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Grand Brew Fest a Grand Success

October was a pretty happening month for SODZ. First, there was the Grand Brew Fest on October 8th. What a great time! Under the big top, there was beer tasting galore, while in the great outdoors there was great German food from Spagio. And, of course, we could not have asked for better weather.

A big thanks goes out to all of the SODZ members who not only made this event a success, but made it possible in the first place. SODZ people sold tickets, ran beer from the store out to the tables, conducted homebrewing demonstrations, and judged and stewarded the homebrew contest inside. Many folks arrived early in the morning to help set up and did not leave until the tent had been struck and put away. Give yourselves a pat on the back people!

Did someone say "Homebrew contest"?

Indeed I did! SODZ members accounted for a large percentage of the entries to the contest... and an even larger percentage of the winners. At the writing of this newsletter, there were winners announced in six categories, as well as a Best of Show and First Runner-Up.

Who are the lucky winners? Come to the next meeting and find out! Sean has said that he'd like to announce the winners at the next SODZ meeting and award the prizes then. Does that mean the Best of Show was a SODZ member? Come to Hosters and find out. ☺

Notes from the October 12th Meeting

The October meeting was exciting for several reasons. First, we voted on and passed our club constitution as amended. Not so exciting, you

say? Now we don't have to talk about a constitution any more! *That's* exciting! Back to beer!

The October meeting also brought several new people to our club. So many, in fact, that we clearly outgrew our usual meeting room downstairs at Wines, Inc. Unfortunately, we hadn't really prepared the rest of the basement for a club meeting, so things were a little, uh, cramped. Still, we had a nice opportunity to talk and discuss beer and taste homebrews. Also, thanks to Victor for bringing the growlers of his beers. It's nice to have a benchmark to work from.

However, the October meeting raised some questions. In the past we've had a tasting period where we tasted one beer at a time and discussed its merits as a group. At the last meeting, it seemed that people broke into small groups and tasted beers within their groups and that there wasn't much large group discussion. Part of that is due to the larger size of our club, and some was due to the nature of the room we met in.

Still, it leads to a discussion of how people would like to see meetings conducted. Do you want large group discussions or small group discussions? Or do you just want to let things happen, and not talk about it? Either way, if you bring a beer to taste, you should start bringing 3 or 4 bottles instead of 2. We're getting big enough that we need the extras.

Next Meeting at Hosters, November 9 @ 7 PM

We took a quick straw poll at the end of the last meeting and asked people if they wanted to meet at Hosters this month. The result was a huge YES vote. (We had planned to meet at Barleys, but they told us they didn't want us. Drink Hosters!) So plan to meet at Hosters on November 9th at 7:00 PM. See you there.

GABF Professional Panel Blind Tasting Competition Results

Classic English-Style Pale Ale -- (28 entries)

Bronze - Saranac Pale Ale, Saranac Brewing Company, Utica, NY
Honorable Mention - Pullman Pale Ale, Riverside Brewing Co., CA

India Pale Ale -- (63 entries)

Gold - Big D's "Vail Pale Ale", Hubcap Brewery, Dallas, TX
Silver - Columbus IPA, Pacific Coast Brewing Co., Oakland, CA
Bronze - Wet Mountain India Pale Ale, Il Vicino, Salida, CO

American Pale Ale -- (65 entries)

Gold - Sierra Nevada Pale Ale, Sierra Nevada Brewing, Chico, CA
Silver - Snake River Pale Ale, Snake River Brewing, Jackson, WY
Bronze - Post Road Pale Ale, Old Marlborough Brewing Co., Framingham, MA

American Amber Ale -- (99 entries)

Gold - Alaskan Autumn Ale, Alaskan Brewing Co., Juneau, AK
Silver - California Amber Ale, Fremont Brewing Co., CA
Bronze - Boont Amber Ale, Anderson Valley Brewing Company, Boonville, CA

Traditional English-Style Bitter -- (45 entries)

Gold - Belk's Extra Special Bitter Ale, Anderson Valley Brewing Company, Boonville, CA
Bronze - Wild River ESB, Wild River Brewing, Grants Pass, OR

Scottish-Style Ales -- (27 entries)

Bronze - Rightfield Red Ale, Sand Lot Brewery at Coors Field, CO

Blonde Ale -- (63 entries)

Gold - Kolsch, Stoddard's Brewhouse and Eatery, Sunnyvale, CA
Silver - Oregon Honey Beer, Portland Brewing Co., Portland, OR
Bronze - Brewers Golden, Sioux Falls Brewing Co., SD

English-Style Brown Ale -- (53 entries)

Gold - Finn Mac/Soul Red, Irish Times, Palm Beach Garden, FL
Silver - Irish Red, Crooked River Brewing Co., Cleveland, OH
Honorable Mention - Red Mountain Red Ale, Birmingham Brewing Company, Birmingham, AL

American Brown Ale -- (37 entries)

