

# Guild Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2023

## Attendance:

Ben Schwalb - Guild President  
Les White - Guild Vice President  
Rob Kiernan - Guild Secretary  
Chris Anderson - Guild Treasurer  
John Jester - Former Guild President  
Tom Flavin - CRABS rep  
Chris Mark - MALT rep  
Steve Kranz - Midnight Homebrewers' League rep  
Paul & Jamie Langlie - BURP reps  
Matthew Kelly - Libation Association rep  
Tom Kowalski - SMASH rep  
Matt Haines - BaltiBrew rep  
Adam Stine - BADASS rep  
Paul Connors - GO BREW rep  
Christa Chasis & Chris Hermance - Annapolis Homebrew Club reps  
Jeff Adelsberger - Zoom coordinator

We toasted Rod Rydlun, former BURP president, who passed away recently.

## 1. Upcoming Guild events

- Big Brew on Saturday May 6
  - MDHB will host once again with the usual offerings (grilled food, etc)
    - Chris Anderson will send out a survey to ask who is attending, who is brewing, etc.
      - Rob Kiernan will check old surveys and help with creating a new one
    - Fewer electrical outlets at the new location, no 240V. Electric brewers might consider bringing generators.
  - SMASH will host at Scorpion Brewing
    - Will brew 30 gallons to be released in June.
- Guild picnic - Saturday June 3 at Patapsco State Park Hollofield area shelter #300
  - We are back to our regular location
  - Guild will need to supply charcoal, ice, water, etc
  - Guild Spirit Award? We need to get nominations in and vote on this at the next Guild meeting in May
    - John Jester will take the lead on this
  - Event coordination
    - Chris Hermance volunteered to coordinate
    - Involves things such as scheduling who will run the grill, who is bringing supplies, etc.
    - Homebrew competition
      - Tom Flavin volunteered to run it
      - We will probably do hedonistic "open" style

## 2. Other Guild business/news

- Guild pamphlet
  - Pamphlet file is being updated by John Jester - logos are all ready, but there is a question of which clubs are still current members
    - Wootown and Zymernauts have not paid dues yet so are they still members?
    - Ben emailed them, and John Jester will contact Kevin from Zymernauts directly
- Club dues of \$20 may be paid via:
  - Checks payable to Christiane Anderson
  - Cash
  - Venmo to @Christiane-Anderson-6

### 3. Club sharing and upcoming competitions/events

- BADASS March Madness Beer Competition – March 25 at 2pm in Silver Spring
  - Bracket competition with beer
  - Each attendee brings a 6-pack of a single beer (commercial or homebrew) plus \$5 entry fee
  - Cash prizes
  - Email Adam Stine if interested - adamjstine@yahoo.com
- CRABS light rail pub crawl Saturday April 1 starting at noon
  - Will go to 3 different light rail stops and people can choose which breweries to visit at each stop
  - Will start at noon at Ravens stadium stop
- DC Homebrewers Cherry Blossom Competition – April 1 at DC Brau
  - Still accepting entries until March 24
  - <https://www.dchbcompetition.com/>
- Tapping party Friday April 7 at 6:00 PM at Brewery Fire in Taneytown to unveil commercial brewing of the winning homebrew recipe from last year's MD Microbrewery Festival homebrew competition. All are welcome, and the winning beer will be available on tap and in cans to go.
- BURP's Baltimore breweries bus tour Saturday April 15. See <https://www.burp.org/events/#!event/register/2023/4/15/burp-baltimore-brewery-bus-tour> for info.
- BaltiBrew's Brübakes will be on Sunday April 23, 2-4 PM at the Duckpin Room at Union Craft Brewery. Details and tickets at <https://baltibrew.ticketspice.com/brubakes-iv>
  - All competition spots filled but there is still room for attendees
- BURP's Spirit of Free Beer competition - Saturday April 29
  - Competition spots still open
  - Still looking for judges & stewards
  - Held at Clear Skies Meadery
  - See <https://sofb.brewcomp.com/> for info
- Federal Hill homebrew contest on Saturday May 13, 12-5 PM, at the 100 block of East Hamburg St.
  - Raises money for Federal Hill Prep School
  - Kid-friendly
  - Free to compete - sign up at [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSccD93--CTUmnWlrjMpoQ4rMgmHEFfgWrNCspc\\_HOfuXns8bA/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSccD93--CTUmnWlrjMpoQ4rMgmHEFfgWrNCspc_HOfuXns8bA/viewform)
  - See attached PDF doc for more info
- AHBC's Pints for Paws – June 10
  - Looking to have 75 beers (commercial and homebrew) for up to 750 attendees
  - <https://www.facebook.com/events/s/7th-annual-pints-4-paws-homebr/192055410182347/>
- Terrapin Homebrew Competition – June 11
  - Open for entries until May 11, each team must have at least one University of MD alumni on it
  - Attendees can sample entries and vote - \$10 fee
  - <https://umd.alumniq.com/index.cfm/events:register/home/eventid/1991>
- HomebrewCon
  - June 22-24 in San Diego
  - Website is <https://www.homebrewcon.org/>
  - Do any clubs plan on having a table?
- MASHOUT is set for August 17-20 at the same Cumberland location we've used since 2019. More details to come.
- Union Mills Microbrewery Festival & Homebrew Competition Saturday September 30
  - Steve Kranz will run it again with the requirement that # of entries is limited to 50
  - Competition style: any American style
- BURP is organizing a BJCP class
  - May extend invitation to Guild
  - Good opportunity to learn more about beer even if you don't plan on being a judge
  - Online course with beer distributed to small groups of attendees so bottles can be shared
  - Contact Les White at [lesbrews@gmail.com](mailto:lesbrews@gmail.com) if interested

### 5. Upcoming 2023 meetings

- May 8, Jul 10, Sep 11, Nov 13