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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.

Upcoming Calendar

Month	Brew	Comments
January	Amber & Brown Ales	Judging
February	Beer & Food Pairings	
March	Session Beers	Judging

The full schedule for the year through January 2026 is on the last page.

December Meeting Recap

The December meeting was all about food, drink and the sometimes crazy gift exchange – followed by a surprise folded paper airplane competition, The meeting is best told in pictures. Many members had to pick replacement gifts since stealing gifts was the rule and not the exception!































































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January 2025 Meeting

Our next meeting will be Monday, January 13. The main event will be judging of amber and brown ales. Bring the usual bottles for judging (3 12-oz bottles or 2 22-oz bottles or a growler).

Officer Transition Meeting 2024-2025

On December 12 the outgoing and incoming GEBL board members met to set the tasting and judging schedule for the coming year and make a few decisions. Here are the key decisions:

- 1. Approved budget for 2025 (financial report and 2025 budget next page).
- 2. Adopted the tasting and judging schedule for the coming year (last page).
- 3. Jim Trimble was chosen as Brewer of the Year for outstanding results in the monthly tastings (every one of them!) along with his ongoing dedication and service to the club. (updated brewers of the year since 1999 later in the newsletter)
- 4. Honorary GEBL members for 2025 are Doug and Christine Milnor (S2S) Adam Frantz (S2S), R.J. Whitlow (5 Rights) and Kevin Sullivan (BSG).
- 5. Rising Star Award: The Board decided to add a new recognition award for GEBL member that has recently joined the club (3 years or less) and shown great enthusiasm for learning about brewing and making strides in their own brewing journey.

GEBL 2024 Financial Report		2024	Approved
	Actual	Budget	2025 Budget
US Bank 1/1/24 balance	\$ 1,783.55	\$ 1,784	\$ 1,020
PayPal 1/1/24 balance	\$ 375.56	\$ 296	\$ 715
2024 beginning balance	\$2,159.11	\$ 2,080.00	\$ 1,735
2024 expenses			
WA non-profit filing fee	\$ 20.00	\$ 20	\$ 20
Club liability insurance	\$ 308.66	\$ 425	\$ 340
S2S thank you gift	\$ 200.00	\$ 200	\$ 200
Website fees	\$ 332.94	\$ 275	\$ 335
PayPal fees	\$ 18.65	\$ 25	\$ 20
Room rental for holiday party + supplies			
Buy fresh hops from S2S for members	\$ 140.00		
Fresh hop belt engraving	\$ 27.42	\$ 100	\$ 30
Club equipment repair	\$ 29.33		\$ 30
Shipping beer and misc supplies		\$ 25	\$ -
Beer purchases and supplies for tastings at mtgs	391.4	\$ 200	\$ 375
2024 total expenses	\$ 1,468.40	\$ 1,270	\$ 1,350
2024 Income			
Dues collected	\$ 632.00	\$ 840	\$ 650
Club members bought fresh hops to brew	\$ 147.00		
Fresh Hop entry fees	\$ 40.00	\$ 50	\$ 50
Club raffes	\$ 121.00	\$ 400	\$ 125
silent auctions	\$ 105.00	\$ 250	\$ 150
2024 total Income	\$ 1,045	\$ 1,540	\$ 975
2024 Nov end Balances			
US Bank	\$1,020.98		
PayPal	\$ 714.73		
2024 YTD ending balance	\$ 1,735.71	\$ 2,350	\$ 1,360

GEBL Brewers of the Year

Year	Brewer(s)	
1999	Shelley Albright	
2000	Eric Holcomb	
2001	Fred Farris & Shelley Albright	
2002	Fred Farris	
2003	Shelley Albright	
2004	Lori Brown	
2005	Lori Brown	
2006	Will Fredin	
2007		
2008	Will Fredin	
2009	Dan Hansen	
2010	Dan Hansen	
2011		
2012	Roger Kee	
2013	Tavish & Laura Sullivan	
2014	Jim Trimble	
2015	Will Fredin & Jim Trimble	
2016	Brad Brown	
2017		
2018	Jesse Free	
2019		
2020	Jesse Free	
2021	Jim Trimble	
2022	Ray & Vicki Garcia	
2023	Will Fredin	
2024	Jim Trimble	

2025 Tasting/Judging Schedule

Month	Brew	Comments
January	Amber & Brown Ales	Judging
February	Beer & Food Pairings	
March	Session Beers	Judging
April	Speaker	
May	Wheat Beers	Judging
June	Same Recipe Pale Ales	
July	IPA	Judging
August	Guess That Beer!	
September	Any Kveik Brews	Judging
Sept/Oct	Fresh Hop competition	
October	Lager Talk	
November	Belgian Beers	Judging
December	Potluck Dinner/Gift Exchange,	
	Big Beer Challenge	
January 2026	Open Lagers	Judging

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