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Club Brewing of Barleywine Planned

Hello, All-- Tom Ayres has kindly offered his 50 gallon oak barrel, and Maarten his home in Grand Isle for a club brew. Here is the deal: On Sunday 22 October (exact start time to be determined) we will brew 55 gallons of Barley Wine (the extra 5 gallons is used to top off the barrel) in teams of 2 people. We need enough teams brewing 5 or 10 gallon batches to make a total of 55 gallons. The batches will then be mixed and fermented in the barrel. At this point, there are no restrictions on the recipes (other than I would personally ask that no one include nuts or nut extracts in their recipe because that would send me to the hospital). If you would like to participate, or if you have equipment to donate to the cause, please let me know. That is all. --Jer 🤝

Minutes of the September Meeting by Jerry Gormley

Here are the minutes from the meeting:

1. Jerry asked the status of the write-up for the club experiment. Jerry will contact Bob Genter and see where we stand.
2. Tom Ayres would like to have a club Barley Wine brew where several groups simultaneously brew 5 or 10 gallons. We will then mix the various batches in Tom's 50 gallon oak ballel (which is currently being stored at Maarten's). Maarten will come up with a date where we could do this at his place before it gets too cold (The brew will take place in the driveway).
3. Paul Hale volunteered to host the November meeting. He will get back to

us with the date. The October meeting is still open. Any takers?

4. Rich Evans suggested soliciting new membership because the attendance at meetings has been dropping off, and interest in the Trub Trek has been waning.

a. Paul Hale volunteered to create a 4x9 card addvertising the Mashers to be put on display at VT Homebrew Supply if Anne and Matt are willing.

b. Rich also suggested having a speaker at upcoming meetins (See #5).

c. Beth Hallock asked if any work had been done with the membership survey ("What do you want out of the club?") Anne Whyte suggested. Annie?

5. Rich will organize speakers for the upcoming meetings. We attempted to do this earlier in the year, with no results to date. The project is now

under new (Rich's) management.

a. Tom Ayres suggested contacting Kip Ross of Kross Brewing.

b. If any of you have other ideas,

6. Another shot at the Trub Trek was suggested. The general consensus was that the plan needs to be simple in order for it to succeed.

a. Maarten suggested Montreal.

b. Rich suggested new local breweries.

c. Rich volunteered to spearhead the effort. He will have info by the November meeting.

d. Jerry will handle booking the bus.

e. The date is tentatively early February.

7. Is there going to be a cider crush this year? We'll find out. Annie?

8. Reminder: The Masher Challenge this year is Barley Wine. The competition takes place in April, but you may want to get started soon. 🤝

NEXT MEETING At Erik and Nancy Sandblom's On October 2nd

The next Green Mountain Masher meeting will take place on Monday, October 2nd at the home of Erik and Nancy Sandblom.

To get to Erik and Nancy's from I-89 exit 11, follow U.S. Route 2 east into Richmond Village. Turn right at the stop light (follow the sign towards Huntington). After crossing the bridge and passing the round church, veer to

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the right. Follow this road (Huntington Road) through a series of sharp curves. Take your second right onto Hill View Road. Then take your second right onto Williams Hill Road. Then take your first right onto Wortheim Lane. Their house is 0.614 mile up Wortheim Lane, on the right side of the road (The mailbox is further up the road from their driveway, also on the right). The house is a Cape-Cod style with cedar shake siding. The address is 614 Wortheim Lane and the phone number is (802) 434-3493

We'll discuss all sorts of stuff like:

1. The upcoming cider crush;
2. The club brew at Maarten's; and
3. A potential brewing experiment sponsored by Zymurgy suggested by Anne Whyte.



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