



August 2013 Newsletter

Next Club Meeting: Sunday, 18th August from 12:00pm
Temp Meeting Location: Robin & Dawn Selwood's House,
45 Fisher St Maidstone

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Next club meeting events

- Free sausage sizzle
- Brewer of the Year Comp:
American Pale Ale
- Guess the Beer
- Raffle



Calendar of Events

August 31st

Club sausage sizzle @ Grain and Grape
(Volunteers wanted)

September 21st

Last day to dropoff Vicbrew entries.

October 5th & 6th

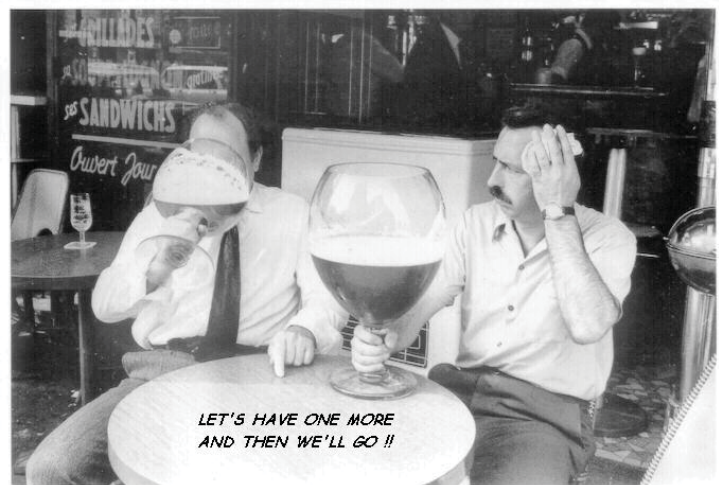
Vicbrew 2013 (www.vicbrew.org)

October 13th

Coach trip to Oktoberfest Bayside Comp?

November 2nd & 3rd

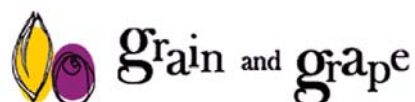
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The Secretaries Report

Dear Westgaters,

Well here we are..Another AGM has passed us and we have a new committee. It's a nice mix of some new faces and some of the regulars! At this point, I feel it necessary to pay thanks to outgoing Treasurer, Robyn Selwood, who has done a wonderful job over the last 3 years. It's not always easy getting money out of people and Rob has had to deal with some of the most prosperous times in the Westgate History. Balancing the books can sometimes be a bugger! With Dawn's elevation to the committee, I'm sure that Rob will still be at committee meetings to help guide the ship that is Westgate. Thanks also must go to Michael for once again arriving early, setting up meat cooking and getting one hell of a turkey cooked! Thanks to all who contributed a keg, helped clean up etc. I for one also thought the soup was a winner (thanks Dawn).Just a reminder, if you didn't pay your membership fees at last month's meeting, they are now due...



Well it's only a matter of time before Tabby knocks me off my newly crowned Brewer of the Year perch. You see, Tabby took out another first at Worthogs Pale Ale Mania 2 weeks ago. Is there a brew comp outside of ours that he hasn't won??? The trophy room would be getting a bit full by now! Just as well he doesn't get a trophy every time he wins a meat tray...

By the time you read this, the committee will have met and set our agenda for the next year. Big on our calendar in the New Year is the club's 21st birthday. As most of you will know, Michael Bowron took a massive hit for the club. He took 2 days off work , brewed two days running , cooked meat on a spit , cleaned up endless amounts of spewing yeast and generally gave his all in the production of the clubs Barleywine.The next step is to wash bottles. Then we will have to bottle it. Now Michael should not have to do all the hard work...so be prepared to give an hour or three to help us .The Barleywine will be gifted to all current and past club members and sponsors. So if you know a past member...let me know, because we also plan on inviting them to a little party we have planned next year....

For those that have waited patiently for a Brew shirt, we will be taking orders at the September meeting. These shirts are only available to full club members .We will need money up front this time and we expect the cost to be around \$40.If you'd like another one , now is the time. Stout Extravaganza was also a massive success for the club. Club support was down a little and those that were there did work extra hard to make it happen. Congrats goes to Michael Bowron who scored a first with his dry stout. His was the only winner from Westgate. We lost the Billy Mutton Perpetual trophy for club of show. We want it back...so start making those Baltic Porters and RIS' now....

