizes.

QUAFF's booth seemed pretty popular, and we got lots of compliments on our beer. Thanks to Beer Enhancement Systems for loaning us their impressive beer engines. And thanks to Rich and Teresa Link for representing QUAFF in the organization of the festival. (Rich and Teresa organized the raffle!) Don't miss the Eighth Annual Southern California Homebrew Festival, May 2, 1998!

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SPENT GRAINS

Notes from the April Meeting recorded by Greg Lorton

President Dion Hollenbeck officially called the meeting to order sometime around 7:40 at the Back Room of La Jolla Brewing Company. Guests included Chris (?), Bill Black, Scott Holcomb, Jim Przywara, and Sandy (?) and Carrie (?).

For pub crawls, Erol talked about his visit up to San Francisco. On the way he stopped in St. Stan's in Modesto. He had high praise for the oatmeal stout at Twenty Tank brewery in San Francisco. He also reported on Toronado, a well-publicized, but seedy dive in the Haight-Ashbury part of San Francisco. In Santa Cruz, he visited Santa Cruz Brewing and Seabright Brewing, extolling the virtues of Seabright.

Charles Hudak asked about the rumor that Blind Pig was in trouble with the ABC people, and were on the verge of shutting down. Someone responded that the brewery was temporarily, but only because remodeling was underway.

Ted Newcomb reported that five tickets remained for the Temecula festival. During the time he was talking, he sold four of them, and got a request for two more tickets. Dion mentioned that QUAFF members currently plan to bring 65 gallons of beer. A good suggestion (from Garth?) for brewers was to bring along the recipe, preferably laminated for the festgoers to look at.

Dion then talked about his recent sojourns as a newly registered beer judge. He and Bob Whritner went to Arizona to judge in a contest in Phoenix on April 5, and then carpooled with Bob and Skip Virgilio up to the Mayfaire in LA on April 12. In Arizona, he and Bob were place on the Best-of-Show panel. It's a tough job, but somebody has to do it!

Erol reported that his boss still has a specially fitted beer refrigerator for sale for \$50. It includes a tap handle in the door. If you're interested call Erol at 464-1133.

Ted Newcomb then made the feature presentation on boiling wort, with some discussion also about cooling. A number of discussions opened up such as whether you should cover the kettle during boiling, the amount of water boiled off, the advantages of preboiling (boiling before adding hops), hot break, cold break, and other fascinating issues.

This meeting saw one of the most impressive offerings of homebrew in recent QUAFF history. Eleven beers, a meads, and a cider were brought in, all of a different style. With the extensive collection of homebrews to try, the presentation on stouts was postponed indefinitely.

The April Beverage List

Rick Steele Altbier (with Belgian yeast) California Honey Ale John Boro American Pale Ale Greg and Liz Lorton Hefeweizen **Bruce Smith** Pete Zien American IPA **Bruce Smith** Red Ale Maibock Harold Gottschalk Skip Virgilio (AleSmith) **English Strong Ale** Crabapple Mead Jim Przywara Frank Leers Spiced Cider (Cyser?) **Bob Whritner** Raspberry Sweet Stout Dion Hollenbeck Blackbottom Ale Charles Hudak Belgian Abbey Ale

Assorted QUAFF News

At the May 6 Board meeting at San Diego Brewing, Dion announced that he and his wife will be moving to Colorado in the next year or two. Dion has individually taken on a lot of the responsibility for running QUAFF, and now wants to divest those responsibilities, in an orderly manner. As one of the first "divestitures," Tod Fitzsimmons volunteered (under heavy pressure from the other Board members present) to take on the Oktoberfest picnic. Other responsibilities to be divvied up include (among other things), club database, upcoming BJCP training program, AFCHBC program, etc.

QUAFF constructed a a multi-faucet system for the Temecula festival. When combined with the Beer Enhancement Systems bar and beer engines, it made for an impressive display at the Temecula festival. The multi-faucet system may be loaned for special occasions to QUAFF members. We are asking for a \$25 refundable cleaning deposit. (Cleaning instructions will be provided when you borrow the system, so you can get your \$25 back if it has been cleaned properly after use.) Call Dion for details.

Skip Virgilio announced that AleSmith is now brewing a brown ale, that should be available late this month or in the first half of June.

