



2009 Bluegrass Cup Wrap Up



Thank you for participating in the first annual Bluegrass Cup Homebrew Competition and Craft Beer Festival. We had an unusually successful day for a first time around. We had a total of 172 entries in the homebrew contest. We had 70 volunteers from 5 states that came to help judge and steward.

Judging

We had 47 judges from 5 different states, including 2 National Judges, 9 Certified Judges, and 6 Recognized Judges. The judges deliberated 21 different flights of beers, meads, and ciders. The 3 Best of Show Judges were: Bill Caldwell (Certified, KY), Jane Zalewski (National, OH), and Bob Stephenson (Certified, OH).

Best of Show

Honors went to John W Zeller with a Classic American Pilsner (02C). Second place Best of Show went to John Spicer with an American Pale Ale (10A). Third place Best of Show went to Stephen Ruffan with an English Barleywine (19B).

Entry Breakdown

Final Beer Tally was 173 from 11 states. Here is the breakdown: FL (0.6%), GA (0.6%), KY (67%), MI (1.8%), MN (0.6%), MO (1.8%), NC (2.9%), OH (4.1%), OK (2.4%), TN (15.3%), WV (2.9%).

Average Score = 32.4

Score	Percentage of Entries
Fair (14-20)	1.23%
Good (21-29)	29.01%
Very Good (30-37)	54.94%
Excellent (38-44)	14.81%
Outstanding (45-50)	0.00%

Sponsors

A special thanks goes out to all of the sponsors who helped out. We wouldn't have had near the success if these companies didn't help support us.

Special Thanks To:

Samuel Adams, Hop Union, Paradise Brewing, Northern Brewer, Polarware, Alaskan Brewing, The Keg, Bruisin Ales, Briess Malts, Five Star, Hops Direct, and Sierra Nevada.

Full Contest Results can be found at the back of this document.

Lexington Craft Beer Festival

Following the homebrew competition, we held the first annual Lexington Craft Beer Festival. All of our judges and stewards were asked to help out and pour some beer at the festival.

We had approximately 220 different beers from all of the local distributors. We maxed out the fire code for the Red Mile (approx 1300) and actually had to turn people away at the front door! I'd call that a success!

Thanks to Matt Falcone at Bayou Bluegrass Catering for providing the food being the co-organizer of the event.



