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Local Homebrew Competition Dates

July 25, 2015 – Fugetaboutit, Chattanooga, TN

Deadline: 07/8/2015, \$8 per entry

Contact: Chris Amt, gaarnts@catt.com

July 25, 2015 – For What It's Worth, Bloomington, IN

Deadline: 07/11/2015, \$7 per entry

Contact: Tim Klieber, tp.klieber@gmail.com

August 1, 2015 – 2015 Michigan Beer Cup, Auburn Hills, MI

Deadline: 07/17/2015, \$8 per entry

Contact: Andrew Moore, andy@capncorkhomebrew.com

August 1, 2015 – Mash Out – Ales of Summer, Morrow, OH

Deadline: 07/24/2015, \$7 per entry

Contact: Kent Kirkendall, kentkirkendall@gmail.com

August 14th-15th – Kentucky State Fair Homebrew Competition – Louisville, KY

Deadline: 07/01/2015, Entry Fee: \$5

Contact: Leah Dienes, brewgal@gmail.com

August 22, 2015 – Beer and Sweat, Erlanger, KY

Deadline: 08/12/2015, KEGS ONLY

Contact: Aaron Marcheski, cheski3@gmail.com

August 22, 2015 – 2015 New South Brewoff, Clarksville, TN

Deadline: 08/7/2015, \$7 per entry

Contact: James Visger, visger369@gmail.com

September 13, 2015 – Fifty Fest Brewmaster's Choice, Cincinnati, OH

Deadline: 09/04/2015, \$15 for 1st entry, \$5 for each subsequent entry

Contact: Max Fram, max@fiftywestbrew.com

October 3, 2015 - 2015 Black Forest Brewoff, Kingsport, TN

Deadline: 09/25/2015, entries are free for Kingsport Oktoberfest entrants

Contact: Matt Raby, blackforestbrewoff@gmail.com

Full Calendar of BJCP/AHA Sanctioned Competitions

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



Calendar of Events

August 2015

August BOCK Meeting

Monday, August 10th, 7:00 PM

Location: West Sixth Brewing Co.

Kentucky State Fair Turn-in Date

Wednesday, August 12, between 10AM and 6PM

State Fair and Exposition Center, Louisville, KY

Kentucky State Fair Homebrew Competition

Friday and Saturday, August 14-15

State Fair and Exposition Center, Louisville, KY

Moontower Music Festival

<http://www.moontowermusicfestival.com>

Saturday, August 29

Masterson Station Park, Lexington, KY

September 2015

Lexington Fest of Ales

Friday, September 4th, 5:30 PM

Cheapside Park, Lexington, KY

September BOCK Meeting

Monday, September 14th, 7:00 PM

Location: TBD

October 2015

Kingsport Oktoberfest

Saturday, October 3rd

Kingsport, TN

October BOCK Meeting

Monday, October 12th, 7:00 PM

Location: TBD

2015 BOCK Iron Mash

Date TBD

Location TBD

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

Meeting Minutes – July 13, 2015

Lexington Beerworks provided plenty of space (and unexpectedly awesome weather as well!) for the July BOCK meeting, held on Monday the 13th. Beerworks has been providing BOCK with support for our bulk malt purchases as well as the Bluegrass Cup and other events. Please remember to say “Thanks!” to Greg the next time you see him!

The next BOCK meeting will be Monday, August 10th at West Sixth Brewing Company.

There were plenty of announcements made at the meeting, to compensate for the complete lack of announcements at the June meeting. Primary Fermenter Harck Pickett gave the 411:

