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Brewer's Log

By Mike Fisher

The air is crisp with fall, kids are back in school (virtual though it may be), and cooler temperatures means many of you will be restarting your brewing after a summer of fun.

Given the uncertainty that still plagues us, the board decided to host a virtual club meeting on September 15. We want the meeting to be focused so you can attend, get the information you need, and move on. We'll leave the meeting going as long as you want, but we also want to be respectful of your time. The theme for the meeting will be fruit beers. If you have a beer ready to drink or experience of brewing with fruit that you'd like to share, please do.

Watch the front page of our website as well as your e-mail for details about the meeting. Our preliminary agenda includes:

- Welcome back
- Presentation of the proposed changes to the club's bylaws
- Call for nominations for elections, which will take place in November
- An educational topic (we're working to line something up!)
- Open floor

We want your input on what you'd like to see and hear at our meetings. Now more than ever, we need your help to keep the club going. Active participate in meetings, sharing of ideas, and stepping up to be an officer, board member, or volunteer is what keeps us going.

Our membership year runs from October 1 through September 30. Be sure to renew your membership to take advantage of all the benefits it provides both for you and the club. Memberships are what keep us going, so please renew this month before your membership expires on the 30th. The easiest way is at https://greatnorthernbrewers.org/membership/. Fill out the form and pay online. Easy. We also have a paper application if you'd prefer to mail it in. (We'll allow payment in person as soon as we can meet!)

As noted in the agenda, it will be election season before we know it. I am accepting nominations by e-mail for officer and board positions now through later October. Three board seats will be up for election this year, along with the roles of President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. You can read about each role at https://greatnorthernbrewers.org/about-us/. I'm not running for re-election this year, and I'm looking forward to seeing new leaders and visions emerge.

For this month's flame-out, I decided that my kegs were running low and I'd have open taps before my next planned batches would be ready, so I brewed two last-minute batches. I've already kegged a sessionable milkshake IPA to help me grasp on to the final shreds of summer weather and am waiting patiently while an imperial oatmeal stout finishes fermenting.

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In closing:

- Join our first meeting of the fall on Zoom
- Send in your meeting topics and ideas
- Renew your membership this month!
- Nominate yourself and others for club leadership roles
- Get out and brew something

We will see each other again soon.

Secretary's Corner By Jordan Couture

Happy September Club,

As the moose start to rut and the ptarmigans start to turn color. I'm sad that due to Covid-19 restrictions we have decided to host our club meeting over zoom. Below you will find an invitation to the meeting:

Topic: September GNBC meeting

Time: Sep 15, 2020 07:00 PM Alaska

Join Zoom Meeting (<u>info below</u> or see the website for the link)

Meeting ID: 861 8705 2907

Passcode: GNBC2020

I hope you are all staying safe and making the most of the short Alaskan summer.

Cheers.

Jordan Couture Secretary

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