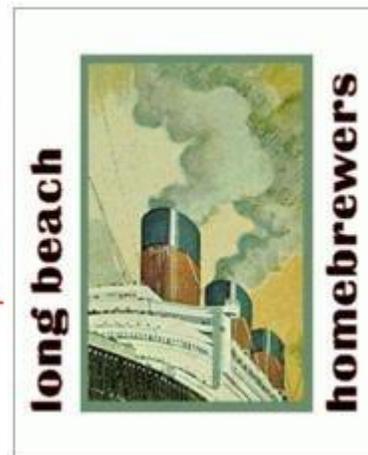


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Next Meeting

Tuesday, October 10
at 7 pm. At

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President's Message

Greetings Fellow Homebrewers,

Happy October,

Right off the bat – congrats everyone for the awesome showing at Pacific Brewer's Cup, once again we defended our high point club title and club members brought home a total fourteen medals including six gold, four silver, four bronze and an honorable mention. Congratulations and great work to all the brewers. I also noticed that the points awarded for entering Pac Cup has had a lot of influence on the HBOY standings, I look forward to the November meeting and trying all of the Marzens Can Derek defend his crown?

I was also very pleased to see a lot of members Stewarding and Judging at this year's PacCup. Over the next few months I'd like to continue making a push for getting more members to become BJCP certified judges. In a future newsletter, I'm planning on putting together an article on the steps you need to take to become a certified beer judge. I'm personally planning on trying to reach National status over the next year or so. I'm also hoping to have another off-flavors class in the near future. If you have any interest in this, please let me know.

Finally, we have multiple events coming up over the next couple months. First, on October 28th, the annual Halloween party will once again be held at the Smith's home, costumes required! On November 11th the 2nd annual WeLoveLongBeach homebrewer's festival will once again be held. I know there will be a large club presence, with six of the 25 beers being served by club members. I'm sure Andi will have more info and tickets are currently on sale. Finally, once again, the Gansen's have offered their home for the annual club Holiday party. It will be held on Saturday, January 13th 2018, details to follow closer to the date.

Beyond that, I look forward to trying everyone's Sour beers at the next meeting. Don't forget the Tums!

Happy Brewing,
Ray

2017 Monthly Style Schedule

Month	Comp Month	Style or theme
October		Intentionally Sour
November	Final	Marzen - 6A
December		Beers with spices / Holiday beers

Tastings at the September meeting (5 Minute Beers)

Person	Beer
Ray Grace	Lime Cucumber Gose
Jon Silvertooth	IPA (Mr. Beer)
Thomas	Doppelbock
Eddie	Apricot Ale
Ijaz Hakim	Dark 5 minute beer

Other Beers:

Person	Beer
Dennis	Strawberry Ale
Jim	Belgian Oatmeal Stout

2018 Monthly Style Schedule

By Jon Silvertooth

We have assembled the monthly styles and themes for 2018. Below is each month and it's corresponding style or theme:

Month	Comp Month	Style or theme
January		Beers Without Hops (Gruit, etc...)
February	1st	English Dark Mild (2015 BJCP Style 13A)
March		Any Stout
April		SCHF Bragging Rights Style
May	2nd	NE (Hazy) IPA (No official BJCP listing)
June		Any fermentable beverage except beer
July		Anything America
August	3rd	Saison (2015 BJCP 25B)
September		Beers with at least 50% wheat
October		Fall/Winter Seasonals
November	Final	Schwarzbier (2015 BJCP 8B)
December		Smoked Beers

Details for each month can be found on the website:

- <http://www.longbeachhomebrewers.com/tasting.php>

We are also adding one more way to earn points towards homebrewer of the year in 2018: Using the same point rules as the Pacific Brewers Cup, we are also going to award points for entering and placing in the 2018 Red White and Brews.

Full HBOY rules and standings are available on the website as well:

- <http://www.longbeachhomebrewers.com/hboy.php>

Oktoberfest 2017 in Southern California by George Eldridge

Everyone in Germany knows that Oktoberfest runs from the middle of September to the first weekend in October, 16 to 18 days.

But in the US the Oktoberfest starts at the end of September and runs the entire month of October! After all, if you call it “Oktoberfest” then it must be all about October.

Not really. It is actually about the marriage of prince Ludwig to the princess Therese of SaxeHildburghausen on October 12, 1810. There was a great celebration for the wedding and the people decided to repeat the celebration the next year. And the next year. And the next year...

In Southern California there are many places to celebrate Oktoberfest. Many feel that the Phoenix Club is the most authentic since the Phoenix Club is the gathering place of members interested in German, Austrian and Swiss culture and language.

Here is a list of the many venues offering Oktoberfest activities which include drinking beer:

The Phoenix Club: <http://www.thephoenixclub.com/oktoberfest/>

Old World Huntington Beach: <http://www.oldworld.ws/>

Torrance Alpine Village: <http://www.alpinevillagecenter.com/oktoberfest/>

Big Bear: <http://bigbearevents.com/oktoberfest/>

Lake Arrowhead: <http://www.lakearrowheadoktoberfest.com/>

Pomona: <http://fairplex.com/events/oktoberfest>

This is not an exhaustive list, but hey, there is the Internet!