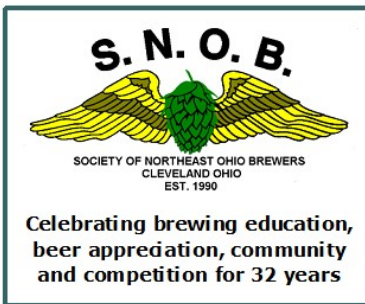


August, 2023

Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers



Our Next Meeting

Monday, August 7th
7:30 pm
Sachsenheim Hall
7001 Denison Ave.
Cleveland, Ohio 44102
Eric Anderson—Saucy
Brew Works

Upcoming Events

September Meeting

Monday, **August 28th**
6:00 pm.
Sachsenheim Hall Beer
Garden.
Style meeting for Ses-
sion Beers

SNOBtoberfest

September 15-17th
Brooklyn Exchange
Cabin

Christmas Party

Friday, December 1st
Sachsenheim Hall

*See more details on
these and other events
inside this newsletter.*

President's Krausening

- Erica Anton

Hi Everyone!

I finally got my score back from my BJCP tasting exam I did back in November. I was really happy with my score and am busily worrying about the next step – the written exam.



I remember *a bunch* of years ago being a young beer nerd at the Labor Day Oktoberfest and seeing that there was a competition for the beers judged by "industry experts, local celebrities, and qualified beer judges".

Not being either or those first two things, I wondered how the heck you get to become a beer judge. Well, I did the thing and if you are interested in becoming a beer judge, you can too!

I am a big proponent of anyone who wants to become a beer judge volunteering at a competition as a steward. It is easy, you get to try a bunch of beers, and you get to see how the judging process works. When you are comfortable, you can join the judging table. You do not have to be a BJCP judge to do so, and in fact I recommend getting some practice under your belt.

There are a lot of competitions coming up, so sign up! If you have any questions about the process of becoming a BJCP judge, don't hesitate to ask me any questions (or, really, any other the other judges in the club).

Wish me luck when I finally try this written exam!

Cheers,

Erica

Big Brew Tasting & Summer Picnic

The Big Brew Tasting & Summer Picnic in the Sachsenheim Hall Beer Garden was held on Friday, July 7th. We had a really great turn-out for this popular event. Lots of thanks, of course, to Terrestrial Brewing for sponsoring this event and for Grumpy for putting together some great food for us. Brewly Homebrew Club participated with us again this year and once again brought some really tasty brews.

SNOB and Brewly brewers did not disappoint and came through with many well-made beers. Peoples Choice winners won Terrestrial brewing gift cards. The third place winner of a gift card in the voting was Jay O'Neill and son-in-law Eli Urban with an Imperial Pilsner. Second place winner was Marius Fekete of Brewly with his Cold IPA. First place went to Club Treasurer Jessica Ihms for her Peach Chamomile Brew. Ralph and Drew sampled all of the entries and chose Marius' Cold IPA as Terrestrial's choice to brew. Congratulations Marius!





Upcoming Competitions

Upcoming AHA / BJCP sanctioned competitions include the following:

August 19th— 35th Annual Beer & Sweat, Keg Only, Hamilton, OH

September 16th—King of the Mountain, Mentor, Ohio

September 17th—Cleveland Brew Shop Oktoberfest Comp, Cleveland, Ohio

November - Son of Brewzilla, Middleburg Heights, OH

September Meeting

Two Things of note for the September meeting:

- 1. Due to the Labor Day Holiday, the September Meeting will be held on Monday August 28th.**
2. It's going to be a Style Meeting. The Style is Session Beers. August is a great month to brew and enjoy the light drinkable 'lawnmower beers'. Brew a Cream Ale, Blonde, Pale Ale, IPA or other light style beer and bring it to the September meeting to share with the club and discuss.



SNOBtoberfest

Plan on attending this year's SNOBtoberfest. Our annual campout at the Brooklyn Exchange Cabin in Hinkley will be here before you know it. Camp or just come by and visit. The club will provide meats for cooking. Plan on bringing some side dishes, desserts and beer. There is no cost to members to attend.

