Presidential Pint

Congratulations to all our Oregon State Fair winners! OBC took home a combined 36 medals in 2018 and top honors went to our very own Jason Barker, who gets to brew his Eisbock with Breakside Brewing early next year. Taking 3rd overall was Jake Freshour who tied Len Hallock with 7 total medals. That is super impressive!

The competition season is now winding down and all sights are set on the 18th annual Oregon Brew Crew Fall Classic competition next month. We could still use some volunteers for the competition staff! Please email Corrie at competition@obc.beer for more information, or register at fallclassic.oregonbrewcrew.org. We are excited to be hosted and sponsored by Portland Cider Co., as well as being the final qualifying competition for Oregon State Homebrewer of the Year (OSHBOTY). Three of our members sit atop the leader board (Len Hallock, Chuck Macaluso and Doug Ballou) hoping to to bring the championship belt to OBC for the first time.
In other news, Brian Haslip has resigned from the 2018 Board as Vice President amidst a new job and lots of work travel. On behalf of the board and all the club members, we wish Brian the best in his new adventures and a huge THANK YOU for his tireless energy and commitment to the club these past 3 years (and well before that). Will Minderhout has stepped into the role of Interim VP through the end of the year.

And speaking of the OBC Board, the Election meeting will take place in November which means that it is time to focus on the 2019 budget and recruiting new board members. If you are interested in running for a board position, please attend our "Open" Board Meeting on Monday October 1st at the Horse Brass from 7-9pm. This is a great chance to observe a typical board meeting and learn about the roles and responsibilities.

I hope to see all of you at our next meeting at 7pm on September 13th at FH Steinbart.

President Jim Thompson

Thinking about running for the Board?

Come meet us at the Monthly Board Meeting on Oct. 1, 2018 at The Horse Brass Pub, we will be holding an open Board meeting from 7-9 PM. If you are considering any of the Board positions, this is a perfect opportunity to see how the meetings are conducted and ask questions to the current Board. You can also talk to any of the board members to find out more about what we do. We hope to see you at the meeting if you have any interest. Also, don’t hesitate to reach out to any Board member via email with questions you may have.

Here is a link to the roles and responsibilities of the board positions.  
http://www.oregonbrewcrew.org/page-1858083

Here is the current board’s contact information.  
http://www.oregonbrewcrew.org/ContactUs
SEPTEMBER: PLEASE BRING FOOD! 😊

**September 14th at 7PM** is our last Steinbart’s In-Meeting. We will have **TWO raffle prizes** – a **$50 Steinbart’s gift certificate** and a **TBD prize**, which I will post on the Facebook page.

In the past, some of you have asked me what you can bring. Click: [Potluck Ideas](#)

**Future Events:** We will have a fudge contest in October at the Hair of The Dog meeting, a Chili Competition at the November In-Meeting and, to finish the year, our annual December Holiday Party! (We will be reaching out to volunteers.)

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**POTLUCK RAFFLE TICKET VALUES**

1 *ticket* for small items: chips/dip, breads, package of store bought cookies, candy, etc.

3 *tickets* for medium items: salad, a plate of homemade goodies, a pot of beans, veggies, or a smaller to medium dish of substantial food.

5 *tickets* for large items (that feed at least a couple dozen people): lasagna, mac and cheese, sandwiches, BBQ or Smoked meats, or a medium dish with obviously expensive ingredients, or generous portion of time used to prepare it.

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September Meeting Education

Have you ever wished that you could identify that persistent off flavor in your homebrew batches? Perhaps you’ve wondered what brewers mean when they talk about compounds like Acetaldehyde, DMS, or Diacetyl? Are you a BJCP judge who just wants more specific practice with off-flavors?

Whether you’re new to brewing and beer evaluation or you’re a seasoned sensory evaluator, don’t miss OBC’s September 13th meeting at FH Steinbart. We will be joined by Brittney Berg, a representative of the Siebel Institute of Technology and the West Coast Technical Manager for Lallemand Brewing.

Brittney will be facilitating a sensory seminar where we compare beers doctored with off flavors to a control sample. The goal is to be able to consistently detect and identify common flaws in homebrew beer (and perhaps even pick up a trick or two to improve our homebrew along the way).

BJCP folks – come prepared to give your BJCP ID. You will be able to earn some non-judging continuing education points for your participation.
Competition Corner

**Fall Classic** - OBC's 18th annual Fall competition is here! Judging will take place Oct 19th and 20th at Portland Cider Company, with an award ceremony and raffle following the judging at approximately 4pm on the 20th. It’s the last OSHBOTY qualifier for the year. We will need plenty of stewards and judges, so be sure to register. Brew up your best beers, and let’s see what you can do! **Registration now open!**

Here’s a look at some other upcoming competitions:

**Lager Lager Everywhere But Not an Ale to Drink** - Snohomish, Washington. [Information](#) and [registration](#) open. Limited to 100 entries and judging will take place 9/8.

**Rocktoberfest** - Redmond, OR. Entries due 9/15 with judging at Kobold Brewing on 9/22 and 9/23. Drop off sites include Steinbarts and Brew Brothers/Three Mugs. BOS wins a 10 gallon brew kettle, runner-up gets a 50# bag of Mecca Grade malt. Open to all styles, entry fee $7. [Registration](#) opens 6/1.

