



THE MONTHLY MASH

A Newsletter For Dozers

Important Upcoming Dates:

World Cup of Beer Entry Deadline	MAR 08
Mayfaire Entry Deadline	MAR 27
March DOZE Club Meeting	MAR 31
AHA NHC 1st Round Entry Deadline	APR 11
SF International Beer Festival	APR 26
BoontBeer Fest	MAY 10

EJ Phair pours a very familiar Double IPA



Unless you've been living in a cave for many months, it should be old news that our very own Mike McDole took Best of Show for the 2007 Samuel Adams Longshot competition. Judged against 1700+ entries, Mike's Double IPA rose to the top becoming one of the judges' selections for the 2008 six-pack of winners (also including Rodney Kibzey's Weizenbock and a Grape Ale from Lili Hess).

Unfortunately, Mike's beer will not be included in the 2008 winners' six-pack. As yet another repercussion to this year's widely reported hop shortage, Sam Adams was unable to secure the 7 West Coast hops used in Mike's recipe. Per an agreement between Mike and Jim Koch, his Double IPA will be included in the 2009 six-pack. Always thinking, Mike asked if a few kegs from the pilot brew could be shipped to Concord for a local

celebration. Sam Adams agreed, and a party quickly followed. EJ Phair in Concord kindly hosted a celebration in Mike's honor on Feb 21st, with plenty of Double IPA on tap. A Sam Adams representative and promotions manager were on hand to assist in the congratulations and offered lots of Sam Adams schwag. DOZERS showed up in force, and a good time was had by all. Congratulations Mike, we're all looking forward to 2009.



Sport your DOZER pride with club gear:

The official "don't leave home without 'em" DOZE tie-dye shirts are still available. Shirts are available at MoreBeer or club meetings for \$20.

Plain colored tees, golf shirts, sweatshirts and other club schwag is also available online at: <http://cafepress.com/doze>

Dozer Bus Trip: Join us at Boonville

The 12th Annual BoontBeer-Fest will be held on May 10, at the Mendocino County Fairgrounds. Breweries from all over the West Coast are

their beers in a fun and relaxing outdoor setting. All profits from the festival are donated to local non profit organizations. One low price pays your admission to the festival where there are no tokens, no tickets, and no pay-per-sample requirements. Simply wear the wristband provided and enjoy all the sampling you wish during open tap hours. Admission fees include wristband, music, and beer sampling.

this legendary event, but hurry as tickets sell out quickly. Bus tickets are \$23, plus your festival admission (get tix at <http://avbc.com>). Bus tickets are currently on sale at DOZE meetings or at MoreBeer. The Bus will leave at 10:00am sharp...be on time or be left in the parking lot! And be sure to wear your DOZE shirts.



invited to show off (and pour!)

DOZE has chartered a bus to



AHA Club Competitions

Scott Lothamer (*yep that's Doctor Scott to DOZERS*), our winner of the DOZE Club Only Competition for Dark Lagers, went on to place third in the National Club Only Competition. DOZE is primed for 2008 with a solid 8 points, and more good things to come.



Our February meeting featured the judging for the Perfect Porter Club Only entries. Setting an all time record, an amazing 13 entries were judged! Way to go DOZERS, keep brewing strong and keep the entries coming. The judges were impressed, though not surprised by the quality of porters submitted. 13 entries were narrowed to 3 for a mini Best of Show round. Places are listed below:

1st Place, **Jon Plise** - Robust Porter
2nd Place, **Dan Sherman** - Robust Porter
3rd Place, **Scott Thomas** - Robust Porter

Congratulations to Jon, who will represent DOZE in the national judging to take place in April.

The next AHA Club Only Competition is for extract beer. Entries must be made with at least 50% extract, and can be any style. **Entries will be judged at our March meeting.**

Competition Corner

We've discussed the many benefits of competition regularly at club meetings. If you would like feedback on your beers, tips for improving, or just want to see how your beer stacks up against others then you are in luck as the competition season is in full swing. There are several upcoming events with local judging which means no shipping fees and the opportunity to attend some of the events:

World Cup of Beer, Berkeley CA - Run by BAM, this is an excellent local event. Entries are due 3/8 at MoreBeer.

Mayfaire, Woodland Hills CA - Run by the Maltose Falcons, this is the first of 3 events culminating in the California Homebrewer of the Year award. Entries are 3/27 due at Morebeer.

AHA Club Only Comp - The March/April style is any extract beer. DOZE will judge entries at our 3/31 meeting with the winner representing the club in the national judging.

There are many other competitions, far too many to mention here but a comprehensive list of AHA approved events can be found here: http://www.bjcp.org/apps/comp_schedule/competition_schedule.php

Cheers
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Vivat Na zdrowie
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Choc-tee
Budem
Afya
Mabuhay
Sanda bashi
Salute
Ba'sal'a'ma'ti



Brewer Spotlight

Who? **Jesse Warren**
Years brewing: 1.5
Favorite style: IPA

Many of us know Jesse as the helpful guy behind the MoreBeer counter, more than willing to

discuss ingredients or to help you locate that missing piece of hardware to make your brew system complete. But on top of that Jesse is a serious brewer, knocking down 2 to 8 brews per week! It's probably no surprise that he brews on a B3

1550 brew sculpture, but when asked for some tidbits we might not know he just laughed and said, "I used to drink Budweiser before I started homebrewing." Jesse's favorite aspect of homebrewing is "fire and stainless," two things he spends a lot of time around with a brew schedule like his. When not brewing or working at B3, you can find Jesse firmly planted atop a skateboard with his favorite beverage in hand (taking care of his other favorite pastime...drinking beer).

