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May 2017

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Takeover

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Greenroom

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Rock House Brewing

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BOCK Meeting at Pivot
Brewing



It's Lexington Craft Beer Week!

The usual festivities were once again had by all at BOCK's monthly meeting. Lexington Beerworks was our host and were gracious as always. Monday nights at Beerworks is a great time to come hang out, grab a beer and enjoy a cheese pizza for \$1. This is quite possibly one of the best dinner plans in Lexington for the budget conscious craft beer drinker. And to make it even better, you can pick up ingredients for your next batch, or that last minute brew day gadget, while you're there. Be sure to flash your BOCK membership card when buying from the Beerworks brew shop to get your 10% membership discount! Help us say thanks to Beerworks for being a friend to BOCK by showing them some love.



Big Brew Day 2017



Announcements

AHA Big Brew Day

Brewer's around the country celebrated the AHA Big Brew Day on Saturday of May 6th. The national event is held every year on the first Saturday in May to celebrate National Homebrew Day. This year our local Big Brew event was hosted by Dirk Franzen. A nationwide toast was made to celebrate. Beer was brewed, a Lowcountry Crawfish Boil was made and eaten, and fun was had by all. Thank you to Dirk for hosting, and to Dr. Tony Lamanna for producing the Lowcountry boil. See you again next year!

Barrel Fill

The annual BOCK barrel fill continued on April 23 as one barrel was filled with a Russian Imperial Stout, and the other with a Belgian Quad. When these barrels are emptied sometime in mid-June they will be refilled with an [Oud Bruin](#) and a [Strong Golden](#), infected for souring and laid down for a good long while. Only thing left to do is to look forward to tasting the RIS or Belgian Quad at a BOCK meeting later this summer. Happy brewing to those brewing for the sour fill.

Blue Stallion Challenge

In its second year, the Blue Stallion Challenge is a lager brewing competition open only to BOCK members. The winner was announced and as usual, the decision was a close one. The winner will have the opportunity to brew a scaled up batch with the brewers at Blue Stallion. The winners were: 4th Place, Clay Bunn and Drew Speer, Alt-bier; 3rd Place, Dirk Franzen, Hoppy Imperial Lager; 2nd Place, Joe Young, Srikant Dharwad and Ed Buhler, Pepper Lager; 1st Place, Gin and Tonic Pilsner, Ryan Smalley. Congratulations to the top four and to all brewers who submitted great beers. Thanks to Blue Stallion for continuing to be great supporters of BOCK!

Ethereal Competition

Ethereal recently judged submissions to their annual competition, which usually comes with a very unique yeast choice. This year was no different with *Schizosaccaromyces Japonicus*, an ale yeast that was reputed to produce lactic acid. But alas, nobody's beer turned out sour, but instead turned out just really well attenuated. Nonetheless, good beer was made and there a winner was announced. Congratulations to Mike Green for brewing the winning beer, Six Sheets to the Wind. Thank you to Ethereal for again providing us with a very unique brewing opportunity.



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Are you a Winner?

Have you won any brewing competitions since you've been a BOCK member? Don't be shy. Tell us. Your award-winning status is not only great for your ego, it's also great for the club. Tell us about your winnings and we'll brag about you to the world on www.bockbrew.com. Send an email to Ben Hoh to boast about your awards.

Lexington Craft Beer Week

Lexington Craft Beer Week is upon us. This is the week of the year where we all are like kids at Disneyland. Local breweries, taprooms and eateries bring out the tap takeovers, rarities and specialty brews that bring us all out of the woodwork. With a week full of must-attend events, the challenge is pacing yourself and not missing out.

To help you plan your week, here are some events you do not want to miss:

The Beer Trappe - Founders Flights

Monday 5/15 @ 5pm

The Beer Trappe will have a Founders Tap Takeover that will include KBS, Sumatra Brown, Baltic Porter and Rubaeus.

Blue Stallion Brewing - Test Batch Tap Takeover

Tuesday 5/16 @ noon

A dozen test-batch beers will be tapped at Blue Stallion, with many co-brewed by BOCK brewers. This is a highlight of the week so don't miss out.

Beer Trivia at Ethereal

Tuesday 5/16 @ 7pm

After sampling all the test-batch beers at Blue Stallion, grab a Lyft and head over to Ethereal for beer-themed Trivia.

Ethereal Brewing - Cocoa Baba Yaga Draught Release

Wednesday 5/17 @ 5pm

Ethereal will be tapping a special Cocoa Baba Yaga version of their heralded Russian Imperial Stout. A definite don't-miss event.

West Sixth Greenroom - Brewoff Winner Announcement

Wednesday 5/17 @ 7pm

At their downtown Greenroom Location, West Sixth will be announcing the winner of their annual West Sixth ProAm brewing competition. Come cheer one what we hope will be another BOCK victory.

Country Boy - Wing Flight Night with the Gastro Gnomes

Thursday 5/18 @ 5pm

Country Boy and Gastro Gnomes are teaming up for a chicken wing and beer pairing. Try a flight of 4 different wings paired with 4 of our beers, including one special-edition cask beer.



Mirror Twin Brewing - Beer Release: Ethereal Collaboration

Thursday 5/18 @ 5pm

Mirror Twin will be tapping a malt liquor collaboration with Ethereal.

The Beer Trappe - Prairie / Blackberry Farms Event

Friday 5/19 @ 5pm

Ready to get the funk out? The Beer Trappe is having a Prairie and Blackberry Farms takeover. Tappings will include Prairie Bomb, Prairie Apricot Funk, Blackberry Farms Fenceline and Blackberry Farms Boundary Tree.

Heritage Hall - Alltech Craft Brew and Food Fest

Saturday 5/20 @ noon-8pm

Top off the week with a beer and food extravaganza at the Alltech Craft Brew and Food Fest, held in Heritage Hall, next to Rupp Arena.

[Get your tickets now.](#)

Rock House Brewing - Cupcake Beer Pairing

Sunday 5/21 @ 2pm-4pm

Have any juice left? Hit up Rockhouse for your sweet tooth satisfaction with a beer and cupcake pairing. Try a flight of five mini-cupcakes paired with the beer that they were made with. For advanced tickets, call 859-229-4623.

Checkout the full calendar at lexbeerscene.com/lcbw.

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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.