



# BOSMOPOLITAN

sept 2009

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## DRAFT INFUSED BLOATED SODZ FEST (aka Beer & Propane)

Mke Schwartz's Place . Sept 18-20

**DRAFT**  
**Bloated** Infused  
**SODZ** fest  
SEPTEMBER  
18-20

Key highlights:

**FRIDAY NIGHT -**  
BARLEYWINE VERTICAL - break out those bottles of  
OLD Bigfoot and other fun barleywines!  
Camping - tent, pop-up, rv, trailer, or trojan goat.  
Pls RSVP if bringing RV

**SATURDAY -**  
Live Music and BBQ competition (non sanctioned) w/ Ribs,  
Chili, and Pork Explosion categories.  
Group Brew - Brewers will have access to water and  
limited (shared) electric. Grain disposal service provided.  
Bloatarian Ceremony and awards  
Bonfire  
Camping

contact Ray:  
raysnyder@fuse.net  
for RSVP or questions

**SUNDAY -**  
Communal breakfast, teardown, cleanup

10915 North Shore Dr  
Hillsboro Ohio 45133

Sept 18, 19 & 20  
Rocky Fork Lake  
10915 North Shore Dr  
Hillsboro, OH 45133

Friday Night — Barleywines!  
Saturday Night – BBQ & Chili Cook Off

**Bring Your Camping & Brewing Gear**

**Running Water & Electric Available**

**Fishing with in ¼ mile**

**Secret Ceremonies...**



**Bosmopolitan** is the official newsletter of the Bloatarian Brewing league (BBL), the original homebrew club of the Greater Cincinnati area. Annual dues are \$24 (or \$2/month pro-rated), and include an electronic subscription to this newsletter.

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#### Meeting Policy

All members and guests are required to abide by the following rules at all club meetings and events: Learn something new, teach something you know, bring something good to share (bring more than you drink), taste small samples, give other brewers lots of comments (good or bad) on their beers, and don't drive if you feel even slightly affected.

#### BBL Minister of Propaganda

Andy Melchers  
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Contact the editor for more information, including submission requirements. Back issues are available at no cost on the BBL website at [www.bloatarian.org/](http://www.bloatarian.org/)

#### Club Officers 2009-2010

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vp@bloatarian.org

*Treasurer:* MIKE CARVER  
treasurer@bloatarian.org

*Secretary:* BRYAN EVENSON  
secretary@bloatarian.org

## BBL Membership Application

Yes, I want to become the best homebrewer I can be, learn more about the art and science of brewing, and especially participate in the secret Bloatarian ceremonies!

I certify that I am of legal age to consume alcoholic beverages, with a sincere interest in homebrewing, and am willing to abide by the club bylaws and other reasonable decisions of the club officers. I promise to behave responsibly around alcoholic beverages. By joining and/or attending BBL activities, I agree to take full responsibility for my own actions and waive any and all claims against the club, club officers, members, or their designates.

I also have \$24 (or \$2/month pro-rated) to spare, so sign me up!

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (required)

Return this form along with check  
(payable to the Bloatarian Brewing League) to:

Mike Carver  
998 Mistflower Lane Florence, KY 41042

## Upcoming Competitions

10/10/2009

### 14th Annual Music City Brew-Off

<http://Musiccitybrewers.com/>  
Nashville, TN

Contact: Tom Vista

Phone: (615) 428-8847

Entry Fee: \$7.00 per entry/\$10 HopGod Challenge

Entry Deadline: 09/26/2009

10/17/2009

### OktoberBest

<http://www.maltinfusers.org/>  
Cincinnati, OH

Contact: Conan Crofoot

Phone: (513) 608-0888

Entry Fee: \$6.00 first entry, \$4 each additional

Entry Deadline: 10/13/2009

11/14/2009

### Wizard of SAAZ III

<http://hbd.org/saaz/wos.html>  
Akron, OH

Contact: Michael Krajewski

Phone: (216) 316-1302

Entry Fee: \$6.00 per entry

Entry Deadline: 11/02/2009

01/08/2010

### Big Beers, Belgians & Barleywines Homeberw Competition

<http://www.BigBeersFestival.com/>  
Vail, CO

Contact: Laura Lodge

Phone: (970) 977-0100

Entry Fee: \$5/entry

Entry Deadline: 12/30/2009

Board meetings are held on the first Monday of the month at varying locations noted within the calendar and elsewhere in the newsletter. Meetings begin at 7:00 with a toast to cenosillicaphobia. All members are welcomed to attend. It's a good forum to discuss club business, new topics, not to mention a good excuse to get out of the house and enjoy a few good beers!

