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Edicts From The Czar

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Imperial Reflections: The Big Batch Brew Bash for 2008 is now in the history books with a fantastic time enjoyed by all who attended. We now need to get a head start on next year. There will be a planning meeting and wrap up session at Baker Street Woodlands on July 6th. This is the normal first Sunday session and all who wear the KGB colors will get their first brew paid by the Czar. We need to start early this year on the BBBB and get everyone team brewing. This means getting Strong Scottish Ales in the bottles for BBBB 2009 and getting a head start on the Barleywine for BBBB 2010. Many thanks to everyone who stepped forward and gave a helping hand to the BBBB 2008. We had lots of good Swag donated and will be getting more for our meetings. Always remember the logos on the items and support the breweries and business establishments who support us.

We are moving into the summer season for the KGB so remember to check the events section in this newsletter and the website.

Remember June Steakout, July Pizza and the August Salsa Competition this is good summer fun with great BOM and KOM activity. With gas



Czar Bill gets a giant decoration from St. Arnold's own Brock Wagner.

prices going up our prices for raffle tickets and BOM are a great way to spend a summer evening. We always talk about beer which is a great subject.....

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Ruble Collector's Report

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Comrades: Another month. Geez, seemed like we just were paying for heating bills and now comes the AC bills! I officially declare brewing season over until November! And then the RC would need to replenish his stash. Speaking of

see the former RC and that the RC Phil is doing a very fine job indeed in his replacement. If you disagree, elections are coming up in a few months. Hint. Hint.

OK I didn't win the BBBB; but the KGB had a great showing. What we need is more participation from KGB and surrounding clubs. If I can brew one, then so can you! And it is the perfect time to brew, early winter to have it ready by May.



Has-been RC Tim White was sighted at one of the BBBB judging tables.

Renewing Members

Pierre Morow—Renew
Joe Perjak & Family—Renew
Don Hang—Renew

which, yours truly has made an American Pale Ale for Jamie's annual Steak Out. Reminds me, I better taste it to make sure it passes muster. If not I will dig deep and buy a keg of beer. Now if that doesn't get you to the next meeting I don't know what will.

BBBB update: Tim White sighting. OMG! I thought he had passed away. He judged one round and like Batman was gone. But where? Only he knows. It was good to

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Edicts From The Czar

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My beer chest is getting full with kegs of Ginger Weisenbock, Imperial Chocolate Stout, Wheat Ale and Raspberry-Apple Cider. It is now time to start making some summer beers; Cream Ales and more Wheat Ales. There is also a case of the BBBB Weisenbock in the Imperial Cellars ready for Dixie Cup and Lunar Rendezbrew XV.



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- **Tomball Welding**—Show your KGB ID and exchanging your CO2 tanks for a price of \$7.00 for a 5 lb. bottle. (tax included) Located on Hwy 249 across from Hughes Propane.
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- **Joe Blows**—Show your KGB ID and get case prices for import and micro brewed beer.
- **BJ's at Willowbrook**—Show your KGB ID and get Happy Hour Prices on all of BJ's Brewhouse beers any time of the day or night.

NOTE: To receive a membership card, see the Ruble Collector at any meeting or event.

Ruble Collector's Report

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We had I think a very good turnout, and the RC would like to thank Kim, Rhonda and the Czar for his athletic abilities. Microphone? RC don't need no stinkin' microphone. The raffle was a very good success and we made a little bit of money. That's a profit for those who are accountants. Food was great and I am sure was under appreciated. **Thanks to SUSAN** for a great job, as well as Rhonda and Kim.

See ya Saturday, God willing, June 21 and don't forget to bring your MEAT! Bring friends, and money for the raffle and memberships! And remember Raaaaaffllllllle. And also June 21 is the longest *daylight* (not day because as everyone knows all days are 24 hours) of the year, summer solstice. So bring sunscreen and lots of beer to share.

My Comrades: It is late and my glass is empty...time for bed....

RC Phillip



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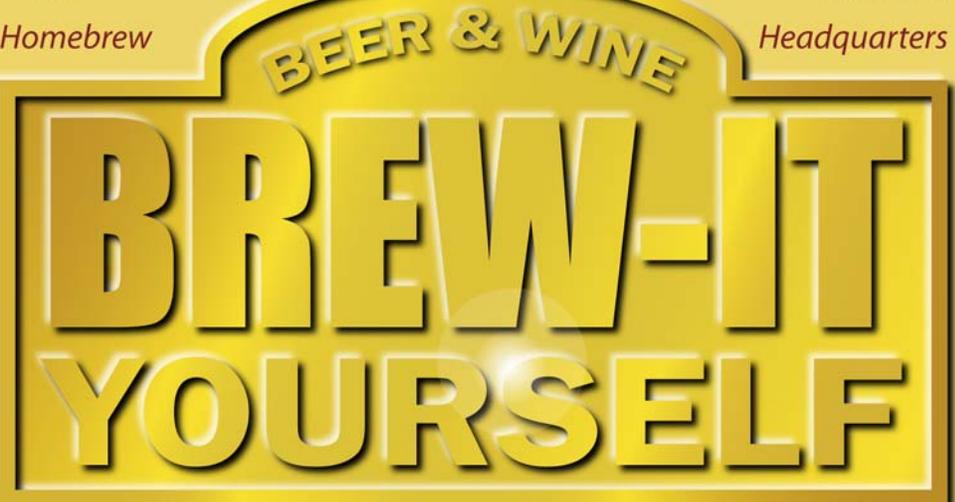
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B **BBB 13** has now come and gone. The results of this impressive event are:

