



Fitchburg Order of Ale Makers



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MEETING MINUTES

Date:	November 15, 2019
Location:	Mike and Sharon's House
Present:	Mike R., Steve, Sharon, Mike, Greg, Lori, Luke and Scott
Food:	Chicken Pot Pie
Beers Sampled: BOM: Competition	<p>HOME BREW: Mike's Cherry Quad and Comp. beers (see below)</p> <p>COMMERCIAL: Founders CBS</p>
Old Business:	<p>The Braggot will be transferred soon. Thia will send out dates via email.</p> <p>Baltic Barrel – The Baltic will be transferred on the morning of November 23, 2019 at Steve's house.</p> <p>The club voted to order three smaller barrels. Scott sent an email out from a place that we could order them from. Mike R. suggested we flavor the barrels with our own liquor and distill it. We will revisit this at future meetings, as we are not ready yet to make a decision.</p> <p>Pump – Is ready and will be used for the Baltic transfer on the 23rd.</p> <p>Scott's friend, Todd Hall asked him to do a brew talk on 11/19 at his Mason Club located at 1 Ionic Avenue in Worcester, MA (parking lot entrance is on Beacon Street). There is a dress code (jacket and tie). It is open to the public, if anyone wants to attend.</p>
New Business:	<p><u>Third Competition</u></p> <p>First Place Thia's Wheat Wine Tie for Second Scott's Imperial Brown Porter Tie for Second Bob's Spanish Octoberfest Third Place Steve's XX Stout Greg's Wood Aged American Brown Ale</p> <p>The club voted via email and the FOAM Holiday Party will be held at Fidelity at 3:00 p.m. on December 14, 2019. The room has been reserved. Going forward the club will vote on the dates of club events.</p> <p>Reminder – If you wish to participate, we are doing at \$20.00 Yankee Swap at the Holiday Party. As always, the Holiday Party is potluck. Sharon will send out an evite for what to bring.</p>

	<p>Reminder - Dues are due at the January meeting.</p> <p>Dave Higgins reached out the Club regarding the 1st Annual Homebrew Competition and Tasting on April 11, 2020 at the American Legion Post 373, 3 Central Street, Baldwinville, MA. A link to this event is on the FOAM Facebook page. To enter your beer into this competition, please contact the event coordinator, Jim Cutting at 978-273-1067. This event is to support Veteran services.</p> <p>We discussed the 2020 competitions. We talked about changing the format of the competitions. Perhaps doing two competitions. One style of your own choice and one out of a hat. Mike R. suggested revamping the scoring to include attendance at meetings, outside competitions and internal competitions. We are open to suggestions. We will discuss and decide at the December meeting.</p> <p>We discussed hosting an open house on National Brew Day or Teach a Friend to Brew Day to get new members. We will revisit the location.</p> <p>Julios is having a beer event this Saturday.</p>
Treasurer's Report:	\$387.43
Webmaster's Report:	Status quo
Raffle Winner:	Congrats, Scott!
Quaff Quote:	"If I ever go missing I want my picture to go on beer bottles instead of milk cartons. That way my friends will know I am missing."
Adjourned:	9:03 p.m.