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The Greater Everett Brewer's League Newsletter

The purpose of The Greater Everett Brewers League is to promote and educate homebrewers in the production of craft-style homebrewed beers. As an AHA social club, we improve members' brewing skills by providing mentoring and networking to fellow brewers, promoting BJCP judging, providing evaluation and competition entry information, as well as promoting the local craft beer movement.

2023 Calendar

July 22	annual picnic	
August 14	bring gadgets to display, describe	Gadget Night!
September 11	judging	IPA Beer Judging
October 9	judging, cookies!	Cookies & Beer Pairing, Fresh Hop Beer Judging

July Meeting Recap

The main event at our July meeting was wheat beer judging, once again led by our VP Dan Hansen. Here are the results that Dan sent out a few weeks ago by email:

Brewer	Shelley Albright	Kerry Kerston	Jim Trimble
Style	25b	25b	25b
Avg	35.8	31.3	32.0
Max	46	43	39
Min	28	24	23
Ranking	1	3	2
Flight #	A	C	B

August Meeting

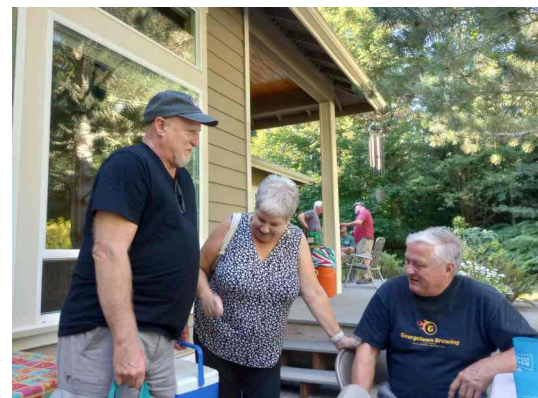
August will be gadget night! More information will be sent by email.



Annual Picnic



The picnic was held at Pete and Susan Stachowiak's house on Saturday, July 22. There were about 25 GEBL members attending, and the food and beer were a hit! Here are a few pictures courtesy of Jackie Trimble.





2023 Fresh Hop Competition

The second annual GEBL Fresh Hop Best in Show Competition is coming up. We'll judge our own member entries at our October 9 meeting, with the best going forward to the broader competition on October 14 at Sound 2 Summit Brewery. This is your and our chance to get the Fresh Hop Competition Belt back!

The rules are simple:

1. Beer must contain at least 50% fresh hops
- The term "Fresh Hops" refers to freshly harvested hops (per the BA Guidelines: Such hops might be undried fresh or frozen cones or ground material, or, freshly kilned dried cones or pellets)



- Other hops may be used in the beer but the primary flavor and/or aroma character of the hops MUST be from the current year's hop harvest.
2. Beer must be homebrewed (not commercial)
 3. Beer can be any style

The October 14 competition will be judged using the 2021 Brewers Association Fresh Hop Guidelines.

Full information is already on our web site (<https://gebl.org/fresh-hop-competition/>). More in the September newsletter and email. Keep hoppin.



Black Is Beautiful, Volume 2

For the second year in a row, the National Black Brewers Association is sponsoring a same-brew fundraiser. This is set up for individual breweries to brew the same recipe, (for this year a hazy IPA) get the word out, label and sell the beer and pledge \$1 per beer sold to the National Black Brewers Association. Last year more than 1,200 breweries nationwide – including many in Washington – brewed Black is Beautiful Volume 1 and supported this cause. You can find more information on their web site as well as the recipes for Volume 1 and this year's Volume 2. Here's a link to the web site, which also has information about the National Black Brewers Association and what they do. <https://blackisbeautiful.beer/>

Encourage your local breweries to consider participating in this worthwhile effort.



Blasts From the Past

A long-term assignment is to scan all our past newsletters so we have a non-paper archive. This provides a rare opportunity to read many of these back issues, including the period of time our newsletter was named "The Brewer's League Journal". Looking for the authors of many of the past classic newsletter articles, I came across these names which for some reason do not show up on our current membership list.

