



CASK Meeting Minutes

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<p>05:00</p>	<p>Registration for club-only “OG > 1.080” competition starts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Members with entries for competition provided emails with the number of entries & style being submitted and several members dropped their entries off at the shop which helped get the registration and judging off to a fast start.
<p>05:01</p>	<p>Judges and stewards gather for judging assignments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thank you all for donating your time and assistance!
<p>05:10</p>	<p><u>Club-only competition</u> judging begins: Style = “OG > 1.080”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total of 14 entries.
<p>06:00</p>	<p>Club Social Hour begins</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thanks to those who brought homebrew to share. Special thanks to those who donated hops and beer for the raffle.
<p>07:11</p>	<p>CASK meeting called to order (Marshall Crews, President)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome and introductions Sign-in sheet for members
<p>07:05</p>	<p>Club business and discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A look at upcoming CASK events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BJCP classes and exam. Study materials/assignments posted on CASK forum for participants. BJCP exam will be May 9. If you’re interested, contact Jim Predragovich at bjcp@thecask.org. Pub Crawl March 7. Sign up now on the CASK Website at http://www.thecask.org/cask-pub-crawl.htm. Cost is \$30, possibly less if more people sign up. Thanks to Matt Walston for organizing this. Contact him at pubcrawl@thecask.org. Matt says “guests welcome as long as they’re cool people and like beer.” CASK/Seven Bridges “Comp de L’abbaye Normale” Belgian beer contest coming up April 4. Open to categories 16, 17 (excluding Berliner weisse) and 18. This is a BJCP-sanctioned event but open to CASK members only. Awards will be



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	<p>given for all categories. The winning Witbier (16A) will be brewed by Eric at Seven Bridges. If you're brewing a Witbier, the yeast has to be commercially available and you can use no more than 60 percent wheat in the grain bill. Single-infusion mash required.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Big Brew will be held May 2 in front of Just Brew It. Details to come. - New barrel projects: We need ideas from members about what to brew next. There has been a suggestion that we barrel-age a session beer. We have obtained more Jim Beam barrels courtesy of Seven Bridges. - Ongoing barrel projects: Barrel-master Jack Griego says Belgian Dark Strong is doing well. Not yet sampled. Or so he says. - About eight CASK members are going to the National Homebrew Conference in Oakland, CA, June 18-20. If interested, see Marshall or Walter Rasco. - 2nd Annual CASK First Coast Cup homebrew competition coming up in July, either the first or second weekend, dates TBD. More details to come. We will need everybody to pitch in for this. - National Mead Day coming up this summer. A group brew may be scheduled. - Awards banquet (beer/food pairing/awards/prizes) to be held in early August or end of September, dates TBD. - Teach a Friend to Homebrew Day coming up this fall. Details to come. - CASK now is on Twitter (follow CASKjax) and FaceBook (friend Cowford Ale Sharing Klub).
	<p>CASK Annual Awards Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brewer of the Year points tracking up-to-date <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Located on the CASK website at http://www.thecask.org/cask-brewer/brewer-of-the-year.pdf • Member of the Year points tracking up-to-date <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Located on the CASK website at http://www.thecask.org/cask-member/members-of-the-year.pdf • Medal of the Year points trackingneed your results so points can be tracked <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Located on the CASK website at http://www.thecask.org/cask-medal/medal-