Yours truly will miss the next two QUAFF meetings. (I'll be teaching budding new business executives, teachers, family counselors, and nurses about environmental science on Tuesday nights for five weeks beginning May 20 and ending on June 17.) I would greatly appreciate any and all contributions for the newsletter so that we don't miss anything. I've implored the Board members to provide me with a summary of what goes on in the May and June meetings. And whether I miss the meetings or not, contributions of newsletter material are always appreciated. Thanks to Erol for his contribution this week.- Greg

Del Mar Fair Home Brew Contest

The ever popular Del Mar Fair Homebrew Contest will be held on Sunday, June 29, at the Paddock Stage Area of the Fairgrounds. Entries must be brought to the Paddock Stage Area between 9:00 AM and 12:00 noon on Sunday, June 29. (The official Del Mar Fair flyer incorrectly says they are due on June 22!)

This year, a \$5.00 processing fee is required for each person entry. Enter as many styles as you want for that \$5.00. This fee is non-refundable.

Preregistration is required!!!! To enter, an entry form must be mailed to:

Del Mar Fair Entry Department Attention: Home Brew Contest P.O. Box 2663 Del Mar, CA 92014

The entry form (with the processing fee) must be postmarked by June 13 to be eligible. Hand-delivered forms will be accepted in the Entry Office during normal office hours until Friday, June 13, at 5:00 PM. A copy of the entry form is inserted in this newsletter. Faxes, telephone preregistrations, and late entries will not be accepted!

Only one entry is allowed per class! But this year, the number of classes has been expanded (in an interesting and unusual sort of way). The classes are:

Barley Wine 2 3 Belgian and French Ale Belgian-Style Lambic Mild and Brown Ale 4 5 6 7 8 Classic English Pale Ale American Wheat & Pale Ale India Pale Ale **English Bitter** 9 Scottish Ale 10 Porter English and Scottish Strong Ale 11 Stout Classic Irish Style Dry Stout 12 Foreign Style Stout 13 14 Sweet Stout 15 Oatmeal Stout 16 Imperial Stout Lager 17 Bock German Dark Lager 18 19 German Light Lager 20 21 Classic Pilsener American Lager Vienna/Märzen/Oktoberfest Mixed Style (Lager-Ale) 23 24 25 German-Style Ale German-Style Wheat Beer Smoked Beer 26 27 Fruit and Vegetable Beer Herb and Spice Beer 28 29 Specialty Beer California Common Beer Mead Traditional Mead and Braggot 30 Fruit and Vegetable Mead 31

Herb and Spice Mead

32

Each entry must consist of two 12-ounce glass bottles. Do not use champagne bottles. The second bottle will go to the Sweepstakes round if you take first place in a class. Leftover bottles must be picked up within an hour of the end of the contest.

Judging will begin at 12:30. Judging criteria are flavor (40%), aroma (20%), strength and body (20%), and color (20%).

Winners in each class will receive the following: First place - Blue ribbon, plus \$10 gift certificates each from Beer & Wine Crafts, Brewers Beer Gear, and Home Brew Mart, and \$5 gift certificate with a \$30 purchase from U of Brew.

Second through fifth place - Ribbons, plus a bottle openers from U of Brew.

First place entries in each of the 32 classes will advance to the Sweepstakes round. The Sweepstakes winner will receive additional \$10 gift certificates from Beer & Wine Crafts and Brewers Beer Gear, a \$50 gift certificate from American Home Brewing Supply, and a \$25 gift certificate and T-shirt from Home Brew Mart.

Label Contest

After a year or two hiatus, the Label Contest returns to the Del Mar Fair. Every entrant in the Homebrewed Beer contest is eligible.

To enter, send a label which is the duplicate of the one you use on your homebrew entry with a label contest registration form. Use a separate 5" by 8" card for each label. Attach the label securely and neatly on one side of the card. On the reverse side of the card, clearly state your name and the class in which the label is entered. Entries will be displayed throughout the Fair. The two classes for labels are #101 - Beer, computer generated, and #102 - Beerm hand drawn. The limit is three entries per class.

The judging criteria are:

- conveys significant information
- originality
- use of color
- appropriate for size of bottle

Send your entry to the Entry office. Your entry must be postmarked no later than June 13. (Your entry may be included with your Homebrew Beer entry form.) Label entries may be hand-delivered to the Entry office no later than 5:00 on June 13.

Beer & Wine Crafts is donating a \$10 gift certificate to the Sweepstakes winner, which will be selected from the first place winners in each class.

For more details on either contest, call 792-4207. For the Home Brew Contest brochure, send a stamped, self-address legal-sized envelope to the Entry Office (address on this page).

