

Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers

Club Newsletter for October 2013

President's Krausening

By Todd Donnelly

Greeting fellow SNOBs!

Our meeting on Aug 26th was well attended per usual and we had some great presenters who shared a ton of good info and good beer!

Special thanks to:

- **Brian Wright, Brian Seelinger and Paul Benner** who helped us explore the business and supply side of our homebrewing hobby. I love to see passion in someone involved with this hobby and it's hard to show more than these guys who have decided to make the hobby their life's work – love that! I think if we let him, Brian W. would still be giving us awesome info a month later, and that's one of the hardest parts of running a meeting is trying to keep us on schedule because I could have listened to them all evening!
- **Rick Seibt** gave us the history on cask ales and how to make a firkin at home for your own enjoyment. Thanks for the tasty cask version of Hopnotic for us to taste!
- **Andy Tveekrum** revised his NHC platform presentation just for the club. An awesome peak into the process of starting up Nano!

From all reports our annual Fall campout/homebrew extravaganza **SNOBtoberfest** was well attended and great success. Hopefully some of the members will be able to update the group at the meeting on Monday with pictures or stories of the weekend. Look for this next year as a don't-miss event if you can help it. I was in North Carolina but followed the event via everyone's Facebook feeds and wished I was there.

Officer Nominations! That's right... it's that time of year again. Time to nominate some worthy SNOBs members for office. All officer positions are open for nominations so think about that club member who you think would do a great job and nominate them at the meeting Monday. I can say from experience (twice) that being an officer is a very rewarding experience and you will absolutely enjoy it. It's a great way to meet more of your fellow club members, learn a lot about homebrewing, and give something back to your beloved hobby. Elections will be at the November 4th meeting and we'll accept a last round of nominations at that time as well. Don't be shy!

Some **great events** coming up in our world of Cleveland Beer and homebrewing you won't want to miss:

- 1) Cleveland **BEER WEEK!** Get ready for the biggest week of beer related fun this town sees all year. Take advantage of some local events, or go for the gusto and get in with some of the marquee events. The week ends with an amazing beer tasting that's a very GABF like experience – **Brewzilla** which is



Saturday Oct 26th. As always, as a SNOB you'll have a number of opportunities to volunteer for events to pour and to enjoy the event for free.

Sign up at

http://clevelandbeerweekinc.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?start_over&id=3537

- 2) **Son of Brewzilla** – our annual mega homebrew contest has been scheduled for November 23rd. Nothing else beer related is scheduled within 2 weeks, and it's a full week before Thanksgiving so that shouldn't be an issue for anyone, and it gives us some extra time to plan (and brew) for the big day. What do we need from our membership? Two things – your entries into our big event, and your assistance in the planning and execution of the contest. It's fun, it's educational, it's amazingly social, and it's BEER! See me or contest co-organizers **Mike Ontolchik and Greg Irving** for more info. The SPONSORSHIP flyer is included in this newsletter, if you have a business that would like to sponsor the event, or you know someone who might please share this readily with anyone you know. See the contest/registration site at: <http://beersnobs.org/cbwcomp/>

It's now unmistakably Autumn here in the Midwest, and that means that some of the best seasonals to enjoy. We're overrun with all of the various pumpkin/spiced beers and of course Oktoberfest beers from just about everyone. I've been enjoying my favorite from Southern Tier – Pumking, as often as I'm able, as well as some Nosferatu and Oktoberfest from GLBC. My fridge has no less than 6 different fall seasonals in there right now, what

are you drinking? It's also time to make cider, a remarkably simple beverage to make and extremely versatile so if you've not fermented yourself a cider yet, time to get started! Bring any recently brewed beers/ciders to the next few meetings and share with the club if you are able.

Cheers!

Todd

SNOB 2013 Calendar of Events

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

October 2013

7:SNOBs Meeting, 7:30PM Sachsenheim Hall

10:Great American Beer Festival (10/10 – 10/12)

18:Cleveland Beer Week (10/18 – 10/26)

November 2013

2:AHA Teach a Friend to Brew – Locations TBD

4:SNOBs Meeting, 7:30PM Sachsenheim Hall

8-10: IX International Beer Fest

14: [AHA Rally – Great Lakes Brewing](#)

23:Son of Brewzilla

December 2013

6:SNOBs Christmas Party 6:00PM Sachsenheim Hall (Dinner at 7:00PM)



Competition Corner

Please use our club name when you enter competitions:
Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers (SNOB)

11/23: [Son of Brewzilla – Enter Now!](#)

March/April 2014 – [Club Only Competition – Strong Belgian Ale](#)

May 2014 – [Club Only Competition – All Things Porter](#)

Reference Material:

- [Shipping Beer for Competition](#)
- [Make Your Beer Competition Ready](#)

<http://amog.com/lifestyle/155665-10-american-cities-brew-beer/>

AHA Rally – Great Lakes Brewing

Thursday, November 14, 2013

Time: 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Address: [2701 Carroll Ave, Cleveland, OH 44113](#)

Web: [Great Lakes](#)

Space is limited, please [RSVP](#).

