

Washoe Zephyr Zymurgists

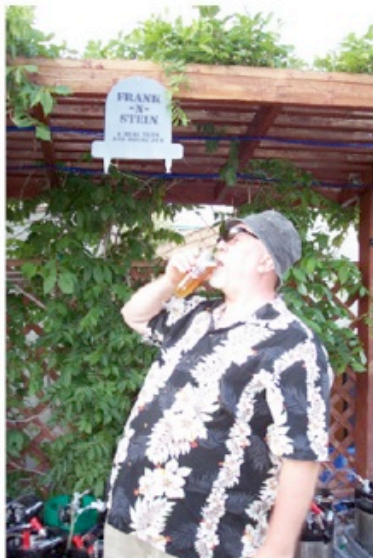
The Homebrew Club for the greater Reno, Washoe Valley, Truckee Meadows region

A Monthly Newsletter

July 2008

Glitch 'N Stein

First things first... To all of you out there that noticed there was a newsletter, an emergency newsletter at best, for June. My first hard drive crash in 20 years of computing made it impossible to do the newsletter, thanks to John for coming up with something. I apologize to Tom Baldwin for the problems and to Buckbean as we tried to get the notification out the best we could of both events.



You will now notice this is kind of a double issue, maybe issue and a half, but my PC is back up and running. Sorry for items that are now out of date, this is the only "new" page along with the pictures from Tom's Frank 'N Stein which I couldn't attend either due to a family emergency.

Moving on to better news, the Frank 'N Stein was as good as usual. From

reports I heard, Tom had an assortment of homebrew on tap and I'm sure they were all great, if you weren't able to make it just ask Tom how they were, he'll be glad to give you his opinion. Good job again Tom!! I'm looking forward to making it again next year.

Pizza Pizza Oven

I haven't received a lot of information from Joe Morandi for this month's meeting so I am assuming it will be closely related to the previous years pizza events. Joe and Lisa and the rest of their family will open their home to us so we can enjoy their pizza oven and their company. Bring your own gourmet toppings and Joe and Lisa will provide the basics, dough, sauce, etc. You can then build your own pizza masterpiece. If it's not such a masterpiece, well, who's fault is that?!

Hope to see you all there on July 19th, bring homebrew and any other dishes to share also. I'm looking forward to being there since I never seem to have made it yet, I'll be there this time!

Frank 'N Stein Pictures



Pictures Courtesy of Sabine McCowen

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BBQ and LASSOES

Well, it wasn't quite horseshoes but it was a lot of fun. Last month's meeting introduced us to "Golf Lasso" which is kind of like horseshoes but with two golf balls tied to a rope. You had to be there. As usual at Dave and Barb's, we all had a great time. Dave installed a new waterfall in the backyard which is beautiful and the weather cooperated, a perfect meeting.

Brother Tom forced some of his homebrew down our throats, just kidding, along with some other members who brought some homebrew and some assorted commercial beers. There was plenty of BBQ foods and assorted finger foods to keep us from being too famished

from the big lasso tournament. Thanks again to Dave and Barb for hosting again this year, a nice turnout and two very hospitable hosts. See you next year and other meeting too!!

FRANK 'N STEIN

One reason for the delay this month is the June meeting, hosted by Tom Baldwin. As of this writing I have little to very little information. I will update on the last page as soon as I get the info and the newsletter will be complete. I know it is June 21st, in a cul-de-sac, in Sparks. There, now you know as much as I do. Tom had a judging in the San Francisco area last weekend and we forgot to cover the details before this time. I'm sure we'll be fine...

WZZ NEWS

The May business part of the meeting was even less formal, there was none conducted. I will cover some other items that are coming up and recent news.

Coming up:

Buckbean's

Grand Opening is June 14 from 11 AM to 9 PM to celebrate having the Black Noddy Lager and the Original Orange Blossom Ale in cans. There will be complimentary food, cooking demos by Jennifer Bushman, a live remote by KTHX, beer floats with Tahoe Creamery from 2 to 6 and the Battle Born Derby Demons will be on hand.

2nd Annual WZZ Pedalpalooza and Poker Run

The 1st was so much fun we decided to do it again. Tentatively scheduled for Saturday August 9th, 10 am. This years route will be as follows: Reno Homebrewer-BJ's Brewery-Buckbean Brewery-Great Basin Brewery-Silver Peak Brewery-Reno Homebrewer. I'm still working on getting the breweries involved, somehow. We have the ride and the poker run anyway.



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Monthly Fodder and Calendar

NCHF ANNOUNCEMENT

Come and enjoy the 11th annual Northern California Homebrew Festival (NCHF), Northern California's ONLY Homebrewers' Festival! Taste and share quality homebrewed beers from clubs around California and beyond!

Located in the Sierra Nevada Foothills, Lake Francis Resort is a pristine campground resort with vast shading pines and lakeside beauty. Lake Francis has deluxe campground sites for tents, full hookup RV's, as well as a variety of Cabins. Other amenities include multiple free hot showers, flush toilets, large swimming pool, camp store, BBQ pits, full service restaurant, Saloon, game room, Lake swimming, Lake fishing, horseshoes and more.