On a final note...the club meeting is at Rob and Dawn's, due to the electoral commission taking the hall of us (hope they don't fall through the floor!)The Address for Rob and Dawn is at the top of the newsletter!!!! (45 Fisher Street Maidstone)

See you at the next one
Ferg



Brewer of the Year Competition Schedule & Ladder

Meeting Date	Category	Styles	Results
August 2013	7. American Pale Ale	7.1 American Pale Ale	
October 2013	16. Wheat & Rye Beer	16.1 American Wheat & Rye Beer 16.2 Weizen/weissebeer (Wheat) 16.3 Dunkle Weizen 16.4 Weizenbock 16.5 Roggenbier (Rye)	
November 2013	5. Strong Lager (Over 6%)	5.1 Strong Pale Lager 5.2 Maibock/Hellesbock 5.3 Traditional Bock 5.4 Doppelbock 5.5 Eisbock	
January 2014	Fixed Recipe	17.1 Witbier (White) Fixed grain, fixed yeast, you choose the spices. Recipe TBA	
May 2014	10. Porter	10.1 Brown Porter 10.2 Robust Porter 10.3 Baltic Porter	
June 2014	TBA	TBA	

Westgate Brewers is committed to encouraging responsible drinking
REMEMBER– If you Drink and Drive-You're a Bloody Idiot



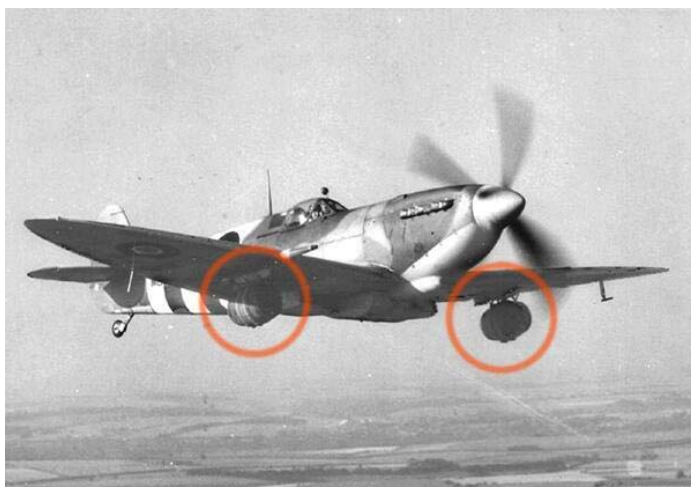
Interesting Beer Related Stuff



Historical Pictures (@HistoricalPics)

10/08/13 2:03 AM

An English brewery donates beer to troops fighting in Normandy by strapping kegs to the underwings of Spitfires, 1944
pic.twitter.com/klRVJHG45D



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Pale Ale Mania 2013 Results

English Pale Ale

Number of Entries : 10

Bottle Cap I.D.	Name	Club	Novice	Total /50	Place
IPA	Lukas Dedman	WH		43.0	1st
432	John Strantzen	WH		42.0	2nd
52	Glenn Le Page	WH		41.5	* 3rd
ESB165	Dereck Hales	MB		41.5	
	Craig Tabb	WG		41.0	
	John Sheehan	BS		35.0	
	Paul Bowlen	WH		33.0	
PB	Fergus McGregor	WG		32.0	
	Michael Bowron	WG		31.0	
JC2	Jim Cahill		Y	19.0	

* Countback on flavour to spit tied score

IPA

Number of Entries : 20

Bottle Cap I.D.	Name	Club	Novice	Style	Total /50	Place
DA	Darryl Hill			American	36.3	1st
IPA	Lukas Dedman	WH		English	36.0	* 2nd
EIPA	Imants Vitolins	WH		English	36.0	* 3rd
	Edward Cox		Y	English	35.7	
DH	Darryl Hill			American	35.7	
PGGB	Tim Corcoran	RB	Y	American	32.0	
KAIPA	Kristian Martin	RB	Y	American	30.3	
KIPA	Lukas Dedman	WH		American	29.7	
IPAZPY	Peter Yelland	BS	Y	American	29.7	
1B	Matt Daniel	MB		English	28.7	
433	John Strantzen	WH		English	28.7	
DRS GA2	Chris Gill	BS		American	28.3	
37A	Pete Martin	BAD	Y	American	27.7	
430	John Strantzen	WH		American	27.7	
SB	Steve Blair	WG	Y	American	27.0	
1L	Matt Daniel	MB		American	25.0	
green	John Kingston	WG		English	24.7	
	Michael Bowron	WG		English	24.7	
LexIPA	Alexis Spencer			English	22.3	
	John Sheehan	BS		American	20.0	

* Countback on flavour to spit tied score

American Pale Ale

Number of Entries :

29

Bottle Cap I.D.	Name	Club	Novice	Total /50	Place
Bare	Edward Cox		Y	42.0	1st
	Dave Phillips	WH		35.0	2nd
CK One	Cameron Kinder		Y	34.5	3rd
90	Cameron Blanchard		Y	32.2	
CCPA8	Ian Jones	WG	Y	31.3	
CC2	Chris Courtney		Y	31.3	
CC1	Chris Courtney		Y	30.8	
APA803	Dereck Hales	MB		29.0	
34	Braden Hammond	BS		28.8	
	Grant Morley	WG	Y	28.0	
152A	John Kingston	WG		28.0	
429	John Strantzen	WH		28.0	
ANHC	Michael Bowron	WG		27.0	
king	Lukas Dedman	WH		26.7	
CK	Cameron Kinder		Y	26.7	
TP	Troy Poulter	BS	Y	26.3	
686	Luke Palmer	BS	Y	24.0	
49	Shaun Raymer	BS		23.5	
A	Matt Daniel	MB		23.0	
H	Robin Selwood	WG		19.0	
KAPA	Kristian Martin	RB	Y	17.7	
48	Nola & Bobbie Sadowski			17.3	
	Dermott Dowling	WG	Y	16.3	
JC1	Jim Cahill		Y	16.0	
APA1PY	Peter Yelland	BS	Y	15.7	
AB	Matt Daniel	MB		15.5	
17959	John Kingston	WG		12.3	
APA	Fergus McGregor	WG		12.0	
SUM PA	Chris Gill	BS		7.3	

