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April 2017

Calendar

May 1

Ethereal Competition
Turn-in

May 5

West Sixth Brew-off
Turn-in

May 6

Big Brew Day at Dirk
Franzen's House

May 8

BOCK Meeting at Lexington
Beerworks

May 12 - May 21

Lexington Craft Beer Week

May 13

Rock House and Nate's
Coffee Brew Off

May 17

West Sixth Brew-off
Announcement at Green
Room

June 10

Bluegrass Cup at Rock
House Brewing

June 12

BOCK Meeting at Pivot
Brewing



BOCK Dominates Hammerdown Competition!

April's BOCK meeting saw current and future members of BOCK congregating in the upstairs private room of Pazzo's. Numerous malty and hoppy concoctions were shared, sipped and savored. Thank you to Pazzo's for opening up their posh private room to us. Be sure to stop by and enjoy their new menu and always enjoyable tap list.





Announcements

Hammerdown Brewing

BOCK has once again made its presence felt at the Northern Kentucky Homebrewer's annual Hammerdown Brewcup homebrew competition. Judging for the annual competition was held at Braxton Brewing on April 22. There were awards in 28 categories, with BOCK taking home 18 of them! BOCK won 5 bronze (17.9%), 5 silver (17.9%), and 8 golds (28.5%)!

A huge extra congratulations goes out to our Secondary Fermentor, Ryan Smalley, who continues to make BOCK proud, taking both 2nd and 3rd place in Best of Show! Below are all the BOCK winners!

Ryan Smalley - *Best of Show*, 2nd Place (American IPA)
Ryan Smalley - *Best of Show*, 3rd Place (Gin and Tonic Pilsner)
Ryan Smalley - 1st, American IPA
Ryan Smalley - 1st, Double IPA
Ryan Smalley - 1st, Fruit Beer (Gin and Tonic Pilsner)
Ryan Smalley - 3rd, Fruit Beer (Strawberry Lane)
Jeff Kirkner - 1st, Bock, Dopplebock
Jeff Kirkner - 3rd, Speciality IPA (Black IPA)
Jeff Kirkner - 2nd, American Amber and Brown Ale (California Common)
Jeff Kirkner - 2nd, Strong Stout (Imperial Stout)
Mike Mills - 3rd, English Pale Ale (Strong Bitter)
Tim Meehan - 2nd, American Light Ale (American Wheat Beer)
William Weber - 1st, English Brown Ale (Mild)
Dirk Franzen - 3rd, Double IPA
Keith Rodenhauser - 1st, Trappist (Belgian Strong Dark Ale)
Ryan Harding and Aaron German - 2nd, Fruit Beer (Iron Mash)
Joel Wheeler and BOCK! - 1st, American Wild - (Sour Bourbon Barrel Robust Porter with Cherries)
Joel Wheeler - 3rd, Cider (English Cider)
Anthony Lamanna 1st, Mead (Earl Grey Mead)
Ben Hoh 2nd, Mead (Blackberry Mead)

Congratulations and cheers to all! All scores have been posted on the [Hammerdown website](#), where you can login and download them. Ben will bring the winner's medals to the next meeting on May 8th, but if you want them sooner, please let him know and he'll try to get them to you.

Congrats to all the winners! Keep brewing, and enter the Bluegrass Cup!



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BJCP Hopefuls

For the last year a group of BJCP Judge hopefuls have gathered once a month to prepare for the eventual exam that may deem them an official BJCP judge. The exam has come and gone and all that is left is agonizing anticipation as we test takers await the test results that will dictate our judging fates. Apparently it can take several months to grade the exams. While we wait, we can at least take the time to say thank you to all the people that made it all possible. Thank you to Ben Hoh for being our instructor and mentor. Thank you to Tony Aiken and Gary Spedding for hosting us at BDAS and not getting too upset when we spilled beer. Thanks to Kevin Patterson for dropping in and expanding our vocabulary. And thanks to Emily Camp for organizing the test and making it an enjoyable experience! If you are interested in becoming BJCP ranked beer judge, let Ben Hoh know.

Barrell Fill

BOCK's annual barrell fill has come to an end. The beer was moved into the barrels on April 23rd at Chad Shive's house. Chad has served as BOCK's cellar master for barrel the last several years. If you missed out on this year's barrel project, keep an ear open next year.

Big Brew Day

In 1988, after lobbying by The American Homebrewers Association (AHA), Congress designated May 7 as National Homebrew Day. The AHA created Big Brew Day as an annual event to celebrate National Homebrew Day around the world. [AHA Big Brew Day](#) is held each year on the first Saturday in May. This year our local Big Brew event is being held at Dirk Franzen's house at 9am on May 6th. A nationwide toast will be made at 1pm. Come out and enjoy the festivities, brew a beer and help get our club recognized in Zymurgy, the AHA's magazine. There will also be a New Orleans-style low country boil (crawfish, corn, potatoes) for lunch. If you would like to participate, please let Dirk know a week in advance so preparations can be made and food ordered. Dirk's contact info and address are below.

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Lexington Craft Beer Week

Lexington Craft Beer Week is Lexington's week long celebration of craft beer. During the week of May 12th - 20th, along with many cities across the country, Lexington breweries, restaurants and bars will pull out all the stops and specialty tappings to make craft beer drinkers salivate. Take a close look at the calendar on lexbeerscene.com



and plan your week carefully. Only those with iron livers and no jobs can hit every event. Some highlights to note are: the Blue Stallion test batch tap takeover on Tuesday May 16th at noon, where experimental beers, many co-brewed by BOCKers and David Workman of Blue Stallion, will be tapped; W6 announcing the winner of their annual W6 ProAm brew off on Wednesday May 17th in their downtown Greenroom location and the Rock House/Nate's Coffee Brew-off, held on May 13th, at Rock House (details coming soon!). There are too many other great events to mention here. So check the schedule and start training for a week of beer drinking.

Bluegrass Cup

BOCK's annual homebrew competition is being held June 10th at Rock House Brewing. There is a limit of 200 paid entries, with an entry fee of \$6 per entry. We are fast approaching the entry limit, so get your entries in (and paid) ASAP! It's also open call for volunteers, judges and stewarding. To enter or volunteer visit bluegrass-cup.bockbrew.com. Drop off locations will be at Monnik Brewing in Louisville and Rock House Brewing in Lexington. Please only drop off entries during business hours.

Beer Season in Full Swing!

Keep up to date on events with the full calendar below.

| Date | Event | Location |
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| 05/01/17 | Ethereal submission deadline (3 bottles) | Lexington, KY |
| 05/05/17 | West Sixth submission deadline (3 bottles) | Lexington, KY |
| 05/06/17 | Big Brew Day (Dirk Franzen's house) | 5250 Raven Creek Court, Lexington |
| 05/08/17 | BOCK Meeting @ 7PM | Lexington Beerworks, Lexington, KY |
| 05/13/17 | First Saturday of Craft Beer Week | Lexington, KY |
| 05/13/17 | Rock House/Nate's Coffee Brew Off | Rock House Brewing, Lexington, KY |
| 05/17/17 | West Sixth Competition Announcement | Greenroom, Lexington, KY |
| 06/10/17 | Bluegrass Cup | Rock House Brewing, Lexington, KY |
| 06/12/17 | BOCK Meeting | Pivot Brewing |

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Froth Feedback and Ideas

Have anything you would like to see in Froth, like Brewing tips, cautionary tales or a great starter recipe? I would love to include them.

Please email your ideas and feedback to scribe@bockbrew.com.