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Local Homebrew Competition Dates

February 21st, Bluff City Brewers & Connoisseurs Extravaganza, Memphis, TN

Deadline: 02/05/2015, \$5 per entry

Contact: Evan Comeaux, evan.comeaux@gmail.com

February 21st, British Beerfest, Columbus, OH

Deadline: 02/14/2015, \$7 per entry (\$5 per entry after the 1st)

Contact: Will Shiel, shielwj@gmail.com

March 20th – AHA National Homebrew Competition 1st Round – Nashville, TN

Deadline 3/11/2015, \$14 per entry (AHA members only)

Contact: Art Whitaker, munk24@aol.com

April 10th – AHA National Homebrew Competition 1st Round – Zanesville, OH

Deadline 3/11/2015, \$14 per entry (AHA members only)

Contact: Frank Barickman, fbarickm@gmail.com

May 2nd, 2015 - LMHBA "King of the Mountain" Competition – Willoughby, OH

Registration to open February 14th, 2015

Contact: Gary Oyler, Competition.lmhba@gmail.com

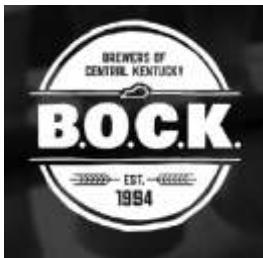
June 6th, 2015 (Tentative), Bluegrass Cup, Lexington, KY

Deadline TBD, \$6 per entry with a 450 entry limit

Contact: Emily Camp, ecamp987@gmail.com

Full Calendar of BJCP/AHA Sanctioned Competitions

<http://www.homebrewersassociation.org/pages/competitions/aha-bjcp-sanctioned-competition/calendar>



Calendar of Events

February 2015

BJCP Tasting Exam

Saturday, February 21st

Lexington, KY

Contact Emily Camp @ ecamp987@gmail.com

March 2015

March BOCK meeting

Monday, March 9th, 7:00 PM

Lexington Beerworks

West Sixth Brew-Off Homebrew Competition

Saturday, March 21, 2015 - 9:00 AM

http://www.lexbeerscene.com/images/events/WestSixth_Brewoff.pdf

April 2015

4th Annual Thirsty Orange Brew Extravaganza

Saturday, April 11, 2015 - 1:00 - 7:00

Millennium Centre, 2001 Millennium Pl, Johnson City, TN

[Contact me @ wratt2k@yahoo.com for details]

May 2015

Brewhibition

Saturday, May 02, 2015 - 1:00 - 7:00

Old City Courtyard, 200 E Jackson Ave, Knoxville, TN

June 2015

(Tentative) Bluegrass Cup

Saturday, June 6th

For more event information, go to <http://www.lexbeerscene.com>

Meeting Minutes –February 9th, 2015



The membership of BOCK stormed the West Sixth Brewing Company brewing area once again this past Monday. Of recent note, West Sixth is sponsoring a homebrew competition in their brewery. See details below. Kudos to West Sixth for their continued support of BOCK and the Central Kentucky homebrewing community!

The next BOCK meeting will be Monday, March 9th at Lexington Beerworks.

Primary Fermenter Harck Pickett gave the announcements:

- 1) The West Sixth Homebrewing competition was announced. It will be held Saturday, March 21. Details can be found at http://www.lexbeerscene.com/images/events/WestSixth_Brewoff.pdf . Please come up with your recipes and send your ingredient lists to [Chris Vandergrift](#) ASAP.
- 2) As a reminder, BOCK membership voted unanimously to purchase club insurance through the new AHA homebrew club insurance plan at the next window in March, at a rate of about \$250 per year. More details can be found here: <http://www.westinsurance.com/homebrewers/>
- 3) The 2015 Bluegrass Cup is coming up. The tentative date is June 6th, with a cap of 450 entries, \$6 per entry. Discussion is ongoing to secure a site. Reserve the date and please help by judging or stewarding. We will also be having tasting sessions to get prepared, as we did last year. Details to follow!
- 4) It's time to fill a couple of barrels! Each year, BOCK's membership comes together to fill used bourbon barrels with individually-brewed batches of a pre-selected recipe. This year we would like to fill the barrel in March, so we need to get brewing. The recipe for this year's style (Russian Imperial Stout) is listed at <http://bockbrew.com/node/257> . There will also be a couple of brewdays to prepare: at [Joel Wheeler's](#) on February 21st at 8AM (tentative, pending improved weather), and at [Jeremy Cantrell's](#) on February 28th at 9 AM. Please RSVP if you plan to attend one of these brew days. Also, post on the forum whether you would prefer the barrel to be Blanton's or Eagle Rare.
- 5) Start coming up with your malt wish lists! Another BOCK bulk malt purchase is right around the corner (and just in time, looking at the massive malt bill for the Russian Imperial Stout!).
- 6) There is another Thirsty Orange Brew Extravaganza in Johnson City, TN coming up on April 11th. [Contact me](#) if you're interested (or just curious).
- 7) BOCK membership voted to donate \$200 to the Kentucky State Fair Homebrew Competition for awards.
- 8) 2015 BOCK memberships are available for \$25 per member (\$35 for couples) and can be paid on the website through the [Paypal link](#). If you received your membership card in late 2014, please bring your card to the next meeting to have it swapped for one with the new logo. BOCK Membership includes a 10% discount on homebrew supplies at Beerworks and Liquor Barn, a tasting glass (now available), and the opportunity to participate in the many BOCK events and functions, such as the Bluegrass Cup and Iron Mash competitions, various picnics, Thanksgiving dinners, and the monthly meetings. And once a month you get an email newsletter from me! Contact [Kevin](#) for details. Contact Kevin also if you are not receiving BOCK emails.

...and keep brewing!

John