**Hob Nob Oktoberfest Homebrewer Competition** - St. Helens, OR. Entry fee is 5 gallons of homebrew or $30. No website but contact for John Stermer at (503) 396-5029 listed.

**Lights Out!** – Gig Harbor, WA. Dark beers only, but open to several BJCP categories. [Registration](#) opens Sept 1st, with entries due 10/8. Award ceremony on 10/20. Some pretty sweet prizes, including: brewing with 7 Seas Brewing, Spike kettle, Skagit Valley grains, a counterflow wort chiller, and more.

**GEBL (Greater Everett Brewer’s League) Oktoberfest and Homebrew Challenge** - Everett, WA. Will take place on 10/13. Here's [information](#) and registration will open Sept 8th at [oktoberfestbracket.gebl.org](http://oktoberfestbracket.gebl.org).
**Capital Brewers Harvest Classic**- Salem, OR. Registration opens 7/16, with entries due by 9/21. Judging will take place on 10/13.

**Celebrewtion**- Sacramento, CA. Takes place on 10/20. Registration is now open, and is [here](#).

**Queen of Beer** - Rancho Cordova, CA. Entry deadline 11/11. Only for the ladies! Registration will be [here](#).

**Congratulations** to our members who took home medals from the Oregon State Fair, including: Len Hallock, Chuck Macaluso, Jake Freshour, Jason Barker, Scott Nieredka, Jim Thompson, Brady Gilchrist, Eric Hinson, Doug Ballou, Jennifer Hohensee, and Adam Lund. Extra congrats to Jason Barker who took Best of Show Honors with his Eisbock!

by: Corrie Heath

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**OBC Merchandise**

It sure has been great seeing members sporting their new OBC hoodies the past few months. That being said, there are still lots of other great OBC items available for sale at our meetings. Including OBC Stickers, challenge coins, t-shirts and more hoodie sweatshirts.

All OBC merch is available for purchase through [http://oregonbrewcrew.org/shop](http://oregonbrewcrew.org/shop) or at any “In Meeting.”

That being said we should could use a few volunteers to help sell merch during those In-Meetings. We just need someone to staff the table while earning karma points. If you are interested please email felicia@oregonbrewcrew.org and I’ll go over the details.
## Petty Cash/Undeposited Funds

### OnPoint Contingency Fund
- **OnPoint Balance**: 8/31/2018
- **NET**

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### Unanticipated Expenses
- **Miscellaneous 300.00**
- **Pilot System 650.00**
- **Unanticipated Expense**
- **Newsletter**
- **Unanticipated Expense**
- **Festivals**
- **Unanticipated Expense**
- **SheBrew**
- **Miscellaneous Competition**

### Bank Fees
- **Website & Membership Database 875.00**

### Unanticipated Income
- **Collaborator**
- **Portland Craft Beer Fest**
- **Fall Classic**
- **Dues**

### Vice President
- **Vice President 3,950.00**

### Comments
- Increased budget to allow for continuing improvements to the Pilot system, as well as increased costs for Prepare.
- New board members have offered to donate their refund.
- Underbudget because some members have offered to donate their refund.
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- HomebrewCon Booth.
- General Maintenance.

### Net
- **35,225.00**
- **16,743.18**
- **2,766.82**

### Total Cash on hand
- **516,635**
OBC at the Portland Fresh Hops Beer Fest

The Fresh Hops Beer Fest will be happening the final weekend of this month, September 28th and 29th at Oaks Bottom Amusement Park in Portland. OBC has partnered with Oregon Craft Beer to provide volunteers for the fest on Saturday night. Volunteers will receive a fest shirt and drink tickets, plus a trip to the after party at the end of the shift. Please email Events Chair Sean Sanders if you're interested in volunteering from 3:45 - 8:00 PM on September 29th.
Don't forget the OBC Pilot System!

Fabulous upgrades to the Pilot System!

This year, we decided to spend the full pilot system budget on much needed upgrades and improvements. A Brobdingnagian thank you to Brian Haslip for ordering the parts and assembling/transfiguring the system! Great job!

Some of the improvements include:
- Added a 2nd, better pump on a new stand
- Improved the existing pump
- Added switches to both pumps
- Replaced all of the hoses
- Added a sparge arm
- Replaced the thermometers with a digital one
- Added a 3rd burner high BTU (Blichmann stand donated by Jim Thompson), that thing is a massive improvement!

Future improvements will include:
- Replacing the other burners with high BTU
- Etching of the interior of the keggs
- Possible new keggs to expand the system
- Others? Your suggestions requested

In addition to the amazing upgrades and improvements, we are also improving the sign-out process. There are new forms to complete that will allow you to request specific parts instead of the entire thing. This will enable multiple members to utilize the system simultaneously. Look for the new sign-out form online in 2018 to reflect these changes.

Any questions? Send them to jim.thompson@oregonbrewcrew.org
Happy brewing!
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OBC Cup Standings (as of 9/5/18)
http://www.oregonbrewcrew.org/obccup

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Important: The cutoff for 2018 OBC Cup points is midnight, November 30th. All points will be verified and checked prior to the Holiday Party and final awards. December points will rollover to 2019.

OBC Member of the Year (MOY)
http://www.oregonbrewcrew.org/moy

If you are willing to write up an article for the newsletter please email me at jon.campbell@oregonbrewcrew.org

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