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	<p>of-the-year.pdf</p>
	<p>Homebrew Competitions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New CASK-only BJCP/AHA Belgian competition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Open to all Belgian styles 16, 17, and part of 18 – Judging of entries will be in April 2009 – Winning Belgian wit will be brewed by Seven Bridges in July 2009 • Announce Results of Saturday's competition – OG > 1.080 • Congratulations to club-only competition winners. Ribbons awarded to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 3rd Walter Rasco (American barleywine) – 2nd Andy Butler (Belgian dark strong) – 1st Jack Griego (Strong Scotch ale) Jack's beer will go on to the AHA club-only judging. Good luck, Jack! • A big thanks to the judges (Keith Oulson, Sean Connor, Mike Lentz, Matt Walston, Garrick Solberg, Bob Emory, Ed Stansel, Richard Ten Hulzen) and steward Sherri Crews. • Upcoming CASK Interclub Competition Styles: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – March 2009: Anything Wheat (malt bill >50% wheat) – April 2009: Extract beers – May 2009: Experimental fermentables (beer, wine, mead w/unusual ingredients) – June 2009: Mead – July 2009: No Interclub Comp due to 2nd Annual First Coast Cup – August 2009: TBD • Remind Members of Upcoming Florida Homebrew Circuit Competitions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Hurricane Blowoff – Palm Beach – April 2009 (entries due TBD) – http://palmbeachdraughtsmen.com/ – Hogtown Brewoff – Gainesville – May 2009 (entries due TBD) – http://www.hogtownbrewers.org/ – First Coast Cup– Jacksonville – July 2009 (entries due TBD)



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - http://www.thecask.org - Commander Saaz– Cocoa Beach– September 2009 (entries due TBD) - http://www.saaz.org - Sunshine Challenge–Orlando–October 2009 (entries due TBD) - http://www.cfhb.org/ • Remind Members of Upcoming Regional/National Competitions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The 2nd Annual Highland Cup to be held March 28. Hosted by Highland Brewing in Asheville, NC. The Best of Show winner will be brewed by Highland. The winning brewer will also earn a trip to the Great American Beer Festival in Denver in October. Open only to Southeastern brewers. Online entry deadline March 21. http://maltsters.org/GeneralInfoHigh2009.htm - AHA National Homebrew Competition–First-round judging April 2009, final-round judging June 18 in Oakland, CA (entries due March 25-April 8) - http://www.beertown.org/events/nhc/index.html - Pepper Beer Extravaganza – Tampa – June 2009 (entries due TBD) - http://www.dunedinbrewersguild.com/ - 2009 Bay Street Bash – Savannah – Nov 2009 - http://www.savannahbrewers.com/ • Results of recent Regional/National Competitions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2009 Domras Cup Mead Competition, Savannah, GA, Mead Competition Jan 31. Third-place for dry cyser/pyment/melomel: Marshall and Sherri Crews. - 2009 Central Florida Homebrewers Meadlennium competition, Jan. 24, Sorrento, FL. Third-place for dry Melomel: Marshall and Sherri Crews
	<p>CASK Financials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treasurer Mike Lentz reports we are changing tax-exempt status to allow for fund-raising activities; we are restricted now to member-driven income.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Members are urged to renew on the CASK website using PayPal. - If you want more info on our financials, email treasurer@thecask.org.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Just Brew It homebrew shop report from Walter Rasco: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expects to have hop rhizomes list at the March CASK meeting for those wishing to grow their own hops. - Urged brewers to participate in the Highland Cup contest (see above). <p>CASK EDUCATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education Topic – Yeast comparisons – Jim Predragovich, Eric Luman <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An educational and entertaining comparison of how various yeasts produced wildly different results on six samples of the same wort (light lager). The yeasts ranged from American ale yeast to Red Star bread yeast. Samples were provided to those attending. Strangely enough, the American ale yeast produced the nastiest beer; the bread yeast beer wasn't bad. Thanks to Eric and Jim for the great presentation. - Eric is looking for ideas for other mad-scientist-type beer experiments with the assistance of a CASK homebrewer. If you have ideas, see Eric or contact a club officer. <p>Open Floor for Members to Offer New Ideas, Commentary, Suggestions and Other Items of Interest for CASK</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We need participants and judges for the Best Florida Beer championships Feb. 27-28 in Tampa. A beer-food pairing dinner on 27th is planned. Jim P. says judges traveling more than 50 miles will get \$30 for expenses. Email bjcp@thecask.org for more info. <p>CASK Social Activities Resume</p>