## Beer & Sweat 2009 Results

### Best of Show

Ron Mahan - 1.B. Standard American Lager

### Runner Up

Frank Barickman - 11.A. Mild

### King Swanky Award

Bloatarian Brewing League

### Corny Award

Keith Kost

#### Table 1 - Soda

|        |                                   |                          |      |
|--------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|------|
| First  | Frank Barickman, Porter Barickman | Rootbeer                 | SODZ |
| Second | Jason Roeper                      | American Creamy Rootbeer | BBL  |
| Third  | David Collins                     | Rootbeer                 | BBL  |

#### Table 2 - Light Lager

|        |              |                         |     |
|--------|--------------|-------------------------|-----|
| First  | Ronald Mahan | Standard American lager | BBL |
| Second | Jason Roeper | Light American Lager    | BBL |
| Third  | Ronald Mahan | Munich Helles           | BBL |

#### Table 3 - Pilsner/Amber Lager

|        |                       |                          |       |
|--------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------|
| First  | Ken Ewing, Joe Dolwig | Oktoberfest/Marzen       | BBL   |
| Second | Jason Roeper          | Vienna Lager             | BBL   |
| Third  | Keith Kost            | Classic American Pilsner | TRASH |
| HM     | Ronald Mahan          | Bohemian Pilsner         | BBL   |

#### Table 4 - Dark Lager/Amber Hybrid

|        |                               |                        |     |
|--------|-------------------------------|------------------------|-----|
| First  | Jason Roeper                  | Munich Dunkel          | BBL |
| Second | Dick Mahiques, Bob Stephenson | California Common Beer | BBL |
| Third  | Eric Tepe                     | California Common Beer | BBL |

#### Table 5 - Bock

|        |                       |                     |       |
|--------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------|
| First  | Dave Harsh            | Eisbock             | BBL   |
| Second | Keith Kost            | Maibock/Helles Bock | TRASH |
| Third  | Ken Ewing, Joe Dolwig | Traditional Bock    | BBL   |
| HM     | Keith Kost            | Eisbock             | TRASH |

#### Table 6 - Light Hybrid

|        |              |                            |         |
|--------|--------------|----------------------------|---------|
| First  | Gregg Wilson | American Wheat or Rye Beer | BBL     |
| Second | Ronald Mahan | Cream Ale                  | BBL     |
| Third  | Scott Boyer  | American Wheat or Rye Beer | FOSSILS |



#### Table 7 - English Pale

|        |                 |  |
|--------|-----------------|--|
| First  | Patrick Testa   | Standard/Ordinary Bitter                       |
| Second | Armand Houle    | Extra Special/Strong Bitter (English Pale Ale) |
| TRASH  |                 |  |
| Third  | Frank Barickman | Special/Best/Premium Bitter                    |

#### Table 8 - Scottish/Irish/English Ale

|        |                 |                   |           |
|--------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------|
| First  | Frank Barickman | Mild              | SODZ      |
| Second | Jason Roeper    | Irish Red Ale     | BBL       |
| Third  | Tim McPartlin   | Strong Scotch Ale | CMI / BBL |
| HM     | Kevin Patterson | Mild              | BOCK      |

#### Table 9 - American Pale

|        |             |                   |       |
|--------|-------------|-------------------|-------|
| First  | Sean Dawson | American Pale Ale | SODZ  |
| Second | Keith Kost  | American Pale Ale | TRASH |
| Third  | Phil Meyer  | American Pale Ale | BBL   |

#### Table 10 - American Amber

|        |                            |                    |        |
|--------|----------------------------|--------------------|--------|
| First  | Leah Dienes                | American Amber Ale | LAGERS |
| Second | Gregg Wilson               | American Amber Ale | BBL    |
| Third  | Mike Feiertag, Jimm Foster | American Amber Ale | BBL    |