Gold - Golden Gate Original Ale, Golden Pacific Brewing, Emeryville, CA
Silver - Oregon Trail Brown Ale, Oregon Trail Brew, Corvallis, OR
Bronze - Pete's Wicked Ale, Pete's Brewing Co., Palo Alto, CA
Honorable Mention - Naughty Monkey Brown Ale, Seabright Brewery Pub and Rest., Santa Cruz, CA

German Brown Ale/Dusseldorfer Altbier-(11 entries)

Gold - Duesseldorfer Altbier, McNeill's Brewery, Brattleboro, VT
Silver - Hornet Tail Ale, Carolina Mill, Bakery & Brewery, Charlotte, NC
Bronze - Wild Horse Ale, Great Basin Brewing Co., Sparks, NV

German-Style Wheat Ale -- (41 entries)

Gold - Heavenly Hefeweizen, Heavenly Daze Brewery, Steamboat Springs, CO
Silver - Wild Pitch Hefeweizen, Sand Lot Brewery, Coors Field, CO
Bronze - Empire Hefeweizen, Empire Brewing Co., Syracuse, NY

Robust Porter -- (62 entries)

Gold - Black Jack Porter, Left Hand Brewing Co., Longmont, CO
Silver - Black Silk, Liberty St. Brewing Co., Akron, OH
Bronze - Pt. Reyes Porter, Marin Brewing Co., Larkspur, CA
Honorable Mention - Pullman's Porter, McNeill's Brewery, Brattleboro, VT

Brown Porter -- (25 entries)

Silver - Porter, Stoddard's Brewhouse and Eatery, Sunnyvale, CA
Bronze - Black Butte Porter, Deschutes Brewery, Inc., Bend, OR

Dry Stouts -- (39 entries)

Gold - Snake River Zonker Stout, Snake River Brew, Jackson, WY
Silver - Founder's Stout, Mishawaka Brewing Co., Mishawaka, IN
Bronze - Irish Stout, Butterfield Brewing Co., Fresno, CA

Specialty Stouts -- (43 entries)

Gold - Seabright Oatmeal Stout, Seabright Brewery, Santa Cruz, CA
Silver - Steamboat Stout Main Street Brewery - Cincinnati, OH
Bronze - Farmer Jon's Oatmeal Stout, Heartland Brewery, NYC, NY
Honorable Mention - Kinnikinick Old Scout Stout, 20 Tank Brewery, San Francisco, CA

Strong Ale -- (48 entries)

Gold - Dog Spit Stout, O'Ryans Tavern/Brewery, Las Cruces, NM
Silver - Bell's Expedition Stout, Kalamazoo Brewing Co., MI
Honorable Mention - Bourbon County Stout, Goose Island, Chicago
Honorable Mention - Hubscotch Ale, Hubcap Brewery, Vail, CO

Barley Wine -- (20 entries)

Gold - Bigfoot Barleywine Style Ale, Sierra Nevada Brewing Co.
Bronze - Old Foghorn Barleywine, Anchor Brewing Co.

Belgian-Style Ales -- (14 entries)

Gold - Belgian Triple, Pacific Coast Brewing Co., Oakland, CA
Silver - Celis Grand Cru, Celis Brewery, Austin, TX
Bronze - Abbey Trappist, New Belgium Brewing, Fort Collins, CO

Belgian-Style Specialty Ales -- (11 entries)

Gold - Celis White, Celis Brewery, Austin, TX
Silver - Thomas Kemper White, Thomas Kemper Lager, Seattle, WA
Bronze - Belgian Amber Framboise, Cottonwood Brew, Boone, NC

European-Style Pilsener -- (40 entries)

Gold - Hubsch Pilsner, Sudwerk Privatbrauerei Hubsch, Davis, CA
Silver - Peerless Pilsner, Great Lakes Brewing Co., Cleveland, OH
Bronze - Stoudt's Pils, Stoudt Brewing Company, Adamstown, PA

Munchener Helles and Export -- (17 entries)

Gold - Hellcat, Liberty St. Brewing Co., Akron, OH
Silver - Berghoff Original Lager Beer, Huber Brewing, Monroe, WI
Bronze - Zeppelin, Liberty St. Brewing Co., Akron, OH

American Lager -- (18 entries)

Gold - Red Dog, Miller Brewing Co., Milwaukee, WI
Silver - Old Style Lager, G. Heileman Brewing Co., La Crosse, WI
Bronze - Original Coors, Coors Brewing Co., Golden, CO

American Light Lager -- (18 entries)

Gold - Pabst Genuine Draft Light, Pabst Brewing Co., Milwaukee
Silver - Bud Light, Anheuser-Busch Inc., St. Louis, MO
Bronze - Lone Star Light, Lone Star Brewing Co., San Antonio, TX

American Premium Lager -- (20 entries)

Gold - Budweiser, Anheuser-Busch Inc., St. Louis, MO
Silver - Point Special, Stevens Point Brewery, Stevens Point, WI
Bronze - Pearl Premium Lager, Pearl Brewing Co., San Antonio, TX

American Specialty Lager -- (11 entries)

Gold - Olympia Dry, Pabst Brewing Co., Milwaukee, WI
Silver - Rainier Ice, Rainier Brewing Co., Seattle, WA
Bronze - Colt Ice, Carling National Brewing, Baltimore, MD

