

3rd Annual Keg Ran Out Club World Brewers Forum Homebrew Competition

Judging - September 12th, 2009

Awards - September 24th, 2009

The **Keg Ran Out Club** of Broomfield, Colorado invites you to enter our Great American Beer Challenge homebrew competition to be held in conjunction with the 15th Annual KROC World Brewers Forum. This is the event to attend after the Thursday night session of the Great American Beer Festival.

Homebrew entries will be evaluated by experienced judges and all entries will receive score sheets and comments. Medals will be awarded for the top entries as detailed below, as well as for a Best of Show. This year's competition judging will be held at CB&Potts in Broomfield on September 12th, and the awards presented at the World Brewers Forum on September 24th at the Marriott City Center, Denver, CO.

Homebrew Competition Rules

The Competition is open to amateur homebrewers age 21 or older. All entries must be handcrafted products made using private equipment by hobbyist brewers (i.e., no use of commercial facilities or Brew on Premises operations, supplies, etc.).

Categories

All "American Style" BJCP categories will be grouped into flights based on number of entries, and medals will be awarded for the top three positions in each flight. Only entries in the categories and subcategories below will be accepted.

- 1 A, B, C (Lite, Standard and Premium American Light Lager)
- 2 C (Classic American Pilsner)
- 4 A (Dark American Lager)
- 6 A, B, D (Cream Ale, Blonde Ale, American Wheat or Rye)
- 7 B (California Common)
- 10 A, B, C (American Pale, Amber and Brown Ale)
- 12 B (Robust Porter)
- 13 E (American Stout)
- 14 B, C (American IPA, Imperial IPA)
- 19 C (American Barleywine)

Bottles

An entry shall consist of two (2) bottles, 10 - 22 ounce, preferably green or brown glass. Bottles must be clean of all paper, printed or enameled labels, label adhesive, misc. debris, or any other distinguishing features. Raised designs or brand names, clear glass, wire swing-top and oversized (22 oz. or champagne) bottles **are acceptable**, though **discouraged**. Printed crown caps are acceptable but must be blacked out completely with black marker to assure anonymity. Bottles will not be returned to entrants.

Paperwork

Each bottle shall have a bottle identification form attached with a rubber band to facilitate collection of forms; glue and/or tape are unacceptable. A single recipe form must accompany each entry. ProMash entry forms are also accepted. Enter your beer according to the 2008 BJCP classifications -- a copy of these classifications is available on the bjcp.org website. Please fill out the top of the entry forms completely, but recipes are not required. Be meticulous about noting any special ingredients that **must** be specified per the BJCP Style Guidelines. Failure to note such ingredients will impact the judges' scoring of your entry.

(un)Limitations

Brewers are NOT limited to one entry per BJCP subcategory.

Entry Fees

An entry fee of \$5 per entry will be collected on all entries. Attach entry fee to the Entry and Recipe form. (Note: all KROC members' first entry is free.) Make checks payable to Keg Ran Out Club.

More Rules

All entries become Keg Ran Out Club property. Infractions of these rules may disqualify any entry. Disqualified beers may still be judged but will not be eligible for awards. The judges may decide to not award any or all places in any Category. The decision of the judges is final.

Where to Enter

Entries can be shipped, postage paid, by common carrier, or may be delivered in person to Beer at Home Westminster. Entries will be accepted starting September 1st, and until close of business on Thursday, September 10th at Beer at Home Westminster. Please have a check or the exact change attached to your recipe forms. All entries will be stored cool until the time of judging.

Beer at Home
1325 W. 121st Ave.
Westminster, CO 80234
(720) 872-9463

Entries may also be dropped off at (but not shipped to):

Beer at Home, 4393 S Broadway, Englewood, CO (303)789-3676
Hop To It, 2900 Valmont Rd. D2, Boulder, CO. (303) 444-8888
Stomp Them Grapes, 2563 15th St. Denver, CO (303) 433-6552
Hops & Berries, 125 Remington St., Fort Collins, CO, (970)493-2484

The Brew Hut, 15108 E. Hampden Ave., Aurora, CO (303)680-8898

from September 1st until 12:00 noon on September 10th, beers from these locations will be picked up at **noon** on September 10th.

Judging

Homebrew judging will be on Saturday, September 12th 2009. Judging sessions will be held at CB&Potts in Westminster Colorado, beginning at 1:00 pm. Judging information will be sent to area BJCP judges shortly. If you are not a registered BJCP judge, but would like to judge at the competition, please contact the Competition Coordinator, Ryan Thomas (ryan.thomas@mindbox.com). Stewards and apprentice judges are always welcome. Contact the Competition Coordinator above for details. Lunch will be provided for Judges and Stewards.

Awards Ceremony & Celebration

An awards ceremony will be held at the 15th Annual World Brewers Forum. Awards will be handed out to those in attendance and mailed to those not present. For more information see the KROC website at <http://kroc.org>.