

Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers

Club Newsletter for March 2015

President's Krausening

By Jim Gress

Has it struck you how many beer-centered events we have the opportunity to participate in here in Greater Cleveland? Winter Beerfest happened in January. The House of Blues will hold Local Brews Local Grooves this weekend (2/28). The Ohio Craft Beer Association's Winter Warmer 2015 is next weekend (3/7). The Brew Kettle's annual Ogrefest is continuing, and other local breweries and brewpubs have been holding tap take-overs and all sorts of other special events. Our friends and friendly rival club, SAAZ, will have their Wizard of SAAZ competition in just a few weeks. Registrations for the American Homebrewers Association's National Homebrew Competition and National Homebrewers Conference just took place over the past couple weeks.

All that, and I didn't even mention our own club's events like every month's club meeting and SNOB Night Out. Oh, and we have the Beer No Sweat bus trip coming up in April, Big Brew in May, and our anniversary collaboration brewing project spanning the next several months. Whew! – That's a lot of opportunities to try new and interesting beers, learn about brewing, meet other beer and homebrewing enthusiasts, and learn a lot about beer. I only covered the first few months of the year, and I bet that I missed mentioning a whole bunch! Let's get out and enjoy these events as craft beer culture continues to grow in our region.

This month's meeting topic will be malt and grain. The character of finished beer depends on many things, but malted grain plays a huge role. We'll take a look at different kinds of malted grains – and some unmalted. From base malts to high-kilned specialty grains we'll get an overview of how the different malts we use are produced and the characteristics they can bring to the finished product. We'll also talk about some of the science of malting and the production of roasted and kilned malts. And we'll consider the ways homebrewers use specialty grains and some techniques to get the desired effects on the beer we make.

A few last notes.... Please remember to get current on your dues, and to check your calendar. We'll be having some sign-up sheets circulating for upcoming events – so you'll want to be sure you know whether you're free to attend.

Brew on!



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SNOB 2014 Calendar of Events

[Click here for the SNOBs Gmail Calendar](#)

March 2015

2: SNOBs meeting at Sacshenheim Hall, 7:30pm

7: [Winter Warmer Festival](#)

14: [Fremont Homebrew Throwdown](#)

21: Wizard of SAAZ competition

April 2015

6: SNOBs meeting, 7:30pm, Sachsenheim Hall

11-12: Beer, No Sweat bus trip

May 2015

4: SNOBs meeting at Sachsenheim Hall, 7:30pm

Little Mountain Homebrewers Association (LMHBA) needs judges for their King of the Mountain Competition on June 6, if you can help, sign up at www.lmhba.com

SNOBs night out

March 23 6:30pm, –Buckeye Brewing Tapstack – [Walford and West Blvd](#)

POT LUCK – BRING A DISH TO SHARE



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Welcome New SNOBs

Please welcome the following new members to the SNOBs

Jerry Trudell

March 2014

Joseph Kneale
Mike O'Donnell
John Lattea
Bruce Waddell
Matt Shearn
John Primozic
Christine Forster
Aaron Morford

April 2014

Patrick Porowski
Michael & Annette Clark
Carl Stumpf
Anthony Trapp
David Cousino
Marc Leyrer

May 2014

Jonathan & Hanna Plessner
Michael Williams

June 2014

Brian Rogel
Peter Campen
Liz Stout
Jamie Hall

July 2014

Paul Klammer
Tim LaSalvia
Rich Leskovec
Dave Watson
Dan Mott

August 2014

Madison Cummings
Erica and Rob Anton

September 2014

Blake Beharry
Andrew Martahus
Cory Kramer
Warren and Roger Rasch
George Tassie

October 2014

Keith Joritz

November 2014

Chris Smith
Lawrence Stepp
Scott Hemrock

January 2015

Bill Boor
Noah Erin
Keith Kniola
Steve Rapko

February 2015

Tom Beach
Tom Carey & Kate Dortenzo
Craig and Jessica Ihms
Mike Mocariski & Heather Hiros
Clive & Kim Morgan
Eric Rupnow
Christopher Gordon



