

The Draught Card

NEWSLETTER DATE—NOVEMBER 2010

HIGH PLAINS DRAUGHTERS

Last Club Event—Club Oktoberfest

For those who came to Crown Heights Park on October 9th for the annual Club Oktoberfest celebration, there was time to meet new people, bring in a few new members, and enjoy the company of old friends. A hearty note of thanks goes to Joe and Denice Bocoock for hosting the event, just across the street from their humble abode.

There were plenty of brats, and a great selection of German style dishes. Many brought their best German beers, and our host had a half keg of Spaten Optimator, and plenty of that flowed throughout the afternoon, of course poured into suitable German steins and krugs, or our brand new Draughter glass mugs. We were a pretty easy group to spot, since the Editor had the Bavarian flag on display nearby the festival site.

There was a great turnout of about 35 Draughters and the only thing noticeably absent was the old pine tree, where we used to hang the Bavarian colors—the tree was a victim of the disease affecting pine trees in the area and had to be cut down. Nevertheless, the focus was on good beer, good friends, and good food, and there was plenty of fun and merriment throughout the afternoon. Mother Nature provided a wonderfully warm day with mild breezes—couldn't have been better.

PROST!!!

Change of Meeting Venue—November 19th Meeting

Unfortunately, Chris Milum informed the Trail Boss that LTB could not support the Draughters November meeting on Friday, November 19th. His homebrew shop is doing so much business that he and his staff are working overtime just to keep up with customer workflow and requests—great news for LTB, not so great news for us when it comes to meetings. Fortunately, Stan Babb raised his hand and volunteered to host the November technical meeting in Norman, OK. Stan and Penny's address is 1601 Morren Drive in Norman, Oklahoma 73071. Many of you are familiar with the address, since several Draughter Christmas parties in the past have been held there. Many thanks to Stan and Penny for opening their home for the meeting, which will be from 7-10PM, Friday, November 19th.

November Meeting—Officer Elections

Officer elections will be conducted at the November meeting, held at Stan and Penny Babb's. Stop in to vote, or better yet, throw your hat into the ring to help the Club move forward through 2011 by becoming an officer. Check with the Trail Boss to see what positions might be available. The Club can always use energetic and enthusiastic individuals. The Editor has agreed to serve one more year :-)

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Draughter Christmas Party—Need a Venue and Host

The Draughter Club Christmas party was scheduled for December 11th, and now needs a new venue and host—work commitments will not allow the Editor to host the party, so if there is anyone out there that can host the event, the Club will be greatly appreciative.

Got Your
Homebrewers
Permit Yet???
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Calendar of Events—2010

The 2010 Calendar is winding to a close. Here are the remaining 2010 Club events.

November—Club Technical meeting and officer elections, 19th from 7-10 PM at Stan and Penny Babb's house, 1601 Morren in Norman.

December—Draughter Christmas Party—event is scheduled for December 11th and the place is being determined, since the Editor's day job requires him to be out of town and he cannot support the event. Check for postings on the web and look for a notice or flyer to announce the new party venue very soon.

Officer Vacancy—Yer Head Examiner

The Head Examiner has put down his pencil after serving the Club for so many years, so the Club will be looking for a replacement at the next meeting to guide the Club Only Competition as we move forward. A hearty note of thanks to Tim Nagode for serving as Head Examiner for the past two years, and for his long time service to the Club as a past multi-term Trail Boss, and mentor to many a Trail Boss that followed in his footsteps.

Brewer's Resources—Around the corner or on the web

Beer Radio Shows—<http://www.beerinfo.com/index.php/pages/beerradiopodcast.html>

Beer Community—<http://www.homebrewersassociation.org/> - NEW WEBSITE FOR THE AHA!!!

Finding Local Brewpubs—<http://www.beerinfo.com/index.php/pages/brewpubsUSA.html>

Beer Wiki Resource—http://www.homebrewtalk.com/wiki/index.php/Main_Page

Vote with your wallet—SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL BREWERIES!!!



Come out to the next Draughter meeting to cast your vote for Officers to lead the Club through 2011! The Club needs you!!

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