Big Batch Brew Bash Winners

1st	Kerry Martin	Austin Zealots
2nd	Chris Landis	KGB
3rd	Rodney Zibzey	Urban Knaves of Grain
Honorable Mention	Bill King	KGB
Honorable Mention	Susan Ayling	KGB

The best part is, the **KGB** once again won the coveted **“Heavy Hitters Award”**.

This award goes to the club that has the most beers advance to the second round.

I’m proud to say that thanks to the following **KGB** members, **Bill King, Chris Landis, Mark Rogerson** and myself, **Donald Sajda**, the **KGB** was awarded a **15.5-gallon keg of Saint Arnold’s Christmas Ale**, compliments of **Saint Arnold’s**, to be enjoyed at the November meeting.

Make a point to say thanks to members above for doing a great job brewing their Weizenbocks and bringing to the Motherland a big keg of good beer.

This may have been the smoothest run of any **BBBB** contest ever. As the organizer, that makes me really happy!

I want to thank all of the brewers that entered, the judges, stewards, cooks (**Bill and Kim King, Chris Landis and Susan Ayling**), the raffle ticket seller (**RC Brokeback Phil**). **“Oh, by the way, Phil, “Sell more tickets next time!”**) **Saint Arnold’s Brewing Company, DeFalco’s, and Brew It Yourself** for their help and support.

My special thanks go to **Ed, Mark, and Herb**, three **KGB** members that worked behind the scenes. **Ed Condon**

and **Herb Baker** performed the tasks of pulling beers to be judged and the thankless job of sorting and getting the score sheets in order. Men, my many thanks go to you for your help. Of course, how I could I forget the data slave? **Mark Rogerson** has been there with me for years sorting **BBBB** entries and on the day of the contest arranging judges, stewards and beers on his great little software program he wrote to accomplish this task.

Mark, I want to thank you for doing this very important job the past few years. You know, it’s great to be part of a club where members step up and volunteer to help make the club successful.

Its time to start thinking about the **14th annual BBBB**. Of course the style will be **Strong Scotch Ale** and of course the **KGB** will once again be well represented. In preparation the **KGB** will be once again be organizing the **“Double Agent Brew Off”**. The idea is simple, pair up an experienced brewer with a novice brewer to create this year’s style, a **Strong Scotch Ale**.

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Sign up will start at the June 21st meeting and pairings will be announced at the July meeting. In addition, your beers will be entered in the **14th annual BBBB**. We want to capture the **“Heavy Hitters Award”** again! We sure want to preserve the bragging rights as the **KGB** championship team.

BREAKING NEWS: First Annual “Saint Arnold’s Beer Olympics” results are in!

Last weekend at the **14th Anniversary Party** at Saint Arnold’s Brewery the team of **Has Been Czars HBC Ed**

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War Room Briefing

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Condon and Don Sajda represented the KGB in the First Annual “**Saint Arnold’s Beer Olympics**”. You may not know, but Ed and I have been in secret training for many years. We were proud to be selected to show our stuff. For the first event we kicked the sh*t out of two females [*Chivalry, schmivalry—MOT*] in the keg roll, Ed, who was giving his all for the team, badly injured both kneecaps as he attempted to give the final push to bring our keg over the finish line.

Blood gushed from his cuts, but all he could think of was to bring home the gold for the KGB! Ed hobbled around with an Anniversary glass in his hand as we advanced to the second round. That race was none other than the “fill the container with the most swill beer”. The container was strapped to my head as I sat in a chair some 20-foot below. My teammate, Ed Condon, was raised to the clouds in a scissors jack. I



hoped for the best and trusted Ed’s aim as he filled pitchers of swill beer and poured from 20 foot above. In spite of Ed’s wounds, our team defeated the challengers. (could it be HBC Don’s fat head was a better target?)

Onward to the finals!!!

What devious event would Ed and I be engaged in?.

Oh no!!!! We saw them bring out 2 wading pools full of...of...of...spent grain!!!!