1997 QUAFF Membership List

Here's the latest membership list (as of May 8), with phone numbers, if we have them in our database. Cut this out and put it on your refrigerator with one of those cute refrigerator magnets.

David Adkins	(760) 729-7550
Todd Anderson	222-3869
Peter Bailey	749-0533
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Mike Bates	0.7 10.0
John H. Bell III	748-9524
Horace Bixby	440-4627
Uwe Boer	(602) 547-0453
Duane & Jane Bonderson	587-6652
John Boro	(760) 436-8978
Thomas Buchenau	* *
	441-1902
Tim Chase	448-4578
Sergio Escorza	621-0617
James Everly	
Tod Fitzsimmons	536-9616
Harold & Barbara Gottschalk	390 -17 53
Darin Grenz	505-9631
Harold Gulbransen	589-098 7
Dion Hollenbeck	459-8724
Pete Hovde	560-5 7 97
Charles Hudak	641-7820
Garth Jones	455-6853
Tom Kelly	
Joe Kiely	432-0572
Erol Kilki	464-1133
John Kneipp Jr.	449-5378
Frank Leers	292-8255
Rich & Teresa Link	449-6804
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Tim & Leslie Lucas	274-4491
	(760) 436-7297
Bob & Linda MacKay	571-5558
Jeff Majors	
Pat McIlhenney	445-8836
Ted Newcomb	552-8293
Tom Nickel	583-1314
Jon Peterson	
Jim Przywara	
John Roth	484-5485
John Roussos	
Daniel Sherman	483-5647
Bruce W. Smith	670-5872
Rick Steele	465-0138
Skip Virgilio	566-7061
Bob H. Whritner	458-9840
Peter Zien	546-7824

CALENDAR

May 20	May QUAFF Meeting at La Jolla Brewing (7:30)
June 3	QUAFF Board Meeting at San Diego Brewing (6:00)
17 29	June QUAFF Meeting at La Jolla Breweing (7.30) Del Mar Fair Home Brew Contest (entries in by noon)
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1	QUAFF Board Meeting at San Diego Brewing (6:00)

15 July QUAFF Meeting at La Jolla Brewing (7:30)

QUAFF Board Meeting at San Diego Brewing (6:00 August QUAFF Meeting at La Jolla Brewing (7:30)

September

2 QUAFF Board Meeting at San Diego Brewing (6:00) 16 June QUAFF Meeting at La Jolla Breweing (7:30) 27 QUAFF Oktoberfest Picnic, Santee Lakes

Alcohol Content of Various Beers

Erol Kilki pulled this list of alcohol content of beers off of the Internet (listed in order of alcohol):

	weight %	volume %
Bud Light	2.74	3.43
Amstel Light	2.90	3.63
Coors Light	3.20	4.00
Pilsner Urquell	3.34	4.18
Miller Lite	3.35	4.19
Guinness	3.40	4.20
Samuel Adams Lager	3.40	4.20
Milwaukee's Best	3.51	4.39
Whitbread Ale	3.54	4.43
Anchor Steam	3.58	4,48
McEwan's Scotch Ale	3.59	4.49
Bass Pale Ale	3.60	4.50
Asahi	3.61	4.51
Coors	3.61	4.51
Tuborg	3.70	4.63
Miller Genuine Draft	3.71	4.64
Budweiser	3.73	4.66
Dos Equis	3.76	4.70
Pabst Blue Ribbon	3.76	4.70
Harp	3.78	4.73
Olympia	3.83	4.79
Heineken	3.88	4.85
Moosehead	3.91	4.89
Carlsberg	3.93	4.92
Lowenbrau	3.94	4.93
Labatt's 50	3.97	4.96
Molson Ale	3.97	4.96
Beck's	4.00	5.00
St. Pauli Girl	4.24	5.30 5.70
Killian's Red	4.48	5.70
Colt 45	4.71	5.89
Guinness Extra Stout	4.80	6.00
Young's London Ale	4.87	6.09
Dortmunder Union	5.80	7.25
Elephant -	5.93	7.39
EKU 28	8.73	10.91
Samichlaus	9.16	11.80

OKTOBERFEST '97 EUROPEAN BEER TOUR

Hello Brewers,

My name is Mark Stuart and I work at Deschutes Brewery. I homebrew and started a homebrew club in Bend, Oregon.

Please join me on a 14-day European beer tour for under \$1,700 including air!