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Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers **2015 Officers and Chairpersons**

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2015 Membership Dues

In celebration of our 25 years this year, **Single member dues are \$25. Dual memberships are \$40.** This rate applies to new members for all of 2015 (no pro-rated dues in 2015), and to **all renewals made by May 4th**! Starting May 5th (day after May meeting), the dues revert back to \$30/\$45 for current members. **SO PAY UP YOU CHEAPSKATES**



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Membership also comes with discounts (bring your membership card with you) at local craft beer places and homebrew shops:

- ✓ [Buckeye Beer Engine](#) \$1 off drafts on Mondays
- ✓ [Platform Beer Co.](#) \$1 off Platform drafts on Tuesdays
- ✓ [Butcher and the Brewer](#) \$1 off drafts on Wednesdays
- ✓ [JW Dover](#): 5% off
- ✓ [The Brew Mentor](#): 10% off
- ✓ [Grape & Granary](#): 10% off
- ✓ [Leeners](#): 10% off
- ✓ [Warehouse Beverage](#): 10% off homebrew supplies
- ✓ [Cleveland Brew Shop](#): 10% off homebrew supplies
- ✓ [Tripps Bar and Grill \(https://www.facebook.com/trippsinbroadview\)](https://www.facebook.com/trippsinbroadview) 10% off food and drink bill
- ✓ [Scoundrel's Bar & Grill](#): 10% off food and drink bill
- ✓ [Dive Bar](#): 20% off food and drink bill
- ✓ Arby's: \$1.00 for a 10lb bag of cubed ice; (Call ahead if you need more than 5 bags so they can get it ready for you.) 7687 Broadview Rd, Seven Hills, 216-901-1737 and 683 E Aurora Rd, Macedonia, 330-467-6022
- ✓ [ABC Fire Inc \(http://abcfireinc.net/\)](http://abcfireinc.net/) 20% off all CO₂ tank refills plus other CO₂ services. [Click here for price sheet](#)
- ✓ [Cantine Bar and Bottle Shop](#) - \$1 off drafts
- ✓ [Landmark Lawn and Garden Shop](#) – 35% off any size propane fill with your SNOB card
- ✓ [Cleveland Brew Bus](#) - \$55 total per tour for SNOBs members

The Membership form can be found at the end of the newsletter. Dues can be paid to Mark at the next meeting, mailed to him at the address on the form or by using our PayPal link at beersnobs.org.

S.N.O.B.'s Meeting Location

[Sachsenheim Hall, 7001 Denison Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44102](#) (216) 651-0888

Located on the south side of Denison Avenue one block east of Ridge Road



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Web Links of Interest

SNOB

website: <http://www.beersnobs.org/>

Facebook: <http://groups.to/snob/>

American Homebrewers Association

<http://www.homebrewersassociation.org/>

National Homebrewers Conference

<http://www.ahaconference.org/>

Pro Brewer (Brewing tools and calculators)

<http://www.probrewer.com/resources/tools/>

Grape and Granary

<http://www.grapeandgranary.com/>

The Brew Mentor

<http://www.thebrewmentor.com/>

J.W. Dover

<http://www.jwdover.com/catalog/>

Leener's

<http://www.leeners.com/>

Cleveland Brew Shop

<http://clevelandbrewshop.com/>

Brew Your Own (Magazine)

<http://byo.com/>

Basic Brewing

<http://www.basicbrewing.com/>

The Brewing Network

<http://www.thebrewingnetwork.com/>

Brewing TV

<http://www.brewingtv.com/>



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Membership Form Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers (SNOB)

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Dues can be paid in cash, check to "SNOB", PayPal to Danish.ace (at) sbcglobal.net, and credit cards (only in person, fee applies)

Name(s) _____

Street _____

City _____

State _____

Zip Code _____

Phone (_____) _____

Email _____

Email _____

Today's date _____