One of us would need to jump into the grain bed blindfolded and find bottle caps. The teammate would help direct the dumb ass that was in the grain bed. Since Ed’s knees were



still oozing with blood I volunteered to be the dumb ass and immersed myself in this foul smelling goop. There was a 2-

minute time limit, and we gave it our best! While blindfolded someone must have grabbed some of my bottle caps because when the final buzzer blew, our pitcher had fewer bottle caps and we came home with the Silver Medal. My body was rank with the smell of spent grain, but it was more than worth it to be able to sport the fine **Silver Saint Arnold’s Beer Olympics Medal** around my neck. Man, those babes



Check out the size of those medallions. Now, that’s bling, comrade!

were drawn to it like flies. Of course there was that \$50 gift certificate to Spec’s that they may have been really attracted

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Comrades, are you ready to par-tay? I'm ready to par-tay!now repeat (with SpongeBob SquarePaints and Patrick Star voices if you're a purist) until you have had your fill.

We have another opportunity to meet up, have a KGB meeting, eat some meat, and then mead-itate on all beer things big and small. So tell me Clarice, do you hear the lambs... sizzling on the grill? At this steak out you could do that. Just bring your choice of meat and any spices or last-minute hormonal additions that you would like to put on it. With the hot juices dripping off of it (and onto the old propane fittings), your steak may just be da' bomb! It will be good alright...it will be just to die for!

Wow, I'm sorry, you came into this "article" "in good faith" expecting to learn a little some some and I have completely side tracked that with my selfish digressions. I apologize, I should have realized that you wanted to get a little some some;now, don't we all brother (or sister)! It's just that I don't always want to write for the reader with a one-track mind. It's not that we're so different; it's simply a matter of artistic license. If you love me, you'll set me free.... and if I come back to you, yes, it will be with some outstanding beer. [There, that's the transition I was searching for].

This month's BOM is Brown Ale, Amber Ale, and American Pale Ale and the KOM being generously provided by our RC, Phil Kaufman, is an American Pale Ale (unless he changed his mind). Now then, since we already know you

have a one-track mind, wouldn't you like to tap that?
Don't meet me there, beat me there!
Yours truly,
CB Jeff Scheerhorn



War Room Briefing

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to. Never the less, its a proud accomplishment indeed, for a couple of old farts.

Hail to the Has Been Czars!

The next "Lone Star Circuit" contest coming up this summer will be the **Lunar Rendezbrew**, which is held in Clear Lake Saturday August 2nd.

ENTRIES ARE DUE much earlier like Saturday July 12th.

I have had the pleasure of attending all but one lunar event since 1998. This is very family oriented one-day event you shouldn't miss. Plenty of great beer, food, darts, washers, Bubba Beer Contest and of course the Paper Airplane contest. Best of all, it is in an air-conditioned facility.

More details will be found at their website <http://www.mashtronauts.com/>

Well, that's my report for now.

Can't wait for the 14th annual **Big Batch Brew Bash**.

See you soon.

MOW Donald Sajda



English Brown Ale

Mark Rogerson

Batch Size: 11 gal Boil: 60 Minutes
Original Gravity: 1.053 Final Gravity: 1.012
IBUs: 23 ABV: 5.3%

Grains

17 lbs British Pale Malt
4 lbs British Medium Crystal
5 oz Chocolate Malt
2 oz Black Patent Malt

Hops

1.25 oz Target (10% AA) 60 mins.
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Yeast

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KGB Calendar

(Updated 11-Jun-2008)

Event	Date <small>(Article due date)</small>	Location	Style or Region of the Month	KOM
June Meeting Steak-Out	Sat June 21	Jaime Knapick 17227 Modbury	Brown Ale, Amber Ale, and American Pale Ale	American Pale Ale Phillip Kaufman
July Meeting Pizza Party	Sat July 19 <small>(Jul 4)</small>	Jonathan Goudy 21706 Leonard	Dark Lager (Munich Dunkel and Schwartzbeer)	Maibock Jonathan Goudy
August Meeting Salsa Party	Sat Aug 16 <small>(Aug 1)</small>	Chris Landis 3807 Cypresswood	Beers from South of the Border	Vienna Lager
September Meeting Belgian Blow Out	Sat Sep 13 <small>(Aug 29)</small>	Stuart and Sandy West 17402 Apache Hills Dr.	Everything Belgian	Something Belgian
October Dixie Cup	TBA <small>(Oct 3)</small>	TBA	All	Hodgepodge
November Smörgåsbeerd	Sat Nov 15 <small>(Oct 31)</small>	Don Sajda 25106 Bovington Dr	Good ol' Bigguns	Oktoberfest Need Volunteer!
December Meeting Christmas Party	TBA	St Arnold Brewery 2522 Fairway Park Dr.		

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