- 1) The 2015 Bluegrass Cup was held on June 6th at Alltech’s Shrewsbury Hall in downtown Lexington. Results can be found at <http://bluegrass-cup.bockbrew.com/>. BOCK brought home 24 of the 77 medals, which is an excellent showing versus the past few years. Our aggressive goal this year was to email all scoresheets on the day of the competition, and we did it! Many thanks to the hard work of Harck Pickett and Chad Shive to accomplish this lofty goal.
- 2) Again for the Bluegrass Cup: many thanks go to the great folks at Alltech (including Jon Brown for helping with the communication), Emily Camp for doing the event coordination, Head Judge Tony Aiken, and the wonderful food which was provided by the members of BOCK (Ryan Smalley, Greg Pulver, Ryan Harding, Carol Summers, Ben Shelton, etc.). Please give Ben Hoh special thanks (and your best beer) for once again providing excellent barbeque, and for providing his family’s services to provide a plethora of sides. Lynn Schentrup and Merna Brown did an excellent job with the raffle, while Cellarmaster Chad Shive again managed to corral 482 beers without incident. And judges/stewards, give yourself a pat on the back for the smoothest Bluegrass Cup so far! And while I’m at it, I’ll buy myself a cold one for directing the stewards. Apologies if I missed anyone, it was truly an excellent team effort!
- 3) Entries for the State Fair **must be turned in on August 12 between 10AM and 6PM** (not a typo, all entries must be brought to the Kentucky State Exposition Center on the 12th!). Ben Hoh has graciously agreed to transport entries on that date, if they are brought to him at the August 10th BOCK meeting. Contact Ben at secondary@bockbrew.com if you have entries but can’t make the meeting. The fine folks from Louisville helped us a great deal with our own event, please reciprocate by helping to [judge](#) or steward the 340 entries on August 14th-15th. And you have to check out the awards below. Pretty sweet!



KY State Fair Medal (2nd place)



State Fair Mead/Cider Best of Show Award

- 4) This past Thursday, BOCK's Keith Rodenhauser was announced as the winner of the 2015 Alltech Pro-Am Competition with his Session IPA. Keith's Session IPA is a low bitterness ale (1st hop addition at 15 minutes!) using manually-toasted malt that is very drinkable. Alltech will be brewing this soon and distributing kegs regionally. They will also be sending Keith (and his beer) to the Great American Beer Festival (GABF) to compete in the Pro-Am Competition. Way to go Keith!
- 5) BOCK Secondary Ben Hoh's Blackberry Gose has been brewed by the West Sixth Brewing Company (240 pounds of blackberries!), so look for the final product to be on tap around Lexington in the next few weeks.
- 6) Ethereal has judged their *brettanomyces custersianus*-based homebrewing competition. Expect the winner announcement soon!
- 7) The BOCK-homebrewed Russian Imperial Stout has been extracted from the 2 bourbon barrels in Chad Shive's garage, and the barrels have been refilled with Flanders Red. Nineteen different BOCK brewers joined forces to satisfy the barrels' ravenous thirst for quality homebrewed beer. Once the barreling was complete, the finished RIS was at 10-11% ABV. Once again, many thanks to Kevin Nowaczyk for procuring the barrels, to Ben Hoh and Jon Brown for arranging the Flanders Red on short notice (and to Jon and Josh Martinez for arranging the bugs), and especially to Chad and Mary Shive for storing the barrels in their garage and serving tasty grilled cheese sandwiches.
- 8) BOCK's 21st Birthday is this year! There will be a fall event, either in September or October. Expect the details to be finalized during the next BOCK meeting.
- 9) The 2015 Iron Mash is also coming this fall, with the date expected to be in October. This event involves BOCK members dividing into pairs to come up with a recipe for a pre-selected box of ingredients, and brewing on the spot. It's always a great time. There are several possible venues this year, and we are narrowing down the options. Watch FROTH for details!
- 10) The Lexington Fest of Ales is happening on Friday, September 4th. [Chris Vandergrift](#) needs about 50 volunteers for pouring as well as logistical support. While you cannot consume and serve at the same time, Chris holds a Volunteers-only event a few weeks after the Fest to thank those who helped out.
- 11) 2015 BOCK memberships are available for \$25 per member (\$35 for couples) and can be paid on the website through the [Paypal link](#). BOCK Membership includes a 10% discount on homebrew supplies at Beerworks, Liquor Barn, and Bottom of the Barrel. Membership will also get you a tasting glass 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. Email primary@bockbrew.com if you are not receiving BOCK emails or have other technical issues related to accessing BOCK resources.

...and keep brewing!

John