

January 21, 2025

We had 13 mobsters (and guests) at Sigler's Craft Beer. Thanks to all who attended the meeting.

Here is a recap of the meeting.

- Competitions
 - Club Competition - BeCaffeinated—Tom Watson—Coffee-Beer Collaboration with BeCaffeinated Coffee. This will be a Club Contest held in February. Get your thinking caps on and figure out what style of beer you want to make with coffee.
 - Competitions showing on the MidSouth Series site for 2025.
<https://midsouthbrewer.com/>
 - BOCK (Bluegrass Cup) - 2/8/2025 **CLOSED**
 - Bluff City entries accepted through 2/22/25 **CLOSED**
 - Peach State Brew Off - 3/22/2025 - *More info on shipping deadlines soon.*
 - North Georgia Homebrew Competition - TBD
 - Kentucky State Fair - TBD Expected 8/2025
 - Fugetaboutit - TBD Expected 9/2025
 - Music City Brewoff - TBD Expected 10/2025
 - New South Brew Off - TBD Expected 10/2025
 - Mid State Brewing Competition - TBD Expected 12/2025
- Officer's Corner
 - \$3009.44 Total in the coffers as of today.
 - 2025 Club Dues Payable on the website (Individual \$36.50/Family \$46.50)
 - Communications in the club. The new email service is up and running. You should be receiving emails from secretary@barleymob.com (and other @barleymob.com addresses).
 - Group emails can be sent to brewers@barleymob.com and will go to all members who have accepted the group request.
- Upcoming Events
 - 2025:
 - Limiting club events due to lack of participation.
 - Two Market events - Chattanooga Beer Fest (May 24, 2025) & Oktoberfest (Date TBD)
 - Check Barley Mob Calendar for up-and-coming events
 - https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=dpnvvr2ijlnhgkjin3g57s5c%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America%2FNew_York

New Business

- Still in talks about the bulk grain buy. Lang is working with multiple suppliers.

- Chattanooga Whiskey reached out about a barrel donation to Barley Mob. The officers are meeting with Chattanooga Whiskey to discuss this further.
- In July or August, Tom may have honey to sell.

Next Meeting - 2/18/2025 - Be Caffeinated - Northshore Location, 14 W. Kent Street, Chattanooga, TN - Bottle Share - Because Be Caffeinated typically closes at 6 pm, our semi-private event is not limited by licensing limitations. Bring your beers from home or any commercial beers/etc. that you have found impressive or interesting.

Coffee Beer Contest

What - Coffee Beer Contest featuring BeCaffeinated coffee

When - February Meeting, 18 Feb 2025

Where - Be Caffeinated, Northshore Location, 14 W. Kent Street, Chattanooga, TN

Who - Barley Mob and members of BeCaffeinated staff, specifically Luke Pigott - head coffee roaster.

Time - No Later than 6:30! Arrive as early as 6:00 pm.

Beer Contest Rules

1. You must use BeCaffeinated coffee. The coffee is donated to Barley Mob brewers as either whole beans or liquid coffee concentrate. Whole beans were distributed at the December meeting, and liquid coffee concentrate was distributed at the January meeting. Thank you, Andy, for running out to pick up some Mason Jars for the crew last night. Tom W. still has two of the 8oz bags of whole bean coffee if anyone still wants to join in.
2. Beer can be any base style, but brewer must declare base style per BJCP guidelines for SHV beers, Cat 30A is typical, but is not limited to that category. Consider 30D, Specialty Spice Beers would also be a valid category.
3. This is a **three-bottle** contest. Two bottles will be used by Barley Mob judges to determine the top three beers, and one bottle will be used by Be Caffeinated staff to evaluate the best coffee character. There will be a total of four awards. A brewer can win two awards. Beer Win/Place/Show Awards will be Medals. The Coffee Expression Award will be a gift certificate from Beverage World.
4. ** Please label your beers using the SCP_BottleID.pdf form found [HERE](#). Attach labels with rubber bands to each bottle. If you have a problem downloading the file, let Ritchie know and he can send it to you directly.
5. We need folks to be on time for the meeting to submit their beers and to be evaluated.

More Fun Stuff - Specifically Bottle Share

1. The Be Caffeinated location has two gathering areas;
 1. Covered/plastic enclosed/heated area
 2. Covered, but open area. The enclosed heated area will be used for judging.

2. Bottle Share - While the judging is going on, the open area can be used for bottle sharing. Because Be Caffeinated typically closes at 6 pm, our semi-private event is not limited by licensing limitations. Bring your beers from home or any commercial beers/etc. that you have found impressive or interesting.
3. Once judging is complete. We can bring both groups together in the heated area for awards and continued celebration.

If you have questions about the club contest, contact Tom Watson (twatson934@bellsouth.net) or the Secretary account.