We will tour Germany, Belgium, and the Czech Republic, touring famous breweries and sampling their beers. Cities we will visit include Brussels, Antwerp, Düsseldorf, Cologne, Frankfurt, Windisch-Eschenbach, Munich, and Pilsen.

Reservations are limited to 40 people.

Call me if you or someone you know would like to be a part of this Great Beer Adventure! Price is subject to change until all deposits are received.

> Sincerely, Mark Stuart 246 NW Florida Avenue Bend, OR 97701 (541) 383-3352 (541) 318-0656 (fax) E-mail: adc@bendnet.com

THE SAN DIEGO BREWING SCENE

BREWPUBS		MICROBREWERIES	
Baja Brewing Company 23 203 Fifth Avenue (Gaslamp Quarter)	1-9279	AleSmith Brewing Company 9368 Cabot Drive (Miramar)	549-9888
Callahan's Pub and Brewery 57 8280A Mira Mesa Boulevard (Mira Mesa Mall)	8-7892	Brewers: Ted and Skip ESB, Golden Anvil Black Anvil Oatmeal Stout	
Carlsbad Brewery and Public House CL 571 Carlsbad Village Drive (Carlsbad)	OSED	Stone Brewing Company 155 Mata Way, Suite 104, San Marcoswww.s Brewer: Steve Wagner Stone	471-4999 tonebrew.com Pale Ale
Coronado Brewing Company 43 170 Orange Avenue (Coronado)	7-4452	Stone Smoked Porter, Stone S	
Del Mar Stuft Pizza Cafe & Restaurant 48 12840 Carmel Country Road (Carmel Valley)	1-7883	Ballast Point Brewing 5401 Linda Vista Road, Suite 409, San Diego Brewer: Peter A'Hearn N2-tapped	92110 I Special,
	2-7883	Belgian White, Porter, Barley Wine in Tast	
and Microbrewery 10155 Rancho Carmel Dr. (Carmel Mountain Ra	nch)	Brewer's Union 5553 Kearny Villa Road, San Diego 92123	278-2739
Gaslamp Brewing 239 (formerly Cerveceria, La Cruda) 500 4th Street (Downtown)	9-0117	Brewer: Josh Lippitt Extra Brown Ale, C	Pale Ale, Golden Ale
	7-6677	HOMEBREWING SUPPLIERS	
4353 La Jolla Village Drive Hops! Bistro and Brewery 23:	2-6336	American Homebrewing Supply 11404 Sorrento Valley Rd, Suite 103, San Die	450-9476 ego 92121
310 5th Avenue (Gaslamp Quarter)	F 2520	Beer Crafts OFO M. Con Marcos Pland Suite I Con Marcos	591-9991
9675 Scranton Road (Sorrento Valley) Karl Strauss Old Columbia Brewery & Grill 23	7-2739 4-2739	950 W. San Marcos Blvd, Suite I, San Marcos Beer and Wine Crafts 450 Fletcher Parkway, El Cajon 92020	447-9191
1157 Columbia Street (Downtown) Karl Strauss Brewery & Grill 55: 1044 Wall Street, (La Jolla)	1-2739	Brewers Beer Gear 2633 State Street, Carlsbad 92008	434-0435
La Jolla Brewing Company 450 7536 Fay Street (La Jolla)	6-2739	Home Brew Mart 5401 Linda Vista Road, Suite 406, San Diego	295-2337 92110
Pizza Port/Solana Beach Brewery 135 N. Highway 101, Solana Beach	1-7332	Home Brew Mart 731 S. Highway 101, Suite 1B2, Solana Beac	794-2739 h 92075
San Diego Brewing Company 284 10450 Friars Road	4-2739	Ocean Beach Homebrewery Supply 1922 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach 92107	222-8408
San Marcos Brewery & Grill 477 1080 W. San Marcos Boulevard	1-0050	U of Brew 9245 Dowdy Drive, Suite 113, San Diego 9212	578-9405 26
Sports City Cafe and Brewery 450 8657 Villa La Jolla Drive	0-3463	http://www.UofBrew.com	
	0-3596	BEER SUPERSTORES	
721 Grand Avenue (Pacific Beach)		Beverages, & more! 8410 Center Drive, La Mesa	461-6230
BREW-ON-PREMISES Brewer's Union		212 N. El Camino Real, Encinitas 11475 Carmel Mountain Road,	943-6631
		Carmel Mountain Ranch	673-3892
Murphy's Custom Brewing 2640 Financial Court, San Diego 92117		Mesa Liquor and Wine Company 4919 Convoy Street, San Diego 92111	279-5292
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