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If you would like to submit an article or have something that you would like to see included, please contact Joel Wheeler at scribe@bockbrew.com

Local Homebrew Competition Dates

April 1, 2016 – AHA National Homebrew Competition, 1st Round – Nashville, TN

Deadline 3/9/2016, \$14 per entry, AHA members only

Contact: Art Whitaker, munk24@aol.com

April 23rd, 2016 – Hammerdown Brewcup

Presented by The Northern Kentucky Homebrewers Guild and

Braxton Brewing

Deadline 4/15/16, \$6 per entry

Visit the [NKYHG website](#) for registration and info

June 11th, 2016 – Bluegrass Cup

Contact: Ryan Smalley, eventcoordinator@bockbrew.com

Registration: <http://bluegrass-cup.bockbrew.com>

Full Calendar of BJCP/AHA Sanctioned Competitions

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



Calendar of Events

April 2016

April BOCK Meeting

Monday, April 11, 7:00 PM
Lexington Beerworks, Lexington

Hammerdown Brewcup

Saturday, April 23, 9:00 AM
Braxton Brewing Company
27 W. 7th St.
Covington, KY 41011

May 2016

Derby City BrewFest

Friday, May 6
KFC Yum! Center, Louisville
<http://derbycitybrewfest.com/>

Jackalope Brewing Co. Presents "Let's Get Weird" Homebrew Competition

Sunday, May 8 (deadline May 1, dropoff May 5-7)
Nashville, TN
<http://kristen626.wix.com/jackalopebrew>

June 2016

Bluegrass Cup

Alltech Shrewsbury Hall, Lexington
Saturday, June 11

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

Update from the Keeper of the Cash

Current bank balance:

Bank: \$3,799.25
PayPal: \$2,300.53

New members since February:

Drew Speer
Tim Smith
Clay Bunn
Phillip Barnett

Welcome new members!



Meeting Minutes – March 14, 2016

Spring has sprung and the beer was brung (sorry, got carried away there) to the March BOCK meeting at West Sixth Brewing in Lexington last Monday, the 14th. Many thanks to the guys at West Sixth for hosting us!

The next BOCK meeting will be at 7:00 PM Monday, April 11 at Lexington Beerworks in Lexington.



BOCK Primary Fermenter Harck Pickett gave the announcements at this month's meeting:

1. West Sixth hosted their annual brew off on March 12. Good luck to everyone who entered! The event was fantastic and was a lot of fun to participate in. Thanks to Chris Vandergrift for his effort in organizing the event. And thanks again to West Sixth for hosting BOCK this month!
2. Thanks also to Lexington Beerworks for all their help in BOCK's bulk grain purchase, and thanks to Justin Rowland for packing up the extras. Justin also has bulk PBW for sale, so please see him if interested. If you haven't heard about it, BOCK periodically buys large bags of grain at cost. If you're an all-grain brewer, it can really help you save money, so watch for the next purchase! A special shout out to Primary Fermenter Harck Pickett for organizing the order.
3. The Northern Kentucky Homebrewers' Guild is sponsoring the Hammerdown Brew Cup Homebrew Competition on April 23. This is a great event for BOCK members to submit entries to, as one of the drop off points is at Blue Stallion Brewing here in Lexington. [Registration](#) is open now and closes April 15. Dropoff at Blue Stallion begins April 1 and ends April 15. Get your beer ready to submit (two bottles), and consider volunteering to be a judge or steward for the competition!
4. If you are participating in the latest bourbon barrel brew, be ready to rack your beer into the barrel on the morning of April 17. We will be taking the Flanders Red out of the old barrels that morning, too, so be prepared to take your share if you participated last time around! The barrels are at Chad Shive's house, so check your email in the coming weeks for his address and an exact time of when to arrive. Many thanks go to John Spicer and Justin Rowland for facilitating the discussions of the recipes.
5. Speaking of BOCK's bourbon barrels, Jeff Kirkner submitted last year's brew, the Bourbon Barrel Russian Imperial Stout, to the Winter's Warmers homebrew competition in Philadelphia. Jeff received word last week that it won best of show! Congrats to everyone who contributed to this brew, and thanks to Jeff for submitting it.
6. By the way, one of BOCK's bourbon barrels will become available for purchase after April 17. Please contact Harck at primary@bockbrew.com if you are interested in buying it.
7. Blue Stallion recently sponsored a lager-only homebrewing competition, and we are pleased that BOCK member Jim Miller won the competition with his Baltic Porter! It was brewed March 14, so look for it at Blue Stallion in the coming months. Congratulations, Jim!
8. May 13-22 is Lexington Craft Beer Week, and David Workman was on hand to discuss Blue Stallion's plan to showcase local homebrewers' recipes during that brewery's festivities. If you would like to brew with Blue Stallion, send an email to David at juxbecause@gmail.com. He will coordinate a time for you to come and

- brew your recipe on Blue Stallion's equipment.
9. Chris from Kentucky Hop Growers Alliance was at the meeting to talk about the hop rhizome harvest party that was to take place this past Saturday, the 19th. The event had to be canceled due to weather, unfortunately, but take a look at their [Facebook page](#) for future events.
 10. BOCK Event Coordinator Ryan Smalley would like to bulk up the Awards page on the BOCK website. We have a lot of great brewers who have many accolades for their beers. Any award reflects on the club and we take pride in our member's accomplishments. We would like to recognize them not only as individuals, but show as a club what we can accomplish. If you have won any awards, competitions, etc., please take a couple minutes and fill out [this survey](#) so we can add your info to our page. If you forget an award or there are not enough spaces just fill out another form. Let [Ryan](#) know if you have any questions.
 11. As always, please volunteer for the BOCK Bluegrass Cup, which will take place June 11 at Alltech Shrewsbury Hall. We need help organizing the raffle, and we need judges and stewards, too! Please volunteer, and please enter your beer in the competition!

As usual, please [send me](#) anything you'd like to include in FROTH!

Thanks, and keep brewing!

Joel