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SOCIETY OF NORTHEAST OHIO BREWERS

CLUB NEWSLETTER

May Meeting  
May 6, 2019 7:30 PM  
Sachsenheim Hall  
7001 Denison Ave, Cleveland, OH 44102

If you plan on bringing a keg or growler to the meeting, please tell us a little about it [here](#). You can also request in-person or anonymous feedback. Even if you are not bringing anything, check out the link to see what's coming!

Also, don't forget to pay your dues!



PRESIDENT'S KRAUSENING

Thanks again to everyone who helped make the Cleveland NHC regional location such a success! In addition thanks to John Majetic for planning another great Beer No Sweat Bus Trip!

Congratulations to all of the SNOBs members who placed at NHC, TRASH, and the Ohio Mead Competition.

April was an event filled month, and May should continue that theme. Our meeting this May will feature a talk about lagers, and some potential solutions to make them easier to make without significant equipment investment. 25% of the styles within the BJCP are lagers, so this should be a great opportunity for everyone to learn. This month's night out will be a bit later in the month than normal, the 20th, at Buckeye Beer Engine.

This year's big brew will be moved to June 8th due to availability with Terrestrial. As a result of big brew being later in the year, we have the opportunity to participate in the [Iron Brewer Competition](#) put on by The Cleveland Brew Shop & Home Bros. This competition is a spin on the TV show, where a secret ingredient is revealed the day of the event May 4th, and wort is brewed on site. The cost of the competition (\$30 for single entry, \$50 for two person team), includes the secret ingredient, breakfast, a t-shirt, and a 20% discount on the raw materials.

-Neal



## BIG BREW 2019

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The SNOBs Big Brew 2019 will be on June 8.

Here's how it will work.

We will be announcing a malt bill soon. On June 8, we will create the wort at Terrestrial Brewing Company. The wort will be unhopped, and boiled briefly for sanitation. SNOBs members are encouraged to brew with us!

[Click here to sign up for wort.](#) Each person will get 5 gallons (or more, if you want), and is first-come, first-served (paid members only). Participants can take this wort home and treat it however they would like. Specialty grains, hops, fruits, spices, etc... just let your imagination go wild! In August there will be a contest at Terrestrial for the best beer. The winner will get a chance to brew their recipe with Terrestrial. In addition, we will have a people's choice competition at the August meeting.

Also, as Neal mentioned, the fact that our Big Brew is in June frees you up for National Big Brew Day on May 4. You can participate in [Iron Brewer](#) or just brew the official recipes, "[Trans-Atlantic Blonde](#)" or "[BattleCow Galacticose](#)".



## RECENT WINNERS - CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER!

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Congratulations to all SNOBS who got metals at NHC!

- Greg Irving - Bronze: Pale European, Gold: British and Irish Stout
- Paul Shick - Silver: Pilsner
- Keith Kost - Bronze: Amber European, Gold: Smoke-Flavored Beer
- Jim Jadwisiak and Cara Baker- Silver: Pale British, Gold: Pale American
- Tom Beach - Gold: Specialty IPA
- Neal Repko - Gold: European Sour
- Todd Donnelly - Silver: Traditional Mead
- Andrew Mitchell - Silver: Standard Cider and Perry

Here are some winners in other recent competitions!

- TRASH – Paul Klammer – Silver: Malthy German
- TRASH – Keith Kost – Gold: Pale German, Silver: Pale European, Bronze: Bitter European, Silver: Dark British, Gold: Smoked, and all those metals got him the Turtle Creek Award!
- OMC – Mark Rames – Bronze: Spiced Mead,
- OMC - Pete Campen – HM: Traditional Mead
- OMC – Todd Donnelly – Bronze: Berry Mead
- SODZ – Jessica Ihms – Silver: Brown British

I apologize if I missed anyone! If you know any SNOBS medal winners please let me know so I can feature them!



## WIZARD OF SAAZ

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We could really use more judges for this comp. The Snobs should be better represented, not only because the Cuyahoga Cup is on the line... but because the SAAZ always help us out. The Saturday sessions are also much closer to Cleveland this year, so it's not like you have to go far.... just to Fairlawn.

If you've never judged before but want to learn how, come and sign up! You have to start somewhere! There are plenty of experienced judges who don't mind showing you the ropes. If you have any questions about judging, feel free to reach out to any officer we will help run you through the details. Hit us up at the next meeting!

Judging is May 7 at 6PM and May 11 at 9 AM and 1 PM. Sign up at <http://saazakron.com/WoS/>.



## PRO-AM OPPORTUNITIES

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We will once again be collaborating with local breweries to create Pro-Am beers. We have already made great beers at Bookhouse and Butcher and the Brewer! Some other breweries we might work with include Great Lakes, Saucy, and BRIM.

Want to sign up? Here are some simple rules:

1. Be a SNOB member (that means pay your dues)
2. Do what you can to be involved and learn
3. Enjoy the beer with your fellow SNOB members and friends

**Sign Up Here:** [https://drive.google.com/open?id=1Ish3Y\\_WWZUFm-DalXuvMw3-wg\\_LapqiXVSo2Y8W01JA](https://drive.google.com/open?id=1Ish3Y_WWZUFm-DalXuvMw3-wg_LapqiXVSo2Y8W01JA)

Priority will be given to people who did not brew last year, but please sign up if you are interested. It's a great way to meet fellow SNOBs as well as learn from professional brewers.