#### Table 11 - Porter/American Brown

|        |                           |               |     |
|--------|---------------------------|---------------|-----|
| First  | Ronald Mahan              | Brown Porter  | BBL |
| Second | Mark Brzezinski           | Robust Porter | BBL |
| Third  | Ronald Mahan              | Robust Porter | BBL |
| HM     | Mike Feiertag, Jim Foster | Brown Porter  | BBL |

#### Table 12 - Stout

|        |              |                        |         |
|--------|--------------|------------------------|---------|
| First  | Keith Kost   | Russian Imperial Stout | TRASH   |
| Second | Scott Boyer  | Foreign Extra Stout    | FOSSILS |
| Third  | Ronald Mahan | Russian Imperial Stout | BBL     |
| HM     | Jason Roeper | Oatmeal Stout          | BBL     |

## Beer & Sweat 2009 Results

### Table 13 - English/Imperial IPA

|        |                        |              |           |
|--------|------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| First  | Bob Masters            | Imperial IPA | CMI / BBL |
| Second | Armand Houle           | Imperial IPA | TRASH     |
| Third  | Keith Kost, Chris Meta | Imperial IPA | TRASH     |

### Table 14 - American IPA

|        |                                 |              |      |
|--------|---------------------------------|--------------|------|
| First  | Ronald Mahan                    | American IPA | BBL  |
| Second | Sean Dawson                     | American IPA | SODZ |
| Third  | Ryan Carskadon, Adam Rauckhorst | American IPA |      |

### Table 15 - German Wheat/Rye

|        |               |                  |       |
|--------|---------------|------------------|-------|
| First  | Ronald Mahan  | Weizenbock       | BBL   |
| Second | Doug Pressler | Weizen/Weissbier | BBL   |
| Third  | Keith Kost    | Dunkelweizen     | TRASH |

### Table 16 - Belgian/French Ale

|        |             |                  |         |
|--------|-------------|------------------|---------|
| First  | Phil Meyer  | Witbier          | BBL     |
| Second | Keith Kost  | Witbier          | TRASH   |
| Third  | Scott Boyer | Belgian Pale Ale | FOSSILS |

### Table 17 - Belgian Specialty Sour

|        |                |                   |     |
|--------|----------------|-------------------|-----|
| First  | Jason Roeper   | Strawberry Lambic | BBL |
| Second | Michael Carver | Belgian Stout     | BBL |
| Third  | Ronald Mahan   | Orval Clone       | BBL |

### Table 18 - Belgian Strong

|        |   |                   |       |
|--------|---|-------------------|-------|
| First  | Keith Kost  | Belgian Blond Ale | TRASH |
| Second | Keith Kost  | Belgian Tripel    | TRASH |
| Third  | Jennifer Hermann, Patty Stephenson, Debbie Mahiques | Belgian Dubbel    | BBL   |

### Table 19 - Strong Ale

|        |                  |                     |       |
|--------|------------------|---------------------|-------|
| First  | Mark Brzezinski  | American Barleywine | BBL   |
| Second | Brian Sanders    | Old Ale             | DRAFT |
| Third  | Jennifer Hermann | American Barleywine | BBL   |
| HM     | Mark Brzezinski  | Old Ale             | BBL   |

### Table 20 - Fruit/Herb/Spice/Christmas

|        |                 |                                      |       |
|--------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-------|
| First  | Don Tomino      | Munich Helles with Michigan Cherries | TRASH |
| Second | Ray Snyder      | Dry Stout with Cocoa Nibs            | BBL   |
| Third  | Darryl Dieckman | Old Ale with Black Cherries          | BBL   |

### Table 21 - Smoke/Wood-Aged/Specialty

|        |  |                                  |                                |
|--------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| First  | Lisa Shroyer, Kara Stevens                                     | Cafe Latte Stout                 | DRAFT                          |
| Second | Keith Kost   | Wood-Aged Beer                   | TRASH                          |
| Third  | Geoff Morris, CMI Club Brew                                    | Bourbon Barrel Strong Scotch Ale | CMI - Cincinnati Malt Infusers |
| HM     | Jay Hulbert, Dave Howard, Jeff Gilley, Dan Brown, Chris Wright | Oak Aged American Barleywine     | FOSSILS                        |

### Table 22 - Mead

|        |                  |                        |                           |
|--------|------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| First  | Gordon Strong    | Apple Pie Spiced Cyser | St. Paul Homebrewers Club |
| Second | Keith Kost       | Saison Braggot         | TRASH                     |
| Third  | Jennifer Hermann | Almond Mead            | BBL                       |



## “Haus Listermann” Brewout

Please get the word out that I am sponsoring a brew session with the Infusers at our camp Sep 25 to 27. Brew any time between. Bring your own brewing water, cooling water supplied. Camping will be highly encouraged.

