

Minutes from 20 January, 2008

Meeting began at 1:20

Present:

Steve Edmonds

Rick Sommers

Steve Rannals

Brad Carson

Dave Bossie

Dick Gabler

Larry Lynch-Freshner

Chip Odom

Mia Bossie

Minutes from November were approved

Old Business:

- Sierra Nevada Field Trip –tentative dates set for March 29 & 30. Leaving Saturday AM in carpools, stopping at Blue Frog Brewery in Fairfield for lunch (<http://www.bigbluefrog.com/about.asp>), then on to Sierra Nevada in Chico for a personalized tour by Chris Baugh and dinner at the pub. On the way home Sunday we plan to stop at Sudwerk in Davis. Mark will be checking with all three

breweries to confirm availability for tours, group meals, etc. Steve Rannals is going to follow up on lodging options for Saturday night. This trip will only be open to club members (and partners).

- BJCP Class –John Watson did not respond to Mark's inquiry, so he will pursue bringing Kevin Pratt to Santa Cruz for the class series.

#### New Business:

- Lambic –there is some interest in doing a club brew of lambic. First order of business is securing a barrel. Dick Gabler has an old barrel that Mark & Larry will check out for usability. If it is not suitable, both Mia and Rick have some winemaking friends we can check with. Dick has offered to cellar the brew, and we understand that 7 Bridges has some old hops that should be suitable. Larry and Mark will do a presentation on lambics next month so we can all make an informed decision about participation.
- Upcoming meeting schedule:
  - Feb 24<sup>th</sup> –Dick's home in Boulder Creek, topic is lambics
  - March –field trip to Sierra Nevada
  - April –tentative date of the 20<sup>th</sup> at Larry's, topic is fest beers, Dave presenting. We will also develop a recipe for a club brew maibock to be tasted at the June meeting
  - May –Rick will host at his sister's home, date TBA
  - June –Steve Edmonds will host, date TBA, we will drink the various maibocks, presentation topic undecided.

Meeting adjourned at 2:20

Cheers,

Mia