

SOCIETY OF NORTHEAST OHIO BREWERS

APRIL 2020 CLUB NEWSLETTER

Hi everyone! I apologize for the pared-down newsletter, but I wanted to get a lot of info in here as clearly as I could. As you know, it seems that most everything is cancelled. That includes most SNOB happenings. Here are the details:

1) April Meeting: Cancelled

This was the American Ales style meeting. We are working with the people who brewed beer to see if it's feasible to do this again when we start back up. All future meetings should be considered cancelled until further notice.

2) SNOBs Night Out: Cancelled

SNOBs nights out are cancelled until further notice.

3) AHA Competition: Cancelled

You should have already gotten information about this if you had entries or were signed up to judge. Here are all the details

(https://www.homebrewersassociation.org/from-the-director/first-round-cancellation-due-to-corona virus-covid-19/).

4) Beer No Sweat: Cancelled

If you already paid us for the trip, we will be working with you for your refund. If you already booked, please do not forget to call the hotel and cancel your room.

5) Big Brew: Possibly Still On

Ok, so here's good news. We are working with Terrestrial to see if this is still a possibility. If so, we might not be able to participate in the brewing process but rather pick up the wort one person at a time, most likely at scheduled times while keeping up social distancing. Basically, it would be like filling a really big growler of really underattenuated beer. Please respond to this email and let me know if you are still interested in this.

6) We Need Your Photos!

In not-Coronavirus news, we need your photos! Judy is putting together a slide show for the 30th anniversary party. If you have any good SNOBs photos, email them to her at <u>jbcourte@gmail.com</u>. As much as possible, include who is in the picture, an approximate date, and the event the picture was taken at.

7) Virtual Meet-ups?

Finally, if anyone has any ideas how we could do any virtual meet-ups let me know! I had an idea of doing a virtual "SNOBs Night Out" by picking a brewery to support. People get a to-go container of beer from a specific brewery on a specific day, and then we "meet up" in some way. Any thoughts or interest?

That's it for now. Don't forget to check out Jay's krausening on the next page!

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Dear SNOBs,

It's enough to make you want to drink ...

I know that we're all doing our parts to stay isolated and it's what we need to do, but I am really missing our regular schedule of activities and the comradery that comes with it. I hope this newsletter finds you and your families safely at home and healthy. Who among us would ever have thought that words and terminology like 'quarantine' and 'shelter-in-place' would have become part of our everyday language?

Like everything else, the coronavirus has affected life as we know it. Whenever this does pass and it's safe to gather again, we will resume our normal activities. So far we've lost our big competition of the year with the NHC First Round having been cancelled. We've also been forced to forgo our Beer, No Sweat bus trip to Pittsburgh. Neither will be re-scheduled. I am still holding out hope that we will be able get in the Big Brew, SNOBtoberfest, the 30th Anniversary Celebration and our Christmas party. We will assuredly have plenty to celebrate and drink to after we make it through this.

I was also really looking forward to April's meeting. Seven SNOBs had brewed beers for it and Collision Bend had agreed to choose one of them for a collaboration brew. Hopefully the beers that a number of us brewed for that meeting will still be good to drink and the brewers will not have consumed it all before we do get back together next.

I'm also hopeful that we will eventually be able to get back into having Night's Out without feeling nervous about going out in public. I feel badly for the breweries and restaurants and their brewers and servers. Please support them as well as you can using their carry out and growler options. We all need to eat and drink, so please buy local when you can. We need to support our brewing community and help keep it vibrant.

The best thing we can do for now is to stay in and eliminate chances for this thing to spread. Hang in there SNOBs and wash your hands often. Keep in mind that Star San is not on the EPA's list of disinfectants for use against coronavirus. We'll get back to our regularly scheduled programing as soon it's safe. I know we're all looking forward to that.

Cheers,

Jay





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Membership Dues

SINGLE MEMBER DUES ARE \$30. COUPLES ARE \$50 AND AS IS STATED IN THE BY-LAWS, DUAL MEMBERSHIPS ARE ONLY FOR PEOPLE LIVING AT THE SAME ADDRESS. PAY UP YOU CHEAPSKATES! THE MEMBERSHIP FORM CAN BE FOUND AT THE

END OF THE NEWSLETTER. DUES CAN BE PAID TO JESSICA AT THE NEXT MEETING, MAILED TO HER AT THE ADDRESS ON THE FORM OR BY USING OUR PAYPAL LINK AT <u>BEERSNOBS.ORG</u>

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