



# WHAT'S ON TAP



OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE FOREST CITY BREWERS /// SEPTEMBER 2019

## MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOW HALF OFF!

**\$17 – SINGLE // \$25-CO-HABITATION**

### IN CASE YOU MISSED IT : SEPTEMBER MEETING RECAP

At this month's meeting we did not have any new faces but had a good turnout of active members! Joe announced that Micro Matic was interested in giving a beer dispensing class to the club. This class took place on 9/24/19. See the second page for pictures from the class! Micro Matic is a company that makes and sells commercial and home beer dispensing equipment. They are located on Route 251 in Machesney Park if anyone is interested in contacting them regarding your beer dispensing needs.

We moved onto the discussion of the table styles for 2020. A survey was emailed out a couple of weeks after the meeting. Please check your email for this survey and let us know what you'd like to see next year on the tables.

Next we went over the details of the Annual Summer Picnic. This took place on 9/28/19. Again, please see the next page for pictures!

Scott discussed the results of the Anything that Floats race that the club participated in last month. We came in 8<sup>th</sup> place in the DIY category. We had a total of 9 rowers who helped get the raft down the river. We didn't sink! Thank you to everyone who helped build the raft and participate in the race!

We discussed upcoming Tasters Guild's. October's TG was planned for Dog Haus but, unfortunately, Dog Haus has closed their doors earlier this month. We have decided to move Hairy Cow Brewing Co in Byron to October's location and have a TBD location for November. If you have any suggestions for the November location, please let us know!

Screw City plans were discussed. This took place on 9/7/19 in downtown Rockford by the Riverview Ice House. In total, we had 33 drinks on tap including a nonalcoholic hop water and one barrel aged cold brew coffee. We came close to serving 150 gallons! A shout out was given to Todd Henert for building the new bars used and they worked out great! This year's Screw City went off without a hitch!

The meeting ended with Scott describing the style of the month, Experimental. This is a catch all style for beers that do not fit into any one category. We had some very interesting but delicious beers on the table and everyone did a great job! Cheers!

### UPCOMING COMPETITION STYLES

October - 16B Oatmeal Stout

November - 8A Munich Dunkel

December - 33A Wood Aged Beer

*\*Please remember to preregister your beers to earn points for the Brewer of the Year contest by emailing [fcbbeersteward@gmail.com](mailto:fcbbeersteward@gmail.com)\**

### UPCOMING TASTERS GUILDS

October - Hairy Cow Brewing Co

November - TBD

December - Carlyle Brewing Co

### NEXT CLUB MEETING

October 2<sup>nd</sup> - 7pm

Prairie Street Brewhouse

200 Prairie St

Rockford, IL 61107

## Monthly Style Table Competition

### Style Table

#### Experimental

##### First place

Gus Chambers - "Breakfast"

##### Second place

Mark Davis - French Vanilla

Cappuccino Blonde

##### Third place

Ben Barr - Cucumber Dill Wheat

##### Honorable Mentions

Scott Walker - Minced Meat Ale

Mike Bohn - Shrimp Daikon Radish

### Open Table

##### First place

Jerry Machula -

American Hoppy Dark Wheat

##### Second place tie

Todd Henert - Wood Aged Amber

Scott Walker - Blonde Ale w/ Peanut Butter

##### Honorable Mentions

Tim Lundquist - Saison

Gus Chambers - Kolsch Style Maris Otter

**Great job everyone!**



### The Forest City Beer Stewards need volunteers!!

Duties include checking in table submissions before the meeting, pouring beers and refilling pitchers, and getting first dibs at the tasting tables! Two to three volunteers a meeting is preferable. To volunteer, please email Deb Machula at [fcbbeersteward@gmail.com](mailto:fcbbeersteward@gmail.com) and more information will be provided.

### 2020 OFFICER ELECTION

The FCB officer election is coming up in November. If you weren't at the September meeting, you missed the announcement that Joe will not be returning as club president for 2020 because he will be moving out of state in the near future. Joe has done a lot for the club in his 2 year presidency and I think I can speak for all of us when I say we are thankful for his hard work. Great job, Joe!

**If anyone is interested in running for an officer position, please email [forescitybrewers@gmail.com](mailto:forescitybrewers@gmail.com) as soon as you can. Officer candidates must be submitted by 10/4/19.** If you would like to know more about the duties of the officer positions, please email a request for the bylaws to sent to you. Please do not hesitate to contact any of the current officers with any

### FEATURED CLUB DISCOUNT



50% off appetizer with the purchase of a beer  
(Excludes club night)

### Did you know that...

A Buddhist temple in the Thai countryside was built with over 1 million recycled beer bottles...a mix of green Heineken and brown local Chang beer.





# WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO IN SEPTEMBER??

## SEPTEMBER'S MONTHLY MEETING 9/4/19



## SCREW CITY 9/7/19



## TASTERS GUILD! 9/18/19



## MICRO MATIC BEER DISPENSING TRAINING & EDUCATION CLASS 9/24/19



## ANNUAL CLUB SUMMER PICNIC 9/28/19



### 2019 MEMBERSHIP DISCOUNTS

*\*see website for exact details*

Aero Ale House - 50% off appetizer

Detour Bar & Grill - 15% off total check

Farmhouse Brewing Supply - 10 % off

Lucha Cantina -20% off food bill

NMT Drink - 15% off total check

Old Chicago - 20% off total check

Olympic Tavern - 50% off appetizer

Pig Minds Brewing - 20% off total check

Prairie Street - 50% off appetizer

Tavern on Clark - 50% off appetizer

Rudy's Cigars - 10% off cigars

\*CJ's Lounge - \$3 craft pints on draft

\*Chili Pepper Bar & Grille – 20% off total check

\*Bad Ash Cigars- 15% off cigars

\*Alchemy - 20% off total check

\*Graystone Grill - 20% off total check

\*Legacy Char Spirits Lounge - 10% off total check

\*Rock County Brewing - 10% off purchases

\*G5 Brewing Co - \$1 off beers

*\*new discount for 2019!*

## Will you be apart of the next club event??

In October, we are planning a bus trip to Madison WI on 10/26/19. Halloween costumes are encouraged! The cost is \$20 per member plus one guest. Please reserve your spots on the bus by 10/2/19. Spots will open up to non-members after 10/2/19 and will be \$25 per person. This is an all day trip which will leave Rockford at 9:30am. We will be visiting several Madison and surrounding area breweries. To purchase a seat on the bus, please visit the FCB website or pay in person at the October meeting with Jerry Machula.

### HOW TO CONTACT FOREST CITY BREWERS

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