Due to the increase in Lake Francis prices, we have had to increase the cost of the festival.

This year's theme is the British Isles, and it is shaping up to be loaded with fun. Here is a taste of what NCHF has in store:

The Friday Brewers Dinner has become one of the highlights of the NCHF. Every year, Chef Sean Paxton organizes a multi-course dinner within the festival's theme, which is created and paired with some of the best California micro and homebrews.

Dinner reservations must be made and paid for in advance. Register early as the number of seats available this year has been reduced.

Bring your guitar, harmonica or tambourine and join the jam band Saturday night (no accordions please)™.

The afternoon offers talks by nationally known speakers from the professional and amateur circles. Past speakers have included Fritz Maytag, Fred Eckhardt, Byron Burch, Fal Allan (AVBC), Ken Grossman (Sierra Nevada BC), and the late Dr. George Fix.

Speakers this year will feature the Head brewer of Stone Brewing Company. *(Speakers are subject to change).*

In keeping with this year's theme, the annual NCHF keg competition will feature two styles:

Irish Red

Scotch Wee Heavy

Clubs can enter their beer in the competition up to 11 AM on Saturday. Judging is by popular vote, open to all festival participants, begins at noon, and finishes at 4 PM. There will also be a panel of judges to decide best of show among the winners of the two styles.

A club can enter 1 beer in each category. Corny KEGS ONLY - CO₂, tap and Cooling vessel must be submitted with entry, sorry no exceptions. Buy some raffle tickets and try your luck at some great NCHF raffle prizes. Past raffles have ranged from Grain to Getaways - Pens to Private tours - Hops to Hotel Rooms - Glasses to

Growlers - Games to Gift Certificates - Bottle Openers to Bottle Cappers!

Also available for purchase are commemoratives and other logo merchandise.

Friday - If you are not attending the Brewers Dinner, there is The PALACE RESTAURANT, or you can cook at your campsite. You may need to make reservations at the Palace Restaurant.

Saturday - The NCHF has options for Fest Day food.

Our annual NCHF Theme Potluck Saturday, where Clubs can bring food to complement their beer offerings.

The Palace Restaurant will be open for Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner during the festival. There will be no separate Meal Plan offered this year, as in years past.

Tent or RV Camping is included with Festival Registration for both Friday and Saturday nights. There is no exception to this policy.

We encourage you to register on-line at www.nchfinfo.org. This year you will be able to pay using paypal or your credit card.

Cabins must be reserved in advance and are in addition to festival registration. See the registration form for detailed instructions for RV, tent, or cabin camping. Registration questions: email Lisa Gros at lgros@bigfoot.com.

Calendar of Events

- ◆ July 19th, Joe and Lisa Pizza and Beer!!
- ◆ August 9th, 2nd Annual WZZ Pedalpalooza bike ride and poker run
- ◆ August Meeting, John and Marlene's, Dead White Guys
- ◆ September 19-20, NCHF at Lake Francis resort near Grass Valley, CA
- ◆ September 27th, WZZ 3rd Annual Oktoberfest

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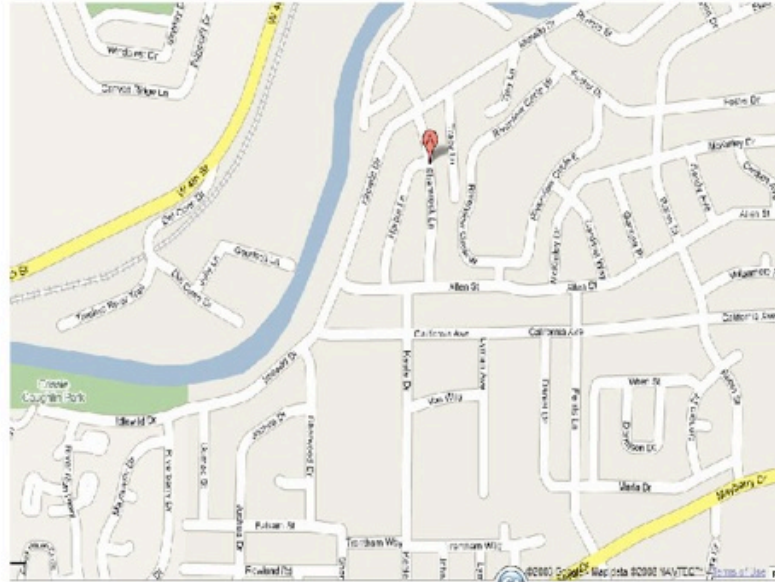
JOE AND LISA'S PIZZA AND BEER
BRING YOUR BEST HOMEBREW TO SHARE ALONG
WITH TOPPINGS FOR PIZZA, JOE AND LISA PROVIDE
THE DOUGH AND SAUCE FOR COOKING IN THEIR
WOODFIRED PIZZA OVEN.

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Saturday July 19th

6 pm



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