

## Meeting Minutes – January 2016

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### Old Business:

New Officers were elected last month for the 2016 year:

President: Mark Simpson

Vice President: Luke Hoekstra

Secretary: Chase Colton

Treasurer: Mike Young

Webmaster: Mike Young

Reclaimed Rails Brewing Company is now open in Bondarant. The 15 BBL brewhouse was last housed at Raccoon River Brewing Company in downtown Des Moines. Hours are Tue-Fri 4p-10p, Sat 11a-10p, Sun 12p-6p. More information is available at [reclaimedrailsbrewing.com](http://reclaimedrailsbrewing.com) and on their facebook page.

April's Style Competition will be a Club Recipe. The club will provide grains/extract to those who are interested in competing. The current plan is to provide for 8 all grain and 5 extract brewers. All brewers will use the same grain bill. Extract brewers will have a comparable extract. All brewers will use the same specialty grains. Grains may be toasted, roasted, or smoked. Hops and yeast will be left up to the individual brewer to decide. Mike volunteered to pick up the grains and extract. He will either bring them to February's meeting or interested club brewers can stop by his house for pick-up.

The ABL Raffle will be held on February 23<sup>rd</sup> at Torrent Brewing Company. The raffle will start around 7pm. We plan to begin set up at 6pm, and sell tickets as people arrive. Torrent will be serving from their taps, but homebrew may be shared as well. Mike created a facebook event and will notify the other brew clubs. Mike is working with

others to pick up donations around Des Moines. We may order food or encourage attendees to bring a dish to share with the group.

Iowa Tap Room from the owners of El Bait Shop, Hessen Haus, and the Royal Mile is scheduled to open in late February or early March. The location is 215 E Third St in the East Village, Des Moines. It will feature only Iowa beers and have 120 on tap.

BrrFest is set for January 30<sup>th</sup> at the Coralville Marriott Hotel and Conference Center. Attendees can sample and purchase craft beers from breweries across the Midwest. Tickets are no longer available for early admission, but are for general admission at \$30, 1:00–4:00pm.

### **New Business:**

Jan Hovick is selling his brewing equipment which includes kegs, taps, a chiller (Therminator), and many other items. He has a 10 gallon system. Mike asked him to post the items on our facebook page.

Scott Nelson initiated a discussion about asking the winner of the monthly style competition to share the brew recipe/technique used. There was a discussion about creating a possible recipe database for the winning recipes. Mike Young has a website where he posts his own recipes, which are exported from Beersmith. The ABL website may have a recipes link already. Winners of the style competition could send Mike the recipe for him to post on the ABL site.

C and S Brew Supply in Ankeny has moved. An open house is scheduled for January 15<sup>th</sup> from 4p-7p at 106 SW Linden St, Ankeny, IA 50023. More information is available at [candsbrewsupply.com](http://candsbrewsupply.com).

Dues were set as: annual membership of \$15/person, family, group. Several members presented dues to the Treasurer.

Treasury report was the same as last month: \$534.95 bank, \$80.00 cash = \$614.95 total.

Noted that additional score sheets were needed for the Monthly Style Competition.

Monthly Style Competition: Open To All Styles

We are using the 2015 BJCP Style Guide now.

Submissions:

1. New World Cider (C1A)
2. Wild Cider (C2F)
3. Blonde Ale (18A) 3<sup>rd</sup> place Scott Nelson
4. Weissbier (10A)
5. British Brown Ale (13B) 1<sup>st</sup> place Chase Colton
6. English Porter (13C)
7. American IPA (21A) 2<sup>nd</sup> place Matthew Goodman
8. American IPA (21A)

Submissions also from: Ron Nelson, John Murphy, Leo (Webster City), Luke, Chris