American Malt Liquor -- (10 entries)

Gold - Olde English 800, Pabst Brewing Co., Milwaukee, WI
Silver - Schlitz Malt Liquor, Jos. Schlitz Brewing Co., Detroit, MI
Bronze - Laser, Specialty Brewing Company, Milwaukee, WI

Vienna Lager -- (27 entries)

Gold - Red Bone Red Lager, Specialty Brewing Co., Milwaukee, WI
Silver - Samuel Houston's Austin Lager, Waterloo Brewing Co., Austin, TX
Bronze - Michael Shea's Irish Amber, HighFalls Brewing Co., Rochester, NY

Marzen / Oktoberfest -- (30 entries)

Gold - Three Finger Jack Amber, Saxer Brewing, Lake Oswego, OR
Silver - Oktoberfest, Capital Brewery, Middleton, WI

Bronze - Samuel Adams Oktoberfest, Boston Beer Co., Boston, MA

Dark Lager -- (36 entries)

Gold - Red Wolf, Anheuser-Busch Inc., St. Louis, MO
Silver - Dixie Blackened Voodoo Lager, Dixie Brew, New Orleans
Bronze - Pigs Eye Red Amber Ale, Minnesota Brewing, St. Paul, MN

Bock -- (24 entries)

Gold - DeGroen's Doppelbock, Baltimore Brewing Co., Baltimore
Silver - Blue Ridge Sublimator Doppelbock, Frederick Brewing Company, Frederick, MD
Bronze - Garten Brau Doppelbock, Capital Brewery, Middleton, WI
Honorable Mention - Stoudt's Honey Double Mai-Bock, Stoudt Brewing Company, Adamstown, PA

American Lager /Ale or Cream Ale -- (12 entries)

Gold - Liebotschaner Cream Ale, Lion Brewing, Wilkes-Barre, PA
Silver - Yellow Rose Cream Ale, Hoffbrau Steaks Brewery, Dallas
Bronze - Genesee Cream Ale, Genesee Brewing Co., Rochester, NY

American Wheat Ale or Lager -- (49 entries)

Gold - Mountain Wheat, Breckenridge Brewery, Denver, CO
Silver - Saranac Golden, Saranac Brewing Company, Utica, NY
Bronze - Hefeweizen-American, Thomas Kemper Lager, Seattle, WA

Fruit Beers -- (79 entries)

Gold - Raspberry Rage, Newport Beach Brewing Co, CA
Silver - Razz Wheat, Oaken Barrel Brewing, Greenwood, IN
Bronze - Royal Raspberry Ale, 75th Street Brewery, Kansas City

Herb / Spice Beers -- (33 entries)

Gold - Arctic Wheat, Mountain Sun Pub and Brewery, Boulder, CO
Silver - Olivers Christmas Ale, Wharf Rat Camden Yards, Baltimore, MD
Bronze - Amber Wit, Spring Street Brewing Co., St. Paul, MN

Specialty -- (27 entries)

Gold - Hummingbird Ale, Mountain Sun Pub&Brew, Boulder, CO
Silver - Harvest Rye, Steelhead Brewery and Cafe, Eugene, OR
Bronze - Titanium Wheat, Steelhead Brewery Irvine, Irvine, CA

Smoke-Flavored Beers -- (8 entries)

Gold - Alaskan Smoked Porter, Alaskan Brewing Co., Juneau, AK
Silver - Smoked Chocolate Porter, Rhino Chasers, Culver City, CA
Bronze - Zebulon's Peated Porter, Phantom Canyon Brewing Co., Colorado Springs, CO

Non-Alcoholic Malt Beverages -- (10 entries)

Gold - Kingsbury Red NA, G. Heileman Brewing Co., La Crosse, WI
Silver - O'Douls, Anheuser-Busch Inc., St. Louis, MO
Bronze - Old Milwaukee NA, Jos. Schlitz Brewing Co, Detroit, MI

RENOWNED BROWN CLUB-ONLY COMPETITION **BRING YOUR ENTRIES TO NOVEMBER MEETING!**

The Renowned Brown Club-Only Competition, AHA Sanctioned Competition, is December 9, 1995. Because the contest is so soon, we will have to judge any entries at the November meeting! I know this is short

notice, and I'm sorry. Still, there must be some good brown ales out there among SODZ members, and we'd love to send one to the national club-only competition. So bring out those brown ales for club judging on...

November 9th, 7:00 PM at *Hosters*

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Chip Says "Thanks Everyone!"

By Chip Wood, SODZ President

Thank you for a great October! Now that the Constitution and Bylaws are approved, we can turn our attention to filing for our "not for profit" status and becoming a full blown corporation. All these administrative things will, in the long run, ensure our club's health in the future. Also, many thanks go out to the volunteers at the

Grandbrew Fest. Without your help we could not have pulled off this very successful event.

But now is no time to sit back and relax! Mark and Bonnie Katona will need help for the Christmas Party, and we need volunteers to help organize a trip to Cincinnati. Your ideas, thoughts, and hard work are always appreciated by everyone!