The Organizers



Bill Caldwell judges a beer



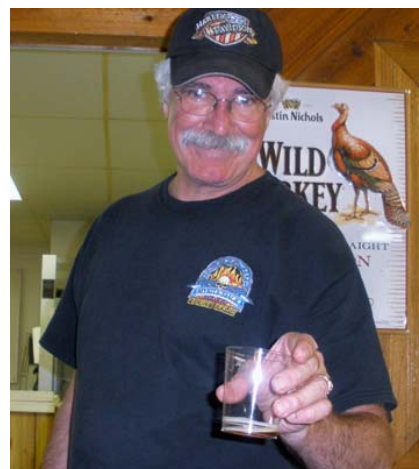
Chouffe Table Madness



Chief Steward, Mark Schentrup



Tony Aiken Announces Winners



Empty Cup = End of a Successful Day

Categories 1, 3, 4		Lagers		
	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style
1st	Geoff Henderson	Supa Schwarz	Music City Brewers	04C
2nd	Paul Moss	Dortmunder	BOCK	01E
3rd	Leah Dienes	Black Lager	LAGERS	04C
Category 2		Pilsners		
	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style
1st	John W. Zeller	Mill Creek American Pilsner	The Bloatarian Brewing League	02C
2nd	Geoff Henderson	Czech Please Pilsner	Music City Brewers	02B
3rd	Cliff Toner	Check Mate	BOCK	02B
Category 5		Bock		
	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style
1st	Bunker Bunch Brewers	Our Bock	Music City Brewers	05A
2nd	Michael Kling	Dopplebock	BOCK	05C
3rd	Chris Vandergrift	VDG Doppelbock	BOCK	05C
Category 6		Light Hybrid		
	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style
1st	Jeff Lehmkuhler	American Highland Wheat	BOCK	06D
2nd	Tim Rosenberger	Cream Ale	LAGER	06A
3rd	Tim Klarer	Kolsch	BOCK	06C
Categories 7,8		Hybrids & English Pale Ale		
	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style
1st	Scott Hand	Better Than Your Best Bitter	BOCK	08B
2nd	Phillip Snyder	Philsner Steam	Music City Brewers	07B
3rd	Joseph Martin	Cali Common		07B
Category 9		Scottish & Irish		
	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style
1st	Mike Lennox	Burns Day	Bock	09C
2nd	Wayne Palumbo	Scottish Ale	GHHA	09C
3rd	Leah Dienes	Irish Red	LAGERS	09D
Category 10		American Pale & Amber Ales		
	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style
1st	John Spicer	Prison Break		10A
2nd	Jeff Kirkner	Fathers Day Ale		10B
3rd	Scott Hand	APA	BOCK	10A
Category 11		English Brown		
	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style
1st	Mike Smith	Optimistic Brown Ale		11B
2nd	Shawn Scott	Blackfriar's Brown	FOAM	11A
3rd	Scott Hankins	Best Brown Ale		11C
Category 12		Porters		
	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style
1st	Morgan Jones	Retirement Porter 1	BOCK	12B
2nd	Eric Himburg	Dark Horse		12B
3rd	Morgan Jones	Transporter	BOCK	12B
Category 13		Stouts		
	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style
1st	Chris Bible	Black Beauty		13D
2nd	Wayne Palumbo	Oatmeal Stout	GHHA	13C
3rd	Robert O'Daniel	O'Daniel's Foreign Extra Stout		13D

Category 14 IPA's

	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style
1st	David Blankenship	Hoppy Days IPA		14B
2nd	Chris Meikle	Hop Bomb		14B
3rd	Andrew Steele	Thunder Head Pale Ale		14A

Categories 15 & 20 German Wheat & Rye/Fruit

	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style	Classic
1st	Jeffrey McElfresh	Beer 2	DRAFT	15B	
2nd	Phillip Snyder Philsner	Philsner Persimmon	Music City Brewers	20A	07B
3rd	Dan Staley	Danbrau Dunkel	BOCK	15B	

Category 16 Belgian & French

	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style
1st	Dave Zalewski	Saison	GHHA	16C
2nd	Kevin Patterson	Belgian IPA	BOCK	16E
3rd	John Spicer	Hostile Witness		16A

Category 17 Sour Ales

	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style
1st	Emmet Maas	Hazed and Confused	BOCK	17F
2nd	Emmet Maas	Maraschino Mash	BOCK	17F
3rd	Leah Dienes	Berliner Weisse	LAGERS	17A

Category 18 Belgian Strong Ales

	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style
1st	Chris Vandergrift	Dark Belgian	BOCK	18E
2nd	Bunker Bunch Brewers	Bunker Tripel	Music City Brewers	18C
3rd	Michael Kling	Strong Dark	BOCK	18E

Category 19 Strong Ales

	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style
1st	Stephen Ruffin	Manchester United Barleywine	Barley Mob Brewers	19B
2nd	Phillip Snyder	Philsner Peculiar	Music City Brewers	19A
3rd	Tanner Jones	Barley Wine	BOCK	19B

Categories 21, 22, 23 Specialty

	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style	Classic
1st	Morgan Jones	Rye PA 3	BOCK	23A	14B
2nd	Leah Dienes	Smoked Hefe	LAGERS	22B	15A
3rd	Tom Lebel	Vanilla Porter	Lapeer Area Brewers	23A	

Categories 25, 26, 27, 28 Meads & Ciders

	Brewer	Entry Name	Club Name	Style
1st	Kevin Patterson	Strong Raspberry Mead	BOCK	26C
2nd	Stephen Ruffin	Signal Cidar	Barley Mob Brewers	27A
3rd	Mark Schentrup	Marry Me Perry	Brewers of Central Kentucky	27D

Best Of Show

	Brewer	Style
1st	John W. Zeller	02C
2nd	John Spicer	10A
3rd	Stephen Ruffin	19B