

Ames Brewers League meeting July 10th, 2018 (Second Tuesday of the Month, Torrent Brewing)

Secretary was absent.

Business

Iowa State Fair – Information from Mark Simpson

It is July already, I hope everyone had a great 4th. July brings the beer and wine judging for the Iowa State Fair. As always, we try to keep this a fun contest and we can always use all the help we can get. This is a great competition for new judges and stewards. There will be coffee and doughnuts before judging and lunch provided for the volunteers. Volunteers will also receive a fair ticket and a parking pass. We will be pairing inexperienced judges with experienced judges so come on out even if you are new to this. Stewarding is a great way to learn more about craft beer and is open to anyone who would like to help. Here is the schedule of the events. Please let me know if you are able to help.

Saturday July 21st – Check in day. I could use a couple people to help out to check in the dropped off entries from 2:00 – 4:00 in the afternoon at the Elwood Family Center.

Friday July 27th – Flight set up. We will be unpacking all the shipped entries and setting flights starting about 4pm. I could use a couple extra hands to get everything set up.

Saturday July 28th – Wine judging. We would like to get started about 9. We will also be judging some beers to make Sunday more manageable. We can use stewards and judges for both beer and wine

Sunday July 29th – Beer judging. Same drill, we would like to start about 9. I don't know how many entries there are yet, but we are normally done about 3 or so.

Help spread the word if you can. If anyone has access to the IBU and ABL groups, please forward this along. With the hiatus of the RRBA meetings, it will be a good opportunity to see everyone again. I hope you can make it out. The more help we have the easier it goes.

Style of the Month Competition: American Beers

1st place receives 3 points, 2nd place receives 2 points, and 3rd place receives 1 point. Entrants who don't place receive ½ point. Point totals will determine the League's Brewer of the Year.

3 entries:

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| 1. Specialty IPA: Red IPA (21F) | 1 st Place – Pete Crow |
| 2. Spice, Herb, or Vegetable Beer (30A, Base American Amber Ale (1C)) | 2 nd Place – Pete Crow |
| 3. American Amber Ale (19A) | 3 rd Place – Jay |

Other participants: None

Current Running Point Standings:

Pete Crow	17.5
Luke Hoekstra	7
Sebastian Speer	6.5
Ron Nelson	6
Neal Kaloupek	3
Nadov Mer	1.5
Zach Landhuis	1.5
Jay	1.5
Mike	1
Andy Curtis	1
Chase Colton	1
Jack	.5