Judges Needed: Cincinnati Malt Infusers Contest

The Cincinnati Malt Infusers are holding their Oktoberfest Homebrew Competition on October 19th. As with all other competitions of late – we could use MORE JUDGES. It's still a few weeks off but we would really like to be properly staffed with judges.

All the details about the competition and how to register can be found here [Oktoberfest](#). It will be held at the Radisson Hotel in Covington, Kentucky. A special rate of \$99 is available if you let them know you are coming to volunteer for Oktoberfest.

We will be having an event on Friday night that involves free appetizers, free craft beer and a tour of the next brewery to open in the Cincy area [Fig8+ Ball Brewing](#), at Party Source. We'll have something going on Saturday night as well but we don't have all the details worked out.



Welcome New SNOBs

Please welcome the following new members to the SNOBs

December 2012

Dan & Kathy Orchard
Jimmy Smith & Tania Radovic

January 2013

Kevin Mauser
Rick Wisniewski

February 2013

ZechLaughbaum
Lee Browning
Andrew Bonamer
CavanVannice
Christina Ely

March 2013

Andy Carr
Andy & TarynGress
Casey Divoky
Scott Masony
Brian Stewart
Todd Dennis
Eric Phipps

April 2013

Jeff Cassano
Carlin & Rory Culbertson
Rich Frederick & Carol Wisniewski
Matt Bender
Mathew Vann

July 2013

Joe and Margie Puchalski
Jeff Truelson
Lowell Morris

August 2013

Jim & Krislynn McCombs
Scott Eckroate
Bob and Shelle Campbell

September 2013

David Reed
Adam and Amy Kelly
Mark & Margaret Schneider

Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers 2013 Officers and Chairpersons

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SNOBs Nights Out– October 18 - 26

Cleveland Beer Week Events

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



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2013 Membership Dues

Membership dues for 2013 are now being collected by Mark Knapp, treasurer. The price of a SNOBs membership remains the same, still a bargain at only \$30 for an Individual membership, \$45 for a Dual membership, so **pay up you cheapskates!!**

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

- ✓ [Stamper's Grill Pub](#): \$1 off drafts
- ✓ [Buckeye Beer Engine](#) \$1 off drafts on Mondays
- ✓ [JW Dover](#): 5% off
- ✓ [The Brew Mentor](#): 10% off
- ✓ [Grape & Granary](#): 10% off
- ✓ [Leeners](#): 10% off
- ✓ [Warehouse Beverage](#): 10% off homebrew supplies
- ✓ [Rozi's Wine House](#): 10% off homebrew supplies
- ✓ [Cleveland Brew Shop](#): 10% off homebrew supplies
- ✓ [Jocko's Bar & Grill](#): 10% off food and drink bill
- ✓ [Scoundrel's Bar & Grill](#): 10% off food and drink bill
- ✓ [Dive Bar](#): 20% off food and drink bill
- ✓ [Erie Supply House](#): 10% off merchandise in our store with your SNOBs card.
- ✓ [Arby's](#): 7687 Broadview - \$1.00 for a 10# bag of cubed ice; (Call ahead if you need more than 5 bags so they can get it ready for you.)

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

August Treasurers Report

August Income		August Expenses	
Membership	\$135.00	Room Rental (Sachs)	\$75.00
Raffle	\$0.00	OktoBEERfest	\$18.00
		SNOBwear	\$200.00
Subtotal	\$135.00	Subtotal	\$293.00

September Treasurers Report

September Income		September Expenses	
Membership	\$205.00	Room Rental (Sachs)	\$75.00
Raffle	\$483.00	Brew Experiements	\$25.00
SNOBWear	\$150.00	SNOBwear	\$111.00
		Brew & Canoe	\$57.00
Subtotal	\$838.00	Subtotal	\$268.00



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/>



Membership Form

Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers (SNOB)

c/o Mark Knapp
2668 Hampton Rd.
Rocky River, OH 44116

Individual Membership (\$30)

Dual Membership (\$45)

Name(s) _____

Street _____

City _____

State _____

Zip Code _____

Phone (_____) _____

Email _____

Email _____

Your name and address may be released to beer related business or groups **unless** you initial here _____.

Today's date _____