Dates: September 15th-17th

Place: Brooklyn Exchange Cabin, 2400 State Rd, Hinkley, OH 44233



Other Beer Events

Cleveland Brew Shop 2nd Annual Oktoberfest Party & Homebrew Competition

Unfortunately last year the Cleveland Brew Shop's first Oktoberfest event was scheduled for the same date as SNOBtoberfest weekend. Good news . . . this year you can do both! Cleveland Brew Shop Has a homebrew competition for Fest Style beers and a tasting party with food, music, awards and prizes. Check their website for competition details, additional information and tickets. [The Cleveland Brew Shop](#)



Speed Bump | Dave Coverly

Real Life Adventures | Gary Wise and LanAldrich



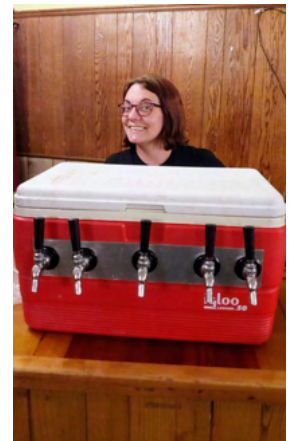
Request for Homebrew

Monthly Meetings

Please consider bringing a keg or growler of your homebrew to share at monthly meetings. Let Erica know in advance, she can add it to the meeting slides. Bringing your beer is a good way to get constructive feedback from the members and judges in attendance. Also as Mr. Rogers liked to say "It's nice to share".

Style Focus Meetings

Throughout the year we will be having style focus meetings. We wanted to let you know the themes ahead of time to give everyone a chance to get the ideas (and the wort) going! Please let us know if you plan on participating. We would like at least 4 samples at each of the planned style meetings



Collaboration Opportunities!

Would you like to be part of a SNOB collaboration team and help brew at a local craft brewery? Join a SNOB Collab. People interested should email Mike Ontolchik at vicepresident@beersnobs.org.



Newsletter

Have any ideas for the newsletter? Is there anything you'd like to see here occasionally or on a regular basis. Don't hesitate to share your ideas. Let me know! Cheers, Jay

SNOBwear T-Shirts

We still have a good selection of sizes of the SNOB T-Shirts available.

\$10 for sizes S—XL, \$15 for larger sizes

Contact Jay if you want one — secretary@beersnobs.org



Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers

SNOB is one of Ohio's oldest clubs for homebrewers. Founded in 1990 and recognized as AHA's national club of the year in 2020, the club meets the first Monday of each month a 7:30 PM at [Sachsenheim Hall](#) on Cleveland's West Side. In addition to monthly meetings, the club also hosts special evenings at local brewpubs and restaurants, homebrew competitions, a spring bus trip, a summer camping event, our annual Oktoberfest weekend festival and an extravagant Christmas party. Visitors are always welcome at our meetings, where they will find lively presentations on beer and brewing, great conversation, and answers to any brewing questions they might have. Website at:

[SNOBS | Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers Cleveland, Ohio \(beersnobs.org\)](#)

Membership Dues

As always, non-members are welcome at meetings, but some activities (parties, bus trip, collaboration brews) are members only. Please consider joining today! Single member dues are \$30. Couples (living in same household) are \$50. Dues can be paid to the treasurer at the meetings, by contacting treasurer@beersnobs.org or using the paypal link found on our website, <https://www.beersnobs.org/>

Your membership dues are used to pay for club activities throughout the year like the annual Christmas Party and rental at The Brooklyn Exchange Cabin where we hold the annual SNOBtoberfest. They pay for food, supplies and prizes for SNOBtoberfest, Chili Cook-off, Big Brew etc.

Plus, use your SNOB membership to gain discounts on all things brewing and beer-related at:

Cleveland Brew Shop - 10% off on all brewing supplies. Use the code SNOBs10 when filling out the online order form. <https://www.clevelandbrewshop.com>

Grape & Granery - 5% off on all brewing supplies. Use the code SAAZ1819 when filling out the online order form or show your card at checkout. <https://www.grapeandgranery.com>

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