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January 2017

Calendar

Jan 30 - Feb 5

National Homebrew
Competition Application
More info: goo.gl/qkZ7r8

Jan 3 - Feb 10

All American Homebrew
Competition
More info: goo.gl/qkZ7r8

Jan 21

Ryan Smalley/Apocalypse
Tapping at Lexington
Beerworks

Jan 30

Suds and Science with
Sam Franklin at
West Sixth Brewery
More info: goo.gl/rZlbab

February 13

BOCK Meeting at Ethereal

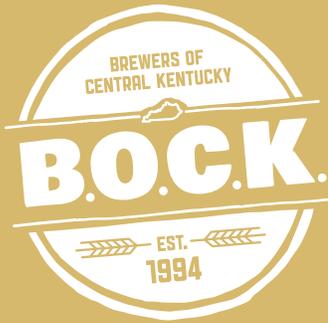


2016 Iron Mash Winners Announced

2017 kicked off with a blast at [Blue Stallion Brewery](#). Current and future BOCKers met to sample tasty beers over conversations of brewing tips and tricks. Newly appointed Primary Fermentor Ben Hoh gave the first announcements of the year. A big thank you also goes to Harck Pickett for his exemplary service as Primary Fermentor. Another big thank you to Blue Stallion for hosting us and for being a great friend and supporter of BOCK. Be sure to stop in to have a Dunkel and a sandwich from Dad's Favorites, now a permanent food addition to the Brewery!

The 2016 Iron Mash winners were also announced. Iron Mash is an annual brewing competition for BOCK members that present unique brewing challenges. Ingredients are revealed on brew day, and always with surprises in the box.





Events to Plan For

February

Ethereal Brett Competition

March

West Sixth Brewing
Competition

April

Hammerdown Brewing
Competition

June

Bluegrass Cup

And the winners are.....

1. Ryan Harding and Aaron German - Sweet stout w/ancho chili, vanilla and cinnamon
2. Joe Rice - Sweet stout w/ancho chili, vanilla and cinnamon
3. Marc Boyd and Joe Antoine - ESB

Congrats to the winners, and best of luck next year!

Announcements

Club Activities

BOCK is working to get reestablished as an official 501c3 non-profit organization. Doing so affords the club some tax benefits, as well as gives us an official avenue through which to set up our BOCK Brewing Scholarship. In October 2016 the club voted to initiate a University of Kentucky scholarship to benefit an undergraduate pursuing a Distillation, Wine and Brewing Studies Certification.

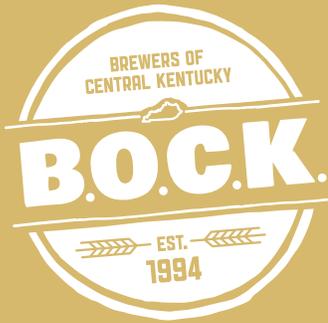
Technology Committee

The goal of any homebrew club should be to spread the joyous and fulfilling hobby of homebrewing to those interested through social events and the sharing of knowledge. The way to do this in the 21st century is online! Have any digital skills and want to help BOCK rock the interwebs? Send Ben Hoh an email at primary@bockbrew.com to express interest. The committee will meet on a regular schedule to discuss ways to improve our online communication and to grow our ranks.

Competition Season

It's a new year. And with spring only a few months away it's time to start thinking about brewing competitions. Check the calendar in this, and upcoming Froths, to stay up to date on submission dates.

One competition exclusive to us BOCKers is the Blue Stallion Challenge, a lager-only competition going into its second year. If you're interested in participating and didn't pick up yeast at the last meeting, stop by Blue Stallion during business hours to pick some up. And as founder Jim Clemons stated, don't be afraid to use special ingredients. Judging starts some time in March. In addition to bragging rights, the winner also gets to have a brew day at Blue Stallion to brew their creation and to see it on tap in the taproom. Last year's winner, Jim Miller's Baltic Porter, set the bar pretty high, so get to brewing.



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BOCK Barrel Fill

Once again BOCK will be having its annual barrel fill. BOCK will acquire freshly used bourbon barrels, thanks to Kevin Nowacyk, and will be filled with beer brewed by you, if you choose to participate. It will then be cellared in former Primary Chad Shive's personal "cellar" for up to a year. So far, 75 gallons of space have been requested, leaving about 7 brewer spots open. Fill out the form to participate here: <https://goo.gl/PbqYVG>.

Ryan Smalley/Apocalypse Tapping

Join us at Lexington Beerworks on January 21st from 4-9 PM for a special tapping of BOCK's own Secondary Fermentor Ryan Smalley's Belgian Quad collaboration with Apocalypse Brewing. Ryan won this honor by winning Best of Show at the 2016 Kentucky State Fair Homebrew Competition. Congrats to Ryan!

Craft Beer Week Tap Takeover

In what is becoming a tradition, Blue Stallion is opening their brewhouse to homebrewers to brew beers with brewer David Workman for Lexington Craft Beer Week in May. If you are interested in brewing with David, send him an email at juxbecause@gmail.com to get on the schedule.

Maiden City Brewing Co.

BOCK's own Alex Caldwell has opened a new brewery in Cynthiana, KY. It is now open for business and has taps full of local and national craft beer. Maiden City will start tapping beers of their own in March, so head on up and pay Alex a visit.

Thank you to Blue Stallion!

During January's meeting Jim from [Blue Stallion](#) raffled off a 15 gallon fermentor and 5 propane tanks. Who doesn't love free brewing equipment?! Thanks Jim! And even more thanks for hosting BOCK this month, and for being a BOCK supporter and friend.

Froth Feedback and Ideas

Have anything you would like to see in Froth? I would love to include them. Please email your ideas and feedback to scribe@bockbrew.com. And finally, a thanks to outgoing Scribe Joel Wheeler for raising the bar. I look forward to continuing the movement onward and upward.