

Minutes 21 March 2010

Meeting Began: 1:20 PM

Present: Larry, Dimone, Wendy, Steve E, Mark C, Dick, Joe, Dave, Mia, Tom

Minutes Approved

Old Business:

- Sierra Nevada - Larry is working with the confirmed participants and finalizing the agenda
- Yahoo Group - It's all set up. Larry and Joe will be co-moderators. If you have not received an invitation email please let Mia or Joe know ASAP. This will soon become the main way for club only communication so you need to join if you want to be in the loop and up to date. Questions/concerns can be directed to Joe, Larry or Mia.
- April Meeting - Sierra Nevada
- May Meeting - May 23rd at Mark Crain's unless we schedule Mushroom Club Picnic. Topic will be hops (specifically the newer types) and Tom Lopez offered to check with Reed from Uncommon about presenting.
- Big Brew - Santa Cruz Mountain Brewing can no longer host events due to new permitting restrictions. Seabright has asked multiple times about hosting and has confirmed they will be available this year. Dave to check w/Jason on yeast availability.
- Bank Account –Joe & Mia need to pick a date to meet at Bay Fed - will do soon
- Zayante red wine barrel –ideas for style? So far red ale and Flanders red/brown ales have been suggested - tabled until we actually have possession of the barrel. Also, yeast is seasonal. I was unable to determine spring or fall before posting minutes.
- Mushroom club - Rick will propose the weekend of May 22/23. If confirmed we will have business meeting prior to picnic and hop talk in June
- BJCP exam/study groups –any interest? - tabled until fall
- Osacalis tour –Mark C to contact Dan re: timetable and maximum group size

New Business:

- Monterey Beer Fest June 5 –they would like us to demo again & there is going to be a beer film fest of sorts and we are invited to submit something. More details on website http://www.nightthatneverends.com/short_pour.html. General consensus was to pass unless Mark Taylor wants to participate as part of his blog we will send a "support team". (we love you mark, come home)
- Seabright - they would like to do a club only contest where we all brew the Blur IPA. Seabright will provide the recipe and they will sell us the hops at cost. They want the hops to be the same in all the batches but will leave the malt and yeast up to "interpretation" . Timeframe is June/July, details still being hammered out. The winner, of course, gets to brew at Seabright. General consensus was Heck Yes!
- Dave is missing a growler - the portly non-labeled type from 7 bridges - please check your inventory 🍷
- Larry has started a review section on the website - please participate as you travel about enjoying (or not) various beers and pubs
- We will need another 5 gallons or so of old ale to top off the barrel in the future - can someone please volunteer?
- Larry attended a Flemish Sour Blending seminar - very informative - contact him if you would like details
- RIS - barrel will be filled the weekend of April 10/11

Meeting Adjourned: 2:20

Cheers,
Mia