

## Competition Connection

by Tom Byrnes

This month we conducted our first annual Deadhead brewing contest. This was an interesting contest in that the brewers had to not only consider style but also a relationship to Jerry and that infamous band. The judges were proud to complete their task in sorting through the entries.



The winners for the First ever Dead Head Brewing contest were:

### First Place:

**CJ & Diane** with Casey Jones Robust Porter

### Second Place:

**Doug Boyd** with Stout Boy Imperial Stout

Remember any member is welcome to come to the judging's. This is a way to learn about the styles and help your brewing. Besides you get to drink good homebrew two days per month. We do, however, ask members to be sure their entries conform to the BCJP guidelines. These can be accessed at [www.beertown.org](http://www.beertown.org)

As you may know this year we have started **The Briess Cup HRBTS Homebrewer of the Year Award**. Points are given to homebrewers who enter and win club contests. Additional points can be awarded for brewing at least 5 gallons of beer for special club events. These events will always be announced in advance to allow maximum participation. A trophy will be given in January of 2002 for the prior year. As part of our agreement with Briess Malting the standings will be posted in our monthly news letters and on our club website. The current standings are listed below:

## BRIESS CUP 2001 STANDINGS

BREWER	CUMULATIVE POINTS
Chris/Diane	23
Doug Boyd	17
Tom Byrnes	5
Victor Perrotti	4
Kurt Haywood	4
George Amberman	3
Rich Sens	3
Mike Pensinger	3
Brian Cherry	2
Mike Marshburn	2
Ernie Lang	1
Sammy Samoluk	1

The board has agreed to award 4 Briess Cup points to any brewer who brews and brings at least 5 gallons to the club picnic in September. However no brewer will receive credit for more than two batches. Briess Malting has been kind enough to sponsor this award, so please look for their products at your local homebrew retailer.

Apparently there has been some confusion about the upcoming change in the judging schedule. Although we sent out a clarification, we wanted to repeat this change. From now on all beers will be judged prior to the meeting that they are featured. This means that California Common and Oktoberfest beers will be judged in September, Mild/Pale Ales in October, Strange Brews in November, Holiday Ales in December and Barley Wines in January. Please feel free to email me with your questions and concerns.

The following are the remaining AHA Club only contests for the year: October: California Common, December: Mild Ale. Please plan your schedules accordingly to have these styles for our club contests in September and November respectively. Since the AHA has tentatively announced their club only contest for next year, we will soon develop the BOTM schedule for 2002. If you have any input let me know.

## Upcoming Beers of the Month

<i>September:</i> California Common * <i>October:</i> Oktoberfest <i>November:</i> Mild/ Pale Ale **	<i>December:</i> Strange Brew <i>January:</i> Holiday Ales <i>February:</i> Barley Wine
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\* Winner goes to AHA Club Only Contest  
\*\* AHA Contest is for Mild Ale only



## The Meeting Place

by Diane Catanzaro

The **Wednesday, September 5** meeting will be held in Norfolk's Ghent section, at the home of Chris Jones and Diane Catanzaro at 7:30 PM. Weather permitting, we will meet in the courtyard (out back). You can bring commercial beers as well as your homebrews. The Beer of the Month is California Common.

## Important Reminder

Please bring homebrew only to all restaurant meetings. **DO NOT** bring commercial beers to restaurant meetings so that the club and the restaurant are in compliance with Virginia ABC laws. Commercial beers may be purchased at the restaurant. **Commercial beers may be brought to home-based meetings only.** The August meeting is a home based meeting!

## September Specials

### Virginia Beach Homebrew Hobbies

BREISS TWO. ROW GRAINS ( Pale Malt, Pale Ale Malt and Pilsen Malt ) are \$ 30.00 a sack 50 LB !

All wine ingredient kits in stock are 50 % off !

30% off select lme can kits !

Virginia Beach Homebrew hobbies is located at 3700 Shore Drive, Suite 101 in Virginia Beach. Phone: 757-318-7600

# Money Central

by Tom Byrnes

As you may know I have assumed the role of acting treasurer until the next election. Melissa has done a fine job and I am very grateful for her hard work and dedication.

Here is the current treasurers report:

Balance Forward	\$465.22
Revenues	\$38.00
Subtotal	\$503.22
Expenses	\$9.06
Subtotal	\$494.16
Reserve for Breiss Cup	(\$60.00)
Available Balance	\$434.16

This month we had some interesting raffle donations. DCS Enterprises, a Marketpro Computer Show vendor, donated 5 boxed copies of Michael Jackson's Beer Hunter Program, CAMRA donated some collectible posters from the Great Britain Brew Festival that are not readily available in the USA. These posters are in the line of PETA's fur advertisements. CAMRA is a British organization dedicated to the preservation of "Real Ale" They publish some interesting books like Brewing British Ale, Brewing Real Ale, and Brewing European Ale, ask our club libeerian about these titles. We also have some really neat micro brew posters from Texas. Any of these will grace your brewing rooms; so don't forget to support your club raffle. Thanks to these vendors for their generosity. Also thanks to all of the members who donated prizes. Remember if any member has gently used equipment or excess ingredients; please consider donating these to the raffle. It would be appreciated. Donations can be brought to the meetings.

Finally please remember your club if you change your email address or service provider. We rely on email to keep members up to date between newsletters. Change can be submitted either to Curt or me ([kmstfb2@exis.net](mailto:kmstfb2@exis.net)).

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## About the HRB&TS

The Hampton Roads Brewing and Tasting Society is dedicated to promoting the enjoyment of homebrewing. The annual dues are \$15 per individual and \$20 per family. Members are encouraged to support the responsible enjoyment of beer and observe the beverage laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia. Persons attending HRB&TS meetings and events are solely liable for actions attendant to their participation. HRB&TS Maintains a NO SMOKING policy at all meetings so that members may better enjoy fine beers. Smoking is permitted during restaurant meetings in designated smoking areas.

Visit the HRB&TS on-line at: <http://groups.hamptonroads.com/hrbts>

