

MCM Meeting Notes - May 2015

BIG BREW - Saturday, May 2, 2015 - TIME 9AM - 4PMish

- While most of us are brewing in Taylor, Masher Pete Gleneski is at AIH Ann Arbor and will be brewing on his autobrew/electric/computer-controlled setup (which I hear transforms into a robot too!)
- FastRack Speed Challenge
 - Fastest time receives this valuable prize:
 - 1 FastRack Beer Combo (2 FastRackBeer Racks & 1 Tray)
 - 1 FastFerment 7.9 Conical Fermenter
 - 1 Pack FastLabel 12 Ounce Bottle Sleeves
 - Cost for this was picked up by AIH
- THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU WHO ARE BREWING, BROUGHT BEER, BROUGHT FOOD and SHOWED UP!!!

Shipping Kegs to NHC

LAST CALL FROM JEFF OLIVER (AIH):

Hi Everyone,

Back by popular demand is the AIH sponsored keg delivery for the Michigan Coalition of Brewers! This is available for local club members who would like to have their beer served at NHC in San Diego. Preference will of course be given to those attending the conference, but don't let that stop other members from signing up! The current plan is to serve beer at both Club Night and in the Social Club.

We will be shipping one pallet (about 24 kegs) of beer to NHC.

AIH will provide a used keg for transport, the brewer provides the beer! Shipping costs will be split, \$10 per keg and AIH will cover the rest. The plan is to avoid return shipment of the kegs.

Brewers can sign up by contacting me or by filling out the following google doc.

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0AhduHoUo3JzLdG94RXZ6WVVrYnByTTd6ZG5EdVNKN1E#qid=7

Please contact me with any questions or problems signing up. We'll want to get this done sooner rather than later to make sure we can get the serving space at the conference. If any clubs are already planning on serving beer at NHC please let me know, perhaps we can coordinate our efforts.

Here are a couple links to NHC for informational purposes

http://www.ahaconference.org/events/homebrew-expo-social-club/

http://www.ahaconference.org/events/club-night/

Thank you everyone and I hope to see you in San Diego!!!

Michigan Homebrew Festival

Thursday, August 13 - Sunday, August 16 - Groveland Oaks Campground http://mhfsite.com/ (Details on events)

Ray to be ready for pre-registration on May 9th at 8AM

UPDATE for MAY - From the MHF FB page:

Just a reminder, we are holding a town hall type meeting on Thursday, May 7 at Sherwood Brewing Co. at appx 7:30 p.m.

We would like to discuss plans for this year, suggestions on improving our event, and just to have a beer or two with you.

Thanks to Ray and Lisa Sherwood and thanks in advance for coming out, Cheers!

Signup for Beer Studies 2014-2015 (Fred Bonjour ?)

Beer Class for 2015-2016

Every substyle of beer I can get (BJCP Classic Styles) will be covered (except Specialty, Fruit, SHV)

Location: TBD (depends on students)

15 classes +/- a class meeting roughly every other week

(Not holiday weeks) ~ early Oct thru May

Time: 6-9pm First Class: TBD

Cost is the cost of Beer and supplies. 1st class \$25 will vary from an occasional \$5 to \$20.

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/t35nCr5RMPR5x5xp0DzHtkw

MCM Logo

Both the old and new logos are attached to these notes. The new logo is cleaner and more crisp. We can do more with the new logo. Thank you Brian Snyder for working on this.

Apparel

Brian Snyder has been pricing out shirts and hoodies. He's trying to get prices down as much as possible, but get better quality. As soon as we come up with the 'locked in' deals, it will be announced. (Any other ideas for apparel besides shirts, hoodies and work shirts? Now's the time to suggest!)

Glassware

The new logo provides new opportunities. Brian Snyder will contact Chris Styles. It was suggested to look into tulip glasses engraved with the the words Motor City Mashers.

Glass/Sensory Evaluation Seminar

The deadline for getting seats/tickets for this event is Sunday, May 3rd. You can purchase by going here: http://www.homebrewing.org/Spiegelau-Tasting-Class p 5521.html

By-Laws

It was decided at the last meeting that a separate meeting or meetings need to be held to work on this. Would someone like to step up to chair this?

Treasurer's Report

A treasurer's report will be updated to this Google Doc when it is obtained.

MCM June Meeting

Right now, it is scheduled for Friday, June 5th at 7PM. Location to be determined.

Mashers attending other homebrew club meetings

Attending other meetings are a great way to learn what the other clubs are doing, and possibly finding ways we can have events with them. All I ask is that if you are attending, let everyone know in case some of us can join you, and be ready to give a short report about it at the next MCM meeting. Knowledge is power! And knowing is half the battle...

BJCP Beer Styles for June

Our June style tasting and discussion will be <u>Style 14 - India Pale Ale (IPA)</u> - There are 3 substyles.

MCM Summer Picnic/BBQ/Camping? Fun Event

Just a reminder that we are still having this event. Thanks again to Mashers Rob and Lori Shultz for offering their place to host this event. An online survey will be sent out with potential dates. Majority wins!

24 Hour Brew Event

There is still some interest in this event, but no additional details have been made at this time.