Directions are West on I-74 to the first Indiana exit #169 - Brookville. Turn left onto 52 at the ramp, then a quick left to Indiana 46 followed by another quick left at Longnecker Rd ( think beer bottle) Go to the end of the pavement and proceed 1/3 mile until you see the sign "Haus Listermann" on the right. Park in the back yard. The address is 27507 Longnecker, West Harrison 47060, but Google maps has the road as "Bonnie" for some reason.

I intend to brew on a floating dock with river water, just see if I don't. —Dan

## Oktoberfest

### CMI Competition

Please register now to Judge at Oktober's Best Cincinnati Homebrew Competition. The competition will be held on October 17th, 2009 at 8am at Hoffner Masonic Lodge. Please sign up to Judge before October 13th. For more details see attached. To register please go to our web site:

<http://www.maltinfusers.org>

Bring the family; spend the night or the weekend at the Holiday Inn Express Hotel And Suites 1-877-863-4780. The hotel is located near the Highway and a few minutes from Downtown and the Cincinnati Zoo.

## Nottingham Dry Yeast recall

We have done some internal quality checks that have shown that a higher than normal percentage of Nottingham yeast in 11 gram sachet packs from batch #1081140118V (expiration date of Jan. 2011) exhibit slow fermentation characteristics. While this is not affecting the majority of packages from this batch, as a safeguard we would like to replace sachets of this batch of Nottingham with new inventory from a different batch. If you have any Nottingham yeast with this batch number, please return it by mail to:

Lallemand Inc.  
Attn: Marie Coppet  
6100 Royalmount  
Montreal, QC, Canada  
H4P 2R2

We will replace each sachet sent along with extra sachets to compensate you for postage costs. We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your support. Should you have any questions, please contact our Montreal order desk by e-mail at:

[homebrewing@lallemand.com](mailto:homebrewing@lallemand.com) .

# August Board Meeting Minutes

8.3.09 . Zeller's Westside Patio

**In attendance:** Andy M., John Z., Rob and Roxanne W., Bob and Patti S., Mike C., Ray S., Darryl D., Jennifer H., Dick and Patti M., Jim F.

## **Toast at 7:55 PM**

### **Beer and Sweat:**

82 rooms booked. Andy to send out e-mail to remind people to book their rooms.

Friday night beer dinner is booked. E-mail Rob Westendorf at R\_Westendorf@fuse.net to sign up.

Raffle prizes are being picked up. John Z. to pick up last of raffle prizes next week.

Final Beer and Sweat organizational meeting next Wednesday. Agreed to meet at the Comet.

Ray S. to coordinate with Andy M. on printing needs.

John Z. to pick up plastic to cover floor.

Help needed for general setup on the 14th starting around 2 PM. Contact Jennifer or show up at the Drawbridge.

Ray S. to buy plastic cups.

**Beer and Propane:** Bryan E. to send out e-mail to poll clubs for RSVP.

Ray S. to talk to Ray S. about BBQ competition.

**Cornhole Blowout:** August 29th. BYOG (bring your own glass).

**Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.**

# September Board Meeting Minutes

9.8.09 . BBLminister's Bungalow

**In attendance:** John Z., Scott L., Rob and Roxanne W., Ray S., Dave H., Andy M., Phil and Peggy M., Darryl D., Kevin S., Ray S.

## **Toast at 7:45 PM**

**Beer and Propane:** Campsite in good shape. 15 to 20 people have RSVP'd from other clubs. Help needed running the BBQ competition. Darryl volunteered.

**Post Beer and Sweat:** Most of the receipts are in. Mike should have final tally by next month's meeting. Few raffle items left for remainder of year.

**October meeting:** Beer and Cheese. Rob W. volunteered to arrange.

**General:** Sept 25-27 Brewout at Haus Listermann. Contact Dan if interested in attending and for directions.

Sept 10th Vertical Epic 9.9.9 event at Dilly Deli.

