

# WORTHOG REVIEW

June 2002



## President's Message

Judging by the reactions we got from the crowd, the "Hogs in the Bog" looks like it will remain as an annual event. We had 45 members sign in, and 5 new members join. Thanks to Trevor Jones for being our brewer. We had a lot of public interest, and good questions from the crowd. I think we will see several new brewers in the area. Thanks also goes to all those who brought out beer to share with our visitors. The proof is in the "pudding", as the saying goes, and the beers we had certainly made good impressions.



Most importantly, I want to thank everyone for pitching in at the end so we could leave John's business in good shape for his Saturday night customers. You all showed a lot of class, and John told me that he would love to host it again next year.

The planning and execution of the meetings and events continues to be my focus, and that makes finding time for the newsletter all that much harder. I really could use some help in this area. If you can spare 1 evening per month for the club, I would really appreciate your stepping up as newsletter editor for the remainder of the year. The editor collects items from the members and pastes them into the template we use. No special knowledge or tools are necessary. I also would like to receive more contributions in the form of articles for future editions. Share your tips, recipes, jokes, or latest brewing stories with the rest of us.

I apologize to those who did not receive the last edition (copy attached in case you didn't get it). Apparently my Internet Service Provider ate some of the addresses and didn't tell me that some of you didn't get it. I found out from people at the meeting, which was too late to do anything about it. This month, I am sending it out via work, where I have a direct connection.



## Pub Crawl:

The pub crawl is on for this Saturday, June 29th. We will be leaving from Butterfield's promptly at 8:00 AM (with breakfast burritos)

Robert has a full day planned that includes Sacramento Brewing, Kelly Brothers, and at least one new stop on the trip. There is still space available, so if you haven't paid for a seat already, show up early!

## Fresno Fair

The Fair has not published the book yet so we don't have much in the way of new information. The rules remain the same as last year and we will be using the BJCP 1999 Styles Guidelines. Randy doesn't know the dates for entry yet. Start brewing and stay tuned!

## Next Meeting

The next meeting will be July 27<sup>th</sup> at Russ Pipo's house. This is our annual pool party, so dig out those Speedos and practice your cannon balls! As always, bring your beers and finger foods. We will be looking for American Lagers to enter in the club only competition.

## **Directions:**

Russ is at 4134 N Maroa, which is the South East corner of Buckingham and Maroa. Buckingham is one block south of Ashlan.

From Hwy. 41, take Ashlan Avenue West to Maroa. Turn left on Maroa, then left on Buckingham. Roll your window down and listen for the music and laughter. You won't miss it!

## **Hogs on High**

We are still planning to hold our August meeting high in the Sierra. Ron McIlroy has agreed to help coordinate this event. After much research he has found Midge Creek Group campground. This is just up Kaiser Pass Rd. from Huntington Lake on Midge Creek. This is a group site that accommodates 50 people and 20 vehicles. We are scheduling it for Friday the 23rd and Saturday the 24th of August. Plan to join us for a full day for brewing (and partying) at 8200'. If time is limited you can come up for just Saturday if you wish. We will be planning group breakfasts and dinners, so let us know when and how many you are bringing.

## **Calendar of Events**

*(details will be updated as available)*

### June 29

Sacramento area Pub Crawl -  
\$75 per person, limited to 46 people

### July 27

Pool party meeting at Russ Pipo's House

### August 10

Bus trip to The Small Brewers Fest in Mountain View \$50 PP (bus & admission), limited to 34

### August 23-25

Hogs on High Mountain brew outing.

### September

Fresno Fair judging

### October 26

Black Tie & Beer – at The Depot in Visalia, a TCHOPS event involving Arts and Beer

### October

Hogtoberfest 2002

Brewer: Kevin Draughon

### November

Stern Grove California State Homebrew Competition

The following is a list of all the **AHA Club-Only** competitions for 2002 – plan your brewing accordingly. We will be having competitions at our monthly meetings to determine the brews selected for entry into these competitions:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Style</u>	<u>BJCP Cat. #</u>
August	American Lager	1
Sept./Oct.	Strong Belgian Ale	18
Nov./Dec.	Fruits & Veggies	21,22

## **Festivals**

### July 20

5<sup>th</sup> Annual Great El Dorado BBQ, Brews and Blues Festival, Reno, NV 800-648-5966  
[www.eldoradorenno.com](http://www.eldoradorenno.com)

### July 26

Oregon Brewers Festival, Portland, OR,  
[www.oregonbrewfest.com](http://www.oregonbrewfest.com), 503-778-5917

### August 10 & 11

Small Brewers Festival at The Tied House,  
Mountain View [www.smallbrewersfest.com](http://www.smallbrewersfest.com)

### August

\*IPA Festival at The Bistro, Hayward

### October 3

Great American Beer Festival, Denver, CO,  
303-447-0816, [www.beertown.org](http://www.beertown.org)

### October 5 & 6

San Pedro Square Brew Ha Ha , San Jose

## **Don't leave home without it !**

1. **Beer** – homebrew or commercial
2. **Food** if you want to eat
3. **Recipes** of that great beer you brought so you can share it or get help with it
4. **Ice Chest** – please – small or large for your bottles or kegs, and a little ice
5. **Beer Glass** – your favorite one that is a little different so when you lose it you can find it
6. **Money** or checkbook for the great things we raffle off
7. **Nametag** so we know who you are
8. **Notepad and pencil** to write down names and phone numbers and that recipe or bit of advise you know you must remember

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