



MYSTIC KREW OF BREW
MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 21, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order by president Joe Taormina at Old Rail Brewery. Toasts were offered to our hosts at Old Rail.

TREASURY REPORT

Daryl Hope reported that the club treasury has a balance of \$1,059.60

OLD BUSINESS

- I. The club had their Baltic Porter competition at this months meeting. We would like to thank Tom Conklin for judging. Out of the different brews of this beer he tasted he chose Ben and Hugh Tate's Black bird 69 to be the best. Thoughts from the brewer.' We had a good recipe the lagering process went well and we stayed as true to the style as we could. It was neat to use malts Vienna that we have not brewed with before.' There was 6 brewers who brewed this style of beer.

Reminder to all members if you have not paid your yearly membership please do.

NEW BUSINESS

- I. Zapp's Beer Fest is coming up in April 14th. I hope everyone is getting there brews of beer(s) ready. This is not a judged Festival.
- II. Two Bike Pub Crawls dates to be announced. Spring and Fall.
- III. The club with have a hop or malt class more details to be announced.
- IV. Larryfest 2018 June 23rd . The posters and donation forms are getting finalized. The Larry Fest committee is looking for sponsors. This is a fun! Fest.
- VI. More details to be announced on club brew gatherings.

Craft Beer week is May 14th – 20th

UPCOMING BEER FESTIVALS

- I. 2nd annual Basin Brew Fest Mar 17th Morgan City
- II. Zapp's Beer Fest April 14th. 3:30-6:30 Always a fun! event
- III. Hattiesburg Craft Beer Festival June 16th
- IV. Westbank Beer Fest July 7th
- V. Emerald Coast Beer Fest Sept. 6th & 7th
- VI. NOLA on Tap Beer Fest Sept. 22nd

For this monthly meeting the featured beer we had a tasting and a talk about was the style Baltic Porter. Thank you to all who chipped in and donated different craft brewery brewed brews of this style of beer. The name of this style has said to be started back in the 1700's and was brewed to be strong so the beer could be shipped across the North Sea. The style has a dark brown color with cloudiness and tastes of smoky/roasted brown malts. The first beer for discussion was the NOLA Brewing Prytania Imperial Porter. The beer was brewed to be a traditional British style that is rich, dark and malty. The second beer was Crying Eagle Brewing Pistol Bridge Porter. This brew was not as high in ABV but it had a nice chocolate flavor that is brewed with English hops. Both the styles of brews may not be a true Baltic Porter but they are both nice dark Porters that complement the unique Louisiana history with their names. The 3rd brew of beer for discussion was Catawba Brewing brewed in the Carolina's. Deep State Baltic Porter is brewed very close to the recipe that some of the club members used for their Baltic Porter. The brewery focus was stay true to this style of beer. Vienna malts helped make this brew unique and have a smooth finish. Lastly all the way from Finland Sinebrychoff Porter. This brew shows very little to no head when poured. The brew tastes of chocolate syrup and liqueur. You may get a lingering finish of oily chocolate. This is a fun new addition to the clubs monthly meeting. My thoughts Porters are the style of beer that I enjoy the most and to be able to take part in the clubs competition on this style was fun.

BREWER NEWS

- I. CHAFUNKTA Has different infusions weekly in their Randall. Also a weekly bike pub Crawl on Saturday's weather pending. Check their Facebook for times and dates. Stay tuned for the 4th anniversary celebration announcement! And the opening of their new brewery! Yay!
- II. Bayou Teche is having their 8th anniversary on March 17th
- III. Brieux Carre Brewing is having their 1st anniversary on March 31st.

Thanks to all who brought raffle items for the raffle.

Next Meeting Thursday March 15, at Mellow Mushroom, in Covington

BEER TASTING

Thanks to all who brewed!

- I. Homebrews

Brewers who brewed Baltic Porters for the club competition.

Joe Taormina

Ben and Hugh Tate

JT
Caleb
Billy
Nancy

JT Pale Ale
Billy Bloody Hell 'Blood Orange IPA'
Ryan O. Ginger Honey Lemon Wheat
Ryan O. Strawberry Cream Ale
Ryan IPA
Ryan Coopers Dregs Ale/Lager
Martin Belgian Berry Brum
Miles Robust Porter
Luke & Danny Black IPA
Luke & Danny Coffee milk Stout
Jim C Lager
Craig S APA

II. Commerical Craft Brews

none were shared other than the monthly featured style of beer.

Happy Brewing!

Meeting adjourned