Sept 11th Cincinnati Beerfest. Still looking for a few servers if interested.

Sept 12th Live brewing demo at German Heritage Museum.

Sept 12th Homebrewing presentation at the Civic Garden Center. Brian Becker is unable to attend and am looking for replacement. Scott L. volunteered.

Sept 17th Brian Becker to give presentation on Cincinnati Brewing History at Newport Public Library

Person writing book wants to meet members of BBL. Will be in Cincinnati near end of September/beginning of October. Kevin S. to finalize date.

Bockfest is scheduled for March 6th.

## **Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 PM.**

10:05 PM John Z. forgot he drove.

## 2009-2010 AHA Club-Only Competitions

Bryan Evenson

The AHA is starting up its 2009-2010 Club-Only Competition year. This last year we've had very good participation in our club, so we are going to continue to submit entries for our club. As a refresher and for new members, the AHA sponsors six Club-Only competitions during the year, with each competition focusing on a specific BJCP style. Each AHA registered club can submit one entry.

Below is a list of the 2009-2010 Club-Only Competition schedule. If you are interested in entering, bring two bottles (or a 2-Liter filled from a keg, or the whole keg!) to the meeting which we will be selecting our club entry. As a reminder, if we select your entry, it is your duty to package and ship your beer in time for the competition. Some of the competitions occur soon after we select our entry. If you won't be able to ship your entry yourself, then supply two extra bottles (brown or green bottles, 10 to 14 oz) and we'll take care of shipping your entry if we select your beer.

This year, due to our meeting schedule and the competition schedule, we will be making our selections at the board meetings. If you would like to enter, bring your entry to a club meeting or event prior to the board meeting and give your entry to a board member.

### **November/December 2009**

#### **Belgian Strong Ale (BJCP Category 18)**

Selection at November board meeting  
Entry due to FL by November 27th

### **January/February 2010**

#### **English Brown Ales (BJCP Category 11)**

Selection at January board meeting  
Entry due to WA by February 16th

### **March/April 2010**

#### **American Ales (BJCP Category 10)**

Selection at February board meeting  
Entry due to NC TBD

### **May 2010**

#### **Extract Beers (BJCP Categories 1-23, at least 50% fermentables from extract)**

Selection at April board meeting  
Entry due to NY by May 1st

Go to [http://www.beertown.org/homebrewing/club\\_only/index.html](http://www.beertown.org/homebrewing/club_only/index.html) for more information on the AHA Club-Only Competitions.



## Brewing Demo at the German Heritage Museum

On Saturday, September 12th, the Bloatarians hosted a brewing demonstration at the German Heritage Museum, in conjunction with the German-American Citizens League. Phil Meyer and Rob Westendorf took their breweries on the road, and did two all-grain batches and one extract beer. The attendance was pretty good, with nearly two dozen people, from as far away as Xenia, showing up to check things out. We had people who'd never brewed before, others about to make the step to all-grain, and some who've already started to brew all-grain, but wanted to get their many questions answered. With very cooperative weather, a good time was had by all. We look forward to seeing some of our visitors at future Bloatarian meetings.



## FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings for the year will be held at these dates and locations:

**October 5 - Dick Mahiques**  
**7573 N Pisgah Drive**  
**West Chester, OH 45069**

November 2 - TBD

December 7 - TBD

## BEER QUOTED:

"We should probably talk about it while its still cold."

— *Roxanne, during Best of Show judging at Beer & Sweat 2009 in reference to the Standard American Lager*

"This is probably what cheerleader tryouts would be like."

*Scott L, in reference to the high ranking judges deciding who wins. Followed a few seconds later by "We can't have her on the squad, her boobs are bigger than mine."*

## OVERHEARD AT THE EWING PICNIC

"Everyone has a back Forty"

—*Rob Westendorf*

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## Brewery planned for riverfront park

**Enquirer**

With glockenspiels, biergartens and a working microbrewery, the Moerlein Lager House could provide the first sign of life for the long-awaited Riverfront Park and Banks development.

read more:

<http://news.cincinnati.com/article/20090902/BIZ01/909060303/1055/NEWS/Brewery+planned+for+riverfront+park>