

## President's Krausening

- Erica Anton

Hello SNOBs,

Despite the frost warning, I feel Spring in the air! Heck, I'm even looking forward to doing some yard work because there is nothing quite like having a nice brewski after coming in from some hard work.

Speaking of hard work, we have a lot of fun things going on in the club and people have already started to take home the hardware. At TRASH in Mid-April, Jay and Eli took first place in Strong British Ales and third overall with their Olde Snollygoster old ale. Jay also brought the SNOBs Barrel aged project. It scored a huge 42 points and took first place in wood-aged beers. Go, SNOBs!

Does that sound good? Want to get some inspiration to make your own barrel aged beer? Don't miss our May meeting on May 2. Clark Benson of Masthead will be joining us to talk about their barrel ageing pro-

gram. If you have any barrel-aged beers waiting at home we'd love to try them! Of course, as always, if you have any other beers you would like to share that would be great, too. If you want to go and check out Masthead for yourself, why not join us at SNOBs night out on May 11 from 6:30-8:30.



Strap on your booties because May is going to be a busy month with Big Brew on May 7 (sign up here! <https://forms.gle/B1E73wVyg6wBP9Xu8>) and Beer No Sweat (sign up here! <https://forms.gle/UF6qPXqANegPwWZN7>) May 21-22. What a great way to kick off the warmer weather.

Hope to see you Monday!

Cheers,

*Erica*

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### Our Next Meeting

**When:**

May 2nd at 7:30 pm

**Where:**

Sachsenheim Hall  
 7001 Denison Ave.  
 Cleveland, Ohio 44102

**What:**

Masthead Brewing's  
 Barrel Aging Program

## This Month's Meeting

Clark Benson is director of Masthead Brewing's Barrel Aging program. He will be in to talk about the process and scale of their barrel aging operation and how it applies to homebrewing.

They are known for their ever evolving lineup of juicy New England IPAs, Neapolitan-style pizza, and the barrel aged beer utilizing exclusively allocated whiskey barrels from top-rated distilleries.

**PLEASE KEEP OUR MEMBERS HEALTHY**

**IF YOU HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO COVID-19, HAVE SYMPTOMS, OR THINK YOU MIGHT HAVE COVID-19, PLEASE FOLLOW THE CDC GUIDELINES FOR QUARANTINE AND ISOLATION.**

## Upcoming Events

### May, 2022



**2<sup>nd</sup>** - Monthly Meeting @ Sachs—**Clark Benson** from **Masthead** will be here to talk about their barrel ageing program

**7<sup>th</sup>** - **Big Brew**—Terrestrial

**10<sup>th</sup>** - **Night Out** at Masthead Brewing

**21<sup>st</sup>**—**Beer No Sweat** See below for details.

### June, 2022

**6<sup>th</sup>** - Monthly Meeting @ Sachs—Style Meeting, **Yeasty Beers**

**23rd-25th**—**HomebrewCon**, Pittsburgh, PA

### July, 2022

**1<sup>st</sup>** - Monthly Meeting @ Sachs. *Friday evening* **Big Brew Tasting** and party.

## Beer No Sweat Returns in 2022!

After a two year Covid-forced hiatus, John Majetic has put together another fantastic SNOB bus tour with eleven hand-picked brewery stops over 2 days.

On **Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup>**. We will Leave Baron's Bus at 10:10 AM.

**Bell Tower**, Arrive 11:00 AM, Leave 12:30

**Akronym**, Arrive 1:00 PM Leave at 2:00

**Wooly Pig**, Arrive 3:10 PM Leave at 4:00

**Dankhouse Brewing**, Arrive 5:00 PM Leave at 6

**Three Tigers**, Arrive 6:10 PM Leave at 7:40

**Gemut Biergarten**, Arrive at 8:20 PM Leave at 9:20

We will most likely be staying at the Drury Inns and Suites in Polaris Columbus. John is awaiting confirmation on the hotel.

