## Meeting Minutes - April 2016

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## **Old Business:**

Boone Valley Brewery will celebrate its 4th anniversary on Mar 26. Event details:

https://www.facebook.com/events/474918646026955/

Boone Valley Brewing has grown a lot since we opened the doors to our taproom in March 2012. Celebrate 4 years of local craft beer with us!

Saturday March 26, 1-10pm

Food Truck: Melts Without Borders 4-9pm Anniversary Belgian Quad taps at 1pm!

Our production brewery will be open for visiting too!

## **New Business:**

Two time-important considerations are the BYO subscriptions and the May 7th Big Brew day, so please see details below concerning them. The cost is \$16.50/yr. Submissions are due May 27<sup>th</sup>. Contact Mike at: MikeYoungHB@gmail.com if you're interested. We may need more signups for the discount, so please respond soon!

Otherwise the big event was the Club Brew. The Ames Brewers League provided grain/malt extract to members in order to compete. It was interesting to sample all the different creations!

AHA National Homebrew Competition in Saint Paul, MN will be April 15<sup>th</sup>. Mark and Colette Simpson will be judging. For more information see:

http://www.homebrewersassociation.org/competitions/national-homebrew-competition/competition-information/

Big Brew for National Homebrew Day is May 7<sup>th</sup>. We had a great turnout last year, and many thanks to Torrent for hosting.

Mike sent out the following event notice on Facebook:

Join the Ames Brewers League for national Big Brew day, starting at 9am at Torrent Brewing Company! Feel free to bring your brew equipment and setup in the parking lot, or just hang out and brew with fellow homebrewers. This is also a great opportunity for us to teach the community about homebrewing and how awesome of a hobby it is. We hope to see a lot of you there!

Recipes for the event are posted at:

http://www.homebrewersassociation.org/aha-events/national-homebrew-day/

but feel free to brew what you'd like. Torrent will be serving at 11am.

May 7<sup>th</sup> is also the first day for the Ames Farmers Market, and there will be a food truck competition:

The Food Truck Showdown will have a great variety of Ames and Central Iowa food trucks competing for the best overall food truck voted by the Ames community. It takes place at the Ames Main Street Farmers' Market season opener, May 7, with live music and activities for the whole family!

Summerfest (5<sup>th</sup> annual) in Campustown is June 6<sup>th</sup>. We did not participate last year, but did the previous two years. Members brewed and shared information with the public. We should discuss whether there is an interest in participation this year. More information is available at:

http://www.amescampustown.com/event/summerfest/

lowa State Fair Beer submissions are due July 1<sup>st</sup>. We can discuss whether club members are interested in submitting, and whether someone would volunteer to take all submissions for drop-off (if there is enough interest.) Last year's competition results can be found here:

http://www.iowastatefair.org/competition/results/winners-cheer-for-best-beer-brews-at-iowa-state-fair/

The American Homebrewers Association will host their National Homebrewers Conference (38th annual) in Baltimore on June 9-11<sup>th</sup>. Registration opens March 8<sup>th</sup>. More information is available at:

http://www.homebrewcon.org/

Monthly Style Competition: Club Brew

Ames Brewers League provided the grain/malt extract to members.

## Submissions:

Blonde Ale (18A)		
Strong Bitter (13C)		
Pre-Prohibition Porter (27G)	3rd place	Scott Nelson
American Pale Ale (18B)		
American Pale Ale (18B)	1st place	Luke Hoekstra
American IPA (21A)		
American IPA (21A)	2nd place	Chase Colton
Saison (25B)		
Belgian Dubbel (26B)		
Mixed-Style (34B) / ESB Base lightly soured		