Clubs:

WH	Wort Hogs
WG	Westgate Brewers
MB	Melbourne Brewers
BS	Bayside Brewers
YV	Yarra Valley Brewers
BAD	Bendigo and Districts Home brewing club
RB	The Racoon Brewcrew

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: Sat 21st Sept 2013. No Late Entries.

\$10 for first entry, \$6 for subsequent entries, cheques payable to 'VICBREW'. Entries can be delivered to participating brew stores in Victoria (including *Geelong Home Brewing, Grain & Grape Yarraville, Greensborough Home Brewing Supplies, Narre Brew Supplies Hallam, Brewers Choice Woori Yallock, The Brewer's Den Boronia, Ballarat Home Brew Centre, Bendigo Home Brew Centre, Ezybrew, Raglan St., Sale and Magick Brew*) or delivered to: Mark Hibberd Ph: 9580 0372.

Judging will be on 5th & 6th October 2013 at Belgian Beer Café Eureka, 5 Riverside Quay, Southbank Melbourne. Melways 2F E7

Rules & Information

- Maximum of 2 entries per category per brewer. Within this limit, only one entry per style. The beer style nominated must be a designated style for the category, as listed over the page. Entries open to Victorian residents only. The organisers reserve the right to reclassify a beer to a listed style. Style guidelines (to be used in the judging) available at: www.vicbrew.org
- Entries must be amateur brews. Beers fermented in a commercial brewery are ineligible.
- Strictly one bottle per entry only (750ml preferred) with a minimum of 500 ml beer. Cost \$10 for first entry from each brewer, \$6 for each subsequent entry. Cheques payable to 'VICBREW'. Entries registered online from August 1st will cost \$8 each.
- Judging will be by blind tasting. Judges decision will be final. Completed judging sheets will be returned to brewers.
- Prizes will be awarded for the best three beers in each Category. The Sponsors of the prizes are listed over page. Beers within a Category will be judged together using the Style guidelines. (See rule 1.)
- Trophies will be awarded for the 3 highest scoring beers in each Category. In the event of tied scores, placegetters will be decided by progressive countback as follows: a) highest score for Overall Impression; b) highest score for Flavour; c) smallest spread in total scores (smallest difference between highest and lowest scores); d) the judging panel will be requested to resolve the tie.
- "Champion Brewer" and "Best Club" will be determined by the sum of points awarded: 1st: 3 points, 2nd: 2 points and 3rd: 1 point.
- Champion Beer and Best Novice will be based on the highest number of judging points received for any beer, with rule 6. to be invoked in the event of a tie.
- Best Novice Trophy is open to brewers who have not placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd in previous VicBrew accredited competitions.
- Scott Vernon Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the Club providing the greatest number of entrants.
- Brewers of the best three beers in each Category will be invited to enter that beer (or a replacement) in the National Championship to be held in Canberra on 2nd & 3rd November 2013. Entry fee to VicBrew 2013 includes cost of entry to Nationals and delivery from participating Victorian brew shops.
- Presentations for VicBrew 2013 to be made after 5 pm on Sunday 6th October.

ENTRY FORM — VICBREW 2013 Closing Date: 21st September

Please fold page or cut off entry form and **attach with rubber band** to bottle with entry details visible. Include entry fee in envelope attached to bottle.

Brewer Details (Information supplied will only be used by VicBrew.)		Organiser use only – entry #	
Brewer's Name (If multiple brewers, give primary brewer – only one name accepted)			
Address (street)		Suburb	
Email		Postcode	
Phone		Club	
Beer Details (For list of Categories & Styles within Categories, see over. Maximum of TWO entries per Category per brewer.)			
Category #	Category name	Style # Please specify so that your beer can be judged properly.	
Name of Brew (optional)		Bottle Cap ID	
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Mash	<input type="checkbox"/> Mini Mash	<input type="checkbox"/> Extract	<input type="checkbox"/> Wort kit <input type="checkbox"/> Kit Please specify kit:
Yeast Used		Original Gravity	Final Gravity
Full recipe may be requested from placegetters to produce a recipe booklet.			
Cost: \$10 for first entry from each brewer, \$6 for subsequent entries <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Cheque payable to 'VICBREW'		Payment included <input type="checkbox"/> with this entry <input type="checkbox"/> as part of a bulk payment Payment for bulk entries can be combined in a single envelope, but please include with payment a list of Brewers and Beer Entries paid for.	