Then on Sunday, we will hit the following breweries:

**Antiques on High**, Arrive at noon leave at 1:30

**Pretentious Barrel House**, Arrive at 1:45 PM Leave at 2:45

**Noctera**, Arrive at 3:15 PM Leave at 4:15

**The Phoenix**, Arrive at 5:20 PM Leave at 6:50

**Medina Brewing Co.**, Arrive at 7:40 PM Leave at 9:00 PM

Arrive back at Barons at 9:30 PM



**Cost** for bus portion of the trip is \$116 per person. **Sign up here—**

<https://forms.gle/UF6qPXqANegPwWZN7>

## Terrestrial Brewing Big Brew

Mark your calendars for **May 7th** for BIG BREW DAY! Once again our friends at **Terrestrial Brewing** are making the wort for us at no charge. Members will have the opportunity to take 5 gallons home to be finished any way they would like. The wort will be neutral and brewers can finish it any way they like. At our July meeting we will have peoples choice awards for the favorite beers brewed and Terrestrial will choose one for a Pro-Am collaboration. We have invited the Brewly Club to participate with us and it will once again be a homebrew extravaganza.

**Sign Up For Your Wort Here:** <https://forms.gle/B1E73wVyg6wBP9Xu8>

**Date :** May 7th

**Place:** Terrestrial Brewing

**Time:** 2 pm. The wort will be ready at 2 pm, Ralph and Drew do not need help with the brew process however come early and enjoy a couple beers while you wait. The wort will have been brought up to temperature to sterilize, but it will not be boiled

**Instructions:** Drop off a clean, sanitized container for your 5 gallons of wort (**labeled with your name on both the container and lid**) to Terrestrial the week prior to Big Brew (Between May 1-6 & please consider supporting Terrestrial by having a couple beers or getting a crowler of beer to take home with you).



## SNOBs On Tap / April Night Out

The Club's March Night Out took place on Tuesday, April 12th at the **Fat Head's Brewery & Tap Room** in Middleburg Heights. We sampled the current iteration of the SNOBs IPA. It tasted every bit as delicious and hoppy as it did when it was first issued to celebrate our 30th Anniversary in 2020. Thank you Matt Cole and your team at Fat Head's. Thanks to all who came out. It was good to be back at Fat Head's.



## SNOBs On Tap, continued

On the evening following the Night Out, there were two other events at breweries featuring beers that SNOB members were involved in designing and brewing.

At **Brick and Barrel** we tasted the juicy 2022 Pink Boots IPA brewed by **Cara Baker, Jessica Ihms & Jim Kasper**.



It was an IPA kind of night, because at **Platform Beer**, we got to taste **Greg Irving's** award winning IPA. What a great couple of mid-week night's out!



## HomebrewCon & NHC

After a two year covid hiatus, HomebrewCon is returning to an in-person event this summer. Better yet, it will be only a short two hour drive away in Pittsburgh, PA. The national conference will be Thursday, June 23rd through Saturday, June 25th. There will be educational seminars, club events, vendor spaces and of course the NHC competition.



**Club Night** — SNOB has asked for a Club Night booth space. Club members will pour and share our beers and sample the brews from other clubs. We hope to have a dozen beers on tap. The plan is to divide the night up so that everyone has ample time behind our faux bar hosting visitors as well as to visit the other club booths. Mike would like to know when everyone has their registration and knows what they want to bring in kegs for the event. If you are planning on going and would like to be involved in our Club Night Booth, please fill out my form at <https://forms.gle/VJZGrbKzkeDeRdAT6>.

**If You Are Planning on Going** — Mike Ontolchik would like to know. Please contact him so we can all coordinate our Club Night presence. He and Todd Donnelly are already working on this and prepping the beer lines in the SNOB bar.

Conference registration and hotel reservations can be made at <https://www.homebrewcon.org/> Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of HomebrewCon week will be National Homebrew Competition Judging. NHC is looking for experienced stewards and judges to volunteer. Stewards and Staff volunteering for all three days will get a free Social ticket to HomebrewCon and additional swag. Judges volunteering for all three days will get a full conference ticket. Social tickets can be upgraded to full passes for \$99. You can volunteer to be a steward at <https://brewersassociation.wufoo.com/forms/ztw7bh616wnnij/>. Judges should have received an email from John Moorhead, the NHC Organizer.