Anna Banana Old Peculiar Ingrid Brewmore The Shaggy D.A.
John Boy Iambic Pentameter Hop Maniac

and finally, Murgatroid L. Schmucklump

Evergreen State Fair Entries and Judging/Stewarding

We are closing in on entry days for the Evergreen State Fair Competition! We will be at the Fairgrounds in Monroe from Noon to 6:00 pm on Sunday the 30th and from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Monday the 31st to receive your entries. The Fair's ShoWorks entry system (<https://egreen.fairwire.com>) had already closed by the time this newsletter is being sent out, but we do have a paper form available so we can take your entries; or change your entries throughout this week (until Thursday, August 3rd)

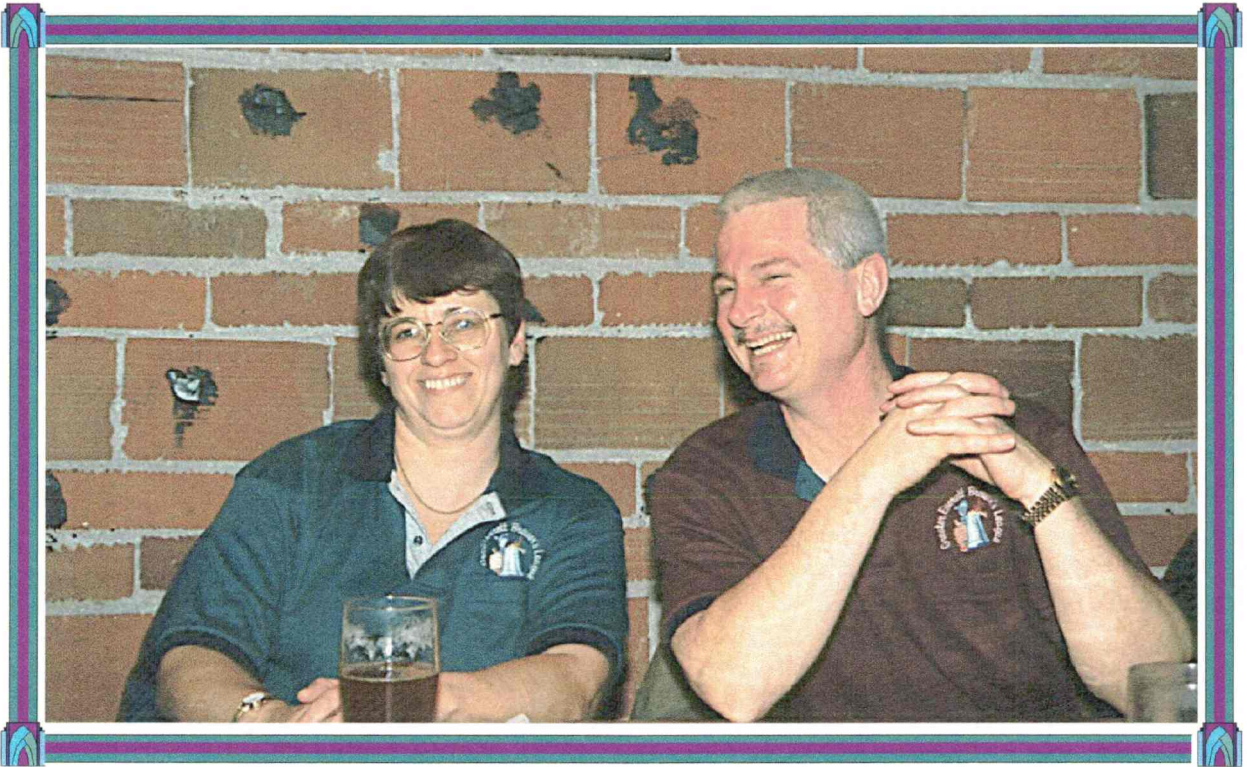
I also take entries at my house (2105 Lombard Avenue, Everett) and there is a cooler on the back porch. Through Thursday, August 3rd.

I am also looking for volunteers to judge or steward for the beer judging event on Saturday, August 12 and for mead and cider judging on Sunday, August 13. We feed you lunch and we pay judges in money or Fair tickets, stewards in Fair tickets, and everyone has fun!

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Photo of the Month

This month our photo features two of our current GEBL officers: Shelley and Gary Albright. Browsing through the June 1999 issue of The Brewer's League Journal we found an article "**Super Brewer!!!! "You Go Girl"**" noting Shelley's recent brewing accomplishments: First with her Stout and making it to the Best-of-Show Round at the Cascadia Cup, winning the McMenamins ale contest, and placing first with her ESB and first overall at the Boeing Club Challenge. Picture is on the next page.



Just like Gary, you'd be all smiles too if you had a brewer like Shelley in your family.

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