



MEETING MINUTES

Date:	September 15, 2017
Location:	Fidelity Function Room, Leominster, MA
Present:	Sharon, Mike, Bob, Sherry, Todd, Ryan, Matt B., Matt S., Scott, Mark, Jess, Luke, Steve and Greg
Food:	Chili and corn bread
Beers Sampled: BOM: Brown Ales	<p>HOME BREW:</p> <p>Hamesbest 2014 Holiday Bock Ryan's 50/50 blend of an Oud Bruin and Baltic porter Steve's Amber Ale Mike's Barrel Aged Cherry Quad</p> <p>COMMERCIAL:</p> <p>Flying Dreams Stephanie Brown Ale Evil Twin Brewing Wet Dream (Brown Ale Brewed with Coffee) Dogfish Head Brown Ale English Brown Ale Long Trail Harvest Barn Ale Samuel Smith's Nut Brown Ale</p>
Old Business:	<p>Lambic - Luke will bring a sample to Holiday party.</p> <p>FOAM gear – Thia created a new banner and everyone loves it. There was talk about maybe using this design on the t-shirts/sweatshirts.</p> <p>Jamboree was super fun. We had a great turnout. Ryan and Thia made menus for our beers and the club was well represented.</p> <p>The club voted and we will do a Baltic Porter in the old ale barrel. We will need 11 people for the barrel. This won't be needed to be brewed for at least 9 months to a year.</p> <p>Scott suggested a Sour Braggot for the Lambic barrel. The club voted and agreed. We will 11 people for that barrel as well. This won't be needed to be brewed for at least a year.</p> <p>Advent beer. We have 13 people currently signed up. This needs to be bottled and exchanged at the November meeting. Greg is going to reach out to the Wizards to see if they want to participate.</p> <p>Club insurance was renewed on 8/31. Sharon has the insurance binder if anyone wants to read what is covered.</p>

New Business:	<p>What to do with our money? Mike recommended a club pump with two heads, pedal, hoses, fittings (roughly \$200.00-\$300.00). Club voted yes for this suggestion. Mike will order it. Steve mentioned ordering a scale. Steve mentioned getting a flow meter. Steve will price out both the scale and flow meter.</p> <p>Ryan said that Mass. Brewers Guild - Fermentational is tomorrow in Worcester.</p> <p>Ryan said that Mass Brewers Guild has a great app out for electronic geo stamps.</p> <p>Greg said that Gardner Ale House's Oktoberfest is on 9/30.</p> <p>Leominster Eagles Homebrew Comp. is also on 9/30.</p> <p>Ryan said that the Gardner Ale House Homebrew Competition is on 11/11. If you want to enter, you need to have your beers in the Wednesday before.</p> <p>Scott mentioned doing a FOAM cider day. Bring your own apples to Bob's shop in Fitchburg on 10/14. Scott will send out an email with details on the apples.</p>
Treasurer's Report:	\$851.99
Webmaster's Report:	Website is status quo.
Raffle Winner:	Matt S. Congrats, Matt!
Quaff Quote:	<i>"A man who lies about beer makes enemies."</i> Stephen King
Adjourned:	8:10 p.m.