Some links: [American Homebrewers Association](#): Become a member.— [HomebrewCon](#): Event Website with hotel registration open — [2019 HomebrewCon Club Night](#): YouTube video



## BJCP Class



Paul Klammer hopes to have all the details in place and schedules set by the end of May. If you are interested and have not yet signed up, you can do it here — <https://forms.gle/GuDJn89GPbtzZfxx5>

A \$30 fee for the class is required to cover expenses including sample beers and supplies. Additional fees will be required by the BJCP for the exam. The class schedule and locations will be based on sign up info. Contact Paul for additional information [pklammerspam@hotmail.com](mailto:pklammerspam@hotmail.com)

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## Ohio Mead Group (OMG)

The Ohio Mead Group (OMG) has resumed monthly meetings. We are working to prepare interested members to take the BJCP Mead Judging exam which Paul Klammer is working on scheduling this summer. Follow the OMG Facebook page or watch this newsletter for announcements.



## Competitions



Following is a select list of upcoming regional AHA/BJCP sanctioned competitions you might be interested in entering:

### **Indiana Brewers Cup**

July 9th, Indianapolis, PA

Entry deadline 6/22

### **Fermentation Frenzy**

July 24th, Hamilton, OH

Entry Deadline 7/8

### **King of the Mountain**

August 27th, Cleveland, OH

### **Cleveland Homebrew Shop Oktoberfest Party & Homebrew Competition**

September 17th, Cleveland, OH

Entry Deadline 9/17

## SNOB Medals

### **SODZ British Beer Fest**

**Jay O'Neill & Eli Urban** won a Bronze medal for their Foreign Extra Stout

### **TRASH XXX—2nd Try**

**SNOB Barrel Project** took a Gold medal in Wood-Aged beers.

**Tyler Johnson** made quite a showing in Pittsburgh earning Gold for his Weizenbock. He also got two Silver medals, one for his Belgian Blonde and the other for his Doppelbock.

**Jay O'Neill & Eli Urban** receiving the Gold medal in Strong British Ales for their Old Ale. This entry was good enough to earn 3rd Place in the contest's Best of Show round.

#### **AHA / BJCP Competitions**

[www.homebrewersassociation.org/aha-events/aha-bjcp-sanctioned-competition/](http://www.homebrewersassociation.org/aha-events/aha-bjcp-sanctioned-competition/)

#### **BJCP 2021 Style Guideines**

[www.bjcp.org/bjcp-style-guidelines/](http://www.bjcp.org/bjcp-style-guidelines/)

## 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. As Mr. Rogers liked to say "It's nice to share".

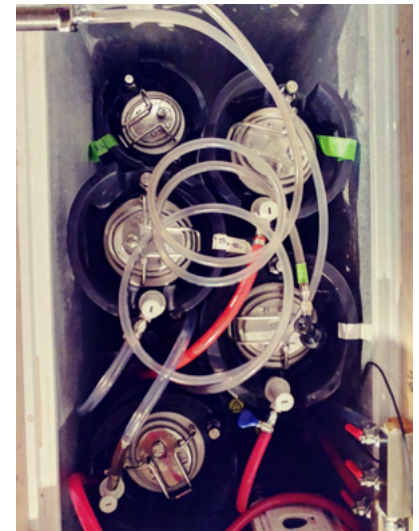


### Style Focus Meetings

This year, we will be continuing the 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

**Summer 2022 – Yeasty Beers** — Witbiers, Saisons, and Hefes, oh my! Show off your favorite yeast strain (or just one that you find interesting) in a beer style that lets those yeast-derived flavors shine! **June Meeting!**

**Fall 2022 – Malty Beers** — Brew some seasonal Oktoberfest, Marzen, pumpkin spice or others featuring those roasty, bready malt flavors. **October Meeting!**



## 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

Summer is coming. 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, he'll bring it to a meeting for you — [secretary@beersnobs.org](mailto:secretary@beersnobs.org)





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## Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers

### 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](mailto:treasurer@beersnobs.org) or using the paypal link found on our website, <https://www.beersnobs.org/>

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### Membership Benefits

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

**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>

**Bookhouse Brewing** — \$1 off drafts for AHA members EVERYDAY <https://bookhouse.beer>

**Buckeye Beer Engine** — \$1 of drafts (no discount for drinks under \$3) EVERYDAY <https://buckeyebeerengine.com>

*As many of the long-time members may recall, this used to be a fairly extensive list. Your officers are working to reach out to businesses to expand this list. If you have contacts, please feel free to ask if they would like to participate. Let me know the de-*

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## Society of Northeast Ohio Brewers—The fine print

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

### Current Officers



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## 2021 Son of Brewzilla Competition Results