## BEER WOMEN ROCK

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This year's Beer Women Rock event will be held on July 27th. For those of you who are not familiar with the organization, it is a local group of women who are involved with the beer industry in some capacity who do a fundraiser for a different Cleveland-area charity every year. The last couple of years they raised around \$5000 for our charities, and the event is a lot of fun. Every year, they brew a special beer at Brick and Barrel that will be tapped at the Beer Women Rock event July 27 at Jukebox.

Jessica Ihms (club treasurer) is heading up the brewing committee. She could use some more female voices on the team, so she wanted to extend the invitation to her fellow home brewers. And if you want to participate in a different capacity, that's cool too! It looks like brew day at Brick and Barrel will be Sunday, June 9th, if you would like to attend that. Reach out to her at the next meeting, or email her at [treasurer@beersnobs.org](mailto:treasurer@beersnobs.org)

## CLEVELAND SUMMER BEERFEST – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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[Cleveland Summer Beerfest](#) will be June 14-15 at Jacob's Pavillion. Of course, you could attend as a paid attendant, but why not volunteer? And, if you're volunteering, why not help a local organization out? It's a win-win situation!

SNOB Blake Beharry is the Trinity Clothing Ministry Coordinator. If you are volunteering for Cleveland Summer Beerfest, he asks that you add TRINITY in the non-profit space provided. You will get them \$25 a person! Need more convincing? You will get entry into the event, a sampling mug and time to sample (please remain sober enough to do your volunteering job), a shirt, and pizza!

Go to <http://clevelandbeerfest.com/volunteer-3/> to volunteer. You must pre-register, and slots are filling up fast so register ASAP.



## MAY SNOBS NIGHT OUT

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May 20, 2019  
Buckeye Beer Engine  
15315 Madison Ave, Lakewood, OH 44107

This month's SNOBs night out will be at [Buckeye Beer Engine](#). Mondays are \$10 Burger + Beer nights! Hope to see you there!

## OTHER UPCOMING COMPETITIONS

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- [Iron Brewer](#) – May 4
- [Wizard of Saaz \(Akron\)](#) – May 11 – Judges needed!
- [Ohio State Fair](#) – June 1 – Reg ends May 14!
- June 27 – NHC - good luck to everyone who made it!
- Beer and Sweat – August?
- [King of the Mountain](#) – Sept 21
- [Michigan Mead Cup](#) – Oct 19
- [Son of Brewzilla](#) – Nov 8-9
- [Beer 4 Boobs](#) – Nov 11

If you know of any upcoming competitions you think should be highlighted, email Erica at [secretary@beersnobs.org](mailto:secretary@beersnobs.org)





## APRIL RECAP

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Thank you Aaron Wirtz! We can't wait to check out [Planted Flag](#).

We had an incredible time at Beer No Sweat. We didn't even accidentally go to Canada! I personally managed to try about 75 beers over 2 days, and I know several of my fellow SNOBs did much more. What I'm saying is You should probably come next year, it's tons of fun.

Finally, thank you to The [Butcher and the Brewer](#) for hosing our night out. The collaboration beer was great!



## CLUB SUBSCRIPTION TO BYO

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[BYO Magazine](#) has updated the way they do their club subscriptions, so you no longer have to go through the club to get the discounted rate. You will also get to choose if you want the digital version, the print version, or both. All you have to do is go to their [subscription website](#) and enter the code "club19" in the coupon code section.

The deadline is June 30.



## BJCB CIDER JUDGE PROGRAM

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The BJCP has launched their [Cider Judge program](#). This follows the same format as the beer and mead judging programs. Check out the article for some great resources, including a study guide. Even if you do not plan on becoming a judge, there will be some good resources for you!



## UPCOMING MEETINGS

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June 3

July 1

August 5 – Big Brew Competition!

September 9

October 7

November 4

*Upcoming topics will be listed here soon.*



## OTHER IMPORTANT INFO AND DATES

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June 8 – Big Brew at Terrestrial

June 9 – Beer Women Rock Brew Day

June 15 – Cleveland Summer Beerfest

June 27-29 – [Homebrewcon](#)

July 27 – Beer Women Rock Event

September 20-22 - SNOBtoberfest

October 3-6 [Great American Beer Festival](#)

December 6 – SNOBS Christmas Party

If you know of any upcoming events you think should be highlighted here, email Erica at [secretary@beersnobs.org](mailto:secretary@beersnobs.org)



## 2019 OFFICERS AND CHAIRPERSONS

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## LINKS AND MEMBERSHIP INFO

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- [SNOB Meeting Location](#)
- [Recipes and Tools](#)
- [Web Links of Interest](#)
- [SNOB Web Page](#)
- [SNOB Facebook](#)

### **Membership Dues**

SINGLE MEMBER DUES ARE \$30. COUPLES ARE \$50 AND AS IS STATED IN THE BY-LAWS, *DUAL MEMBERSHIPS ARE ONLY FOR PEOPLE LIVING AT THE SAME ADDRESS*. PAY UP YOU CHEAPSKATES! THE MEMBERSHIP FORM CAN BE FOUND AT THE END OF THE NEWSLETTER. DUES CAN BE PAID TO JESSICA AT THE NEXT MEETING, MAILED TO HER AT THE ADDRESS ON THE FORM OR BY USING OUR PAYPAL LINK AT [BEERSNOBS.ORG](https://www.beersnobs.org)

