

April 2007



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## **Next Meetings**

May 19, 2007

Keith Beene's House

2688 Goshen

Clovis, CA

June

To Be Announced

**San Joaquin Worthogs**

<http://www.sjworthogs.org>

# San Joaquin Valley

# Worthog Review

## **Last Meeting**

The meeting was held at Ed Amerson's house. We had turnout with about 20-25 people in attendance and a half dozen or more great homebrews on tap.

It was a very HOT! Day. Fresno broke a record with 98 degrees. Don't know why this always happens at Ed's house...

Ed and friends handled the brewing demo and the BBQ which was outstanding. Those Jalapeño sticks caused everyone to drink more beer.

Thanks to Ed for hosting the meeting.

Kevin was not at the meeting and we did not receive a fly by from Fresno County's finest.

## **What to bring to meetings:**

- Yourself and anyone who's interested in beer and brewing.
- Beer to share. (Homebrew or store-bought craft brew and imports).
- Food to share. (Chili, things to throw on the grill, sides dishes, etc.).
- Good vibes to share.
- Money for raffle tickets, dues (\$25.) and/or non-member entry (\$5.).
- Pen and paper for recipes and phone numbers.

***Please Drink and Drive Responsibly !***

## **Next Meeting**

No club only competitions until the July meeting. Start thinking about brewing an award winning Strong Ale and bring it to the July meeting.

Keith's house is located East off of Temperance, two blocks north of HWY 168.

We don't currently have any information about whether or not there is going to be a brewing demo. We will notify you by email if there is going to be one.

All-grain Demo - ???

Club Business - 1:00 pm ???

Brewing Information - 1:00 pm ???



## **BREWING IN THE SIERRA'S CAMPING TRIP**

- Will take place on August 10<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> at the Fir Group Site located off of highway 180 on Stoney Creek (will get everyone directions in the May or June edition).
- The site can accommodate a maximum of 100 people.
- 30 vehicle parking spaces are available.
- Pot luck group dinner on Saturday - Breakfast and lunch, on your own.
- Decomposition pit toilets.
- Potable water from faucets.
- Less than a mile from store and showers.
- People encouraged to bring their brewing equipment.



## **ADDITIONAL NEWS**

- The next local AHA membership rally will be on June 2<sup>nd</sup> at Firestone Brewing in Paso Robles. This was a great event last year. Doc's Cellar homebrew shop, Beer, Beer and More Beer will conduct a homebrewing demonstration, Author of "How to Brew" John Palmer will be present, bring your homebrew to share..The club or individual members may want to consider bringing some homebrew to this event? The entry fee is a years membership in the AHA and comes with a membership card good for discounts at participating pubs and a years subscription to Zymurgy magazine. There are photo's from last years rally available at the same place you view the meeting ones on Yahoo (see the link under LAST MEETING PHOTOS).

**Note: If you plan on attending the rally you will need to sign up on line. Go to <http://www.beertown.org/homebrewing/rally.html>.**

- There are a bunch of AHA homebrew competitions that are open to any homebrewer, so don't be shy and send your best in. A list of competitions can be found at <http://www.bjcp.org>. Just click on Competitions.
- Our renamed website is now available at <http://www.sjworthogs.org>.



**You know you're a homebrewer if....**

You own a stock-pot big enough to bathe in.



## CLUB MEMBER INPUT NEEDED

If any member has a tip, event, etc. that they would like to share with your fellow club members, please forward to [dave\\_decker@comcast.net](mailto:dave_decker@comcast.net) or [Jason\\_decker6@yahoo.com](mailto:Jason_decker6@yahoo.com) . Photo's also accepted from any of the meetings.



## LAST MEETING PHOTOS

Meeting photos will no longer be included in the newsletter due to their large size.

To view the photo's please use the following link or cut and paste into your browser.

[http://new.photos.yahoo.com/album?c=dave.decker1&aid=576460762400619269&pid=&wtok=fgf1yKwK53cTBdnJvXx\\_zg--&ts=1178492756&.src=ph](http://new.photos.yahoo.com/album?c=dave.decker1&aid=576460762400619269&pid=&wtok=fgf1yKwK53cTBdnJvXx_zg--&ts=1178492756&.src=ph)

This link will take you to a photo album on Yahoo. You can double click on each photo for a larger view. These photo's can also be saved on your computer.



## 2007-2008 CLUB ONLY COMPETITIONS

### August 2007

#### **Strong Ale**

*Entry fee \$7.*

Hosted by Mike Heniff and the Foam Rangers of Houston, TX.

This competition covers BJCP Category 19 beer styles.

For more information, contact Mike Heniff at [Mike.Heniff@evalca.com](mailto:Mike.Heniff@evalca.com) .

### September/October 2007

#### **Bock**

*Entry fee \$7.*

Hosted by Larry Kemp and the Cap 'n' Hare Homebrew Club of Ft. Worth, TX.

This competition covers BJCP Category 5 beer styles.

For more information, contact Larry Kemp at [lke149@airmail.net](mailto:lke149@airmail.net) .

### November/December 2007

#### **Pilsner**

*Entry fee \$7.*

Hosted by Todd Crockett and the Gold Country Brewers Association of Orangevale, CA.

This competition covers BJCP Category 2 beer styles.

For more information, contact Todd Crockett at [toadlc@pacbell.net](mailto:toadlc@pacbell.net) .

### **January/February 2008**

#### **Dark Lagers**

*Entry fee \$7.*

Hosted by Susan Ruud and the Prairie Homebrewing Companions of Fargo, ND.

This competition covers BJCP Category 4 beer styles.

For more information, contact Susan Ruud at [Susan.Ruud@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:Susan.Ruud@ndsu.nodak.edu) .

### **March/April 2008**

#### **Perfect Porter Challenge**

*Entry fee \$7.*

Hosted by Ron Smith and the Foam Blowers of Indiana (FBI) of Indianapolis, IN.

This competition covers BJCP Category 12 beer styles.

For more information, contact Ron Smith at [RonSmith@MarketWiseSolutions.com](mailto:RonSmith@MarketWiseSolutions.com) .

### **May 2008**

#### **Extract Beers**

*Entry fee \$7.*

The host for this competition is available.

This competition covers All BJCP 2004 beer styles (Categories 1-23)\*. Extract must make up more than 50% of the fermentables.

For more information about hosting this or other Club-Only Competitions, contact Janis Gross at [janis@brewersassociation.org](mailto:janis@brewersassociation.org) .

### **August 2008**

#### **Mead**

*Entry fee \$7.*

Hosted by Al Boyce and the Minnesota Home Brewers Association of Edina, MN.

This competition covers BJCP Categories 24, 25, 26.

For more information, contact Al Boyce at [allan.boyce@usbank.com](mailto:allan.boyce@usbank.com) .

**September/October 2008**

**Imperial Anything**

*Entry fee \$7.*

Hosted by Fred Bonjour and the Clinton River Association of Fermenting Trendsetters (C.R.A.F.T.) of Macomb Township, MI.

This competition covers imperialized versions of all BJCP categories; you must state the imperialization of the beer (ABV, IBU, etc.) on the entry form.

For more information, contact Fred Bonjour at [homebrew@wideopenwest.com](mailto:homebrew@wideopenwest.com).