Cleveland’s Premier Homebrew Competition

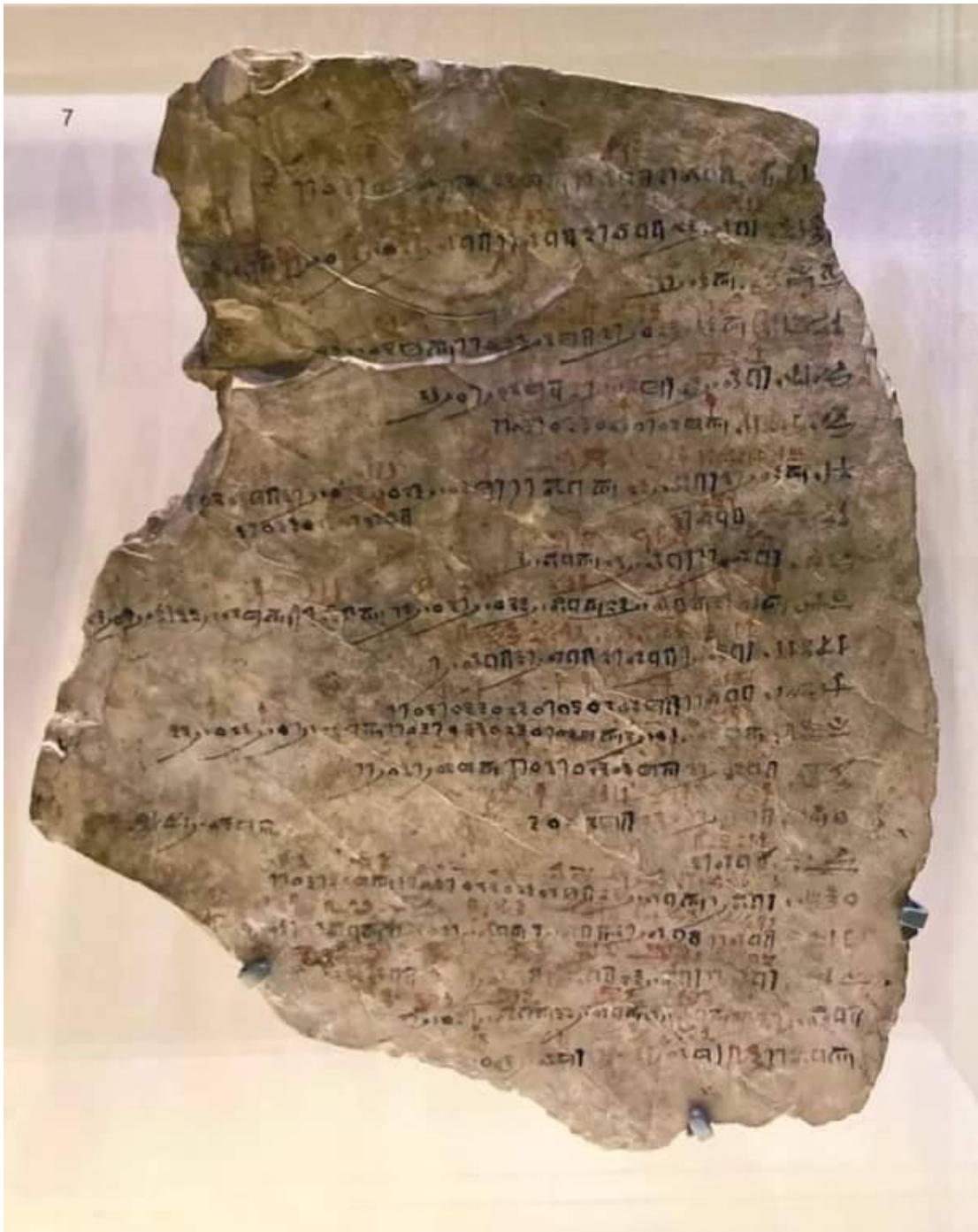
2021 Results

[Son of Brewzilla? - Brew Competition Online Entry & Management \(beersnobs.org\)](#)



## Extra, Extra

### What's your excuse?



This is a 3200-year old attendance sheet found in Deir el-Medina, Egypt. Reasons for worker absence include "embalming brother", "brewing beer" and "bitten by scorpion"