Meeting Minutes – October 2016

10/11/16

Meeting called to order by Mark Simpson at 7:15pm

Three new people at meeting, Steve Green, Neil, and Nathan. The rest in attendance were John Murphy, Jan, Ron, Lucas Gray, Scott, Colette, and Eric Armstrong.

Minutes from previous meeting were read by Colette and approved by the group.

Old Business:

- Scott is in contact with ISU horticulture, and the hop farm director will come speak to the club sometime yet this year and hopefully next month.
- Mead day was a success.
- Leo went to a competition in Emmetsburg. There were 20 beers and three judges.
- Octoberfest was celebrated last week at Torrent and Boone Valley Breweries.
- October 22nd is the downtown Ames Octoberfest celebration and three of our club members will be judging beer for the celebration
- Lucas Gray, Jeff Postal, and Eric Armstrong.

New Business:

Next month's club meeting will be the 3rd Tuesday of November at 7:30pm

All future club meetings will be the 2nd Tuesday of month at 7:30pm. Please note the permanent time change. This change is being made so the Torrent owner does not have to rush over and open the facility from an earlier ongoing commitment. We as a club want to be as accommodating as possible to the Torrent owner since he is gracious enough to let us meet in his facility.

Lucas told the group there will be a brewing contest in Manchester, IA on November 12th. The brewery hosting the event will let the winner of the contest brew a big batch of their recipe on the brewery's system.

Scott told the group next month the club needs to set the styles for next year and nominate next year's officers.

The club's vice president was not present at the meeting so Mark found our green tote of supplies for our monthly beer contest.

Mark told the group there is a beer contest in Fargo, ND, called "Hoppy Halloween" the end of this month.

Mark told the group that 515 won a gold medal at the great American beer festival this year.

The NHA National Home Brewers Association convention will be in Minneapolis, MN, this coming June 15-17 and does the club want to do a "Club Night" booth and host a hospitality room? The club has a six tap Jocky box available. Also, if anyone is interested in becoming a beer judge, they will be able to take the "tasting" test at the NHA convention, but they will have already need to have passed the online written test. If there are people interested in testing the club will need to start setting up classes after this coming January 1st so people can study and prepare.

Monthly comp: Lagers

Mark Simpson was the only member who brought a lager, so after we all drank his beer we unanimously agreed he was this month's hands down winner.

Meeting adjourned when all the beer was gone.