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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

2026 Tasting/Judging/Event Schedule

Month	Brew	Comments
November	Porters & Stouts	Judging
December	Potluck Dinner/Gift Exchange	
January 2027	German Beers	Judging

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October Meeting By Lori Brown

We had a very small crowd of about 12. Will had a great presentation on Other Fermentables with plenty of tasty samples. The Greys also brought a couple of sauerkrauts. There were 3 sauerkrauts paired with sausages, kimchi and noodles, three different pickles, and 3 pepper sauces with tortilla chips.



Fresh Hop competition - Lori and Pete judged 3 GEBL entries and Will Fredin's was selected to represent our club next Saturday, October 24th.

November Meeting

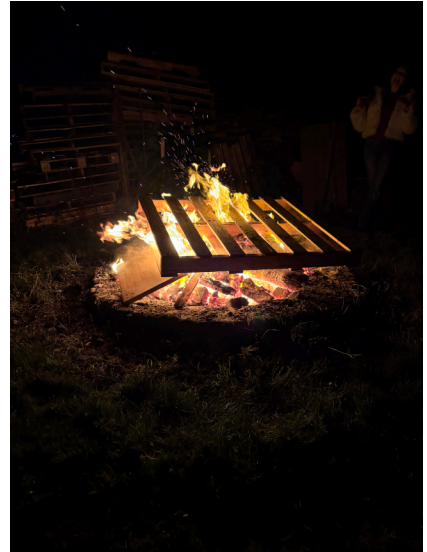
Focus of the November 9 meeting will be judging of porters and stouts. More info in a separate email.

GEBL 30th Birthday Party



The party was hosted by Jim and Jackie Trimble, attended and enjoyed by a number of GEBL members. In addition to these few pictures (thanks to Darin, Dixie and Phil), Pete also created a slideshow highlighting some key points in the past 30 years. It's a large file and we will post to the web site after this newsletter is sent out.

From Pete: *I put together this 30th anniversary slideshow for the birthday party. Dan Stilwell who had a treasure chest of club pictures over the years, was a great contributor.. There's a back story to many of the pictures. If you'd like to hear it, catch me at one of the next meetings. Sorry if some of the pictures are a bit blurry from the first 10 years but that was the best quality I had. If you look closely at some of the pictures you may recognize a "younger version" of several current members. Hope you enjoy.*



For the 30th party, Lori was able to recover a working link to the GEBL "Cover of the Brew Your Own" video from the 2012 National Homebrewer's Conference in Bellevue. We aired it at the party. Here's a link to that 3+ minute video:

https://web.archive.org/web/20171108082607oe_/https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nEezFgUfZCk&gl=US&hl=en

2026 GEBL Fresh Hop Competition Recap

By Tim McTee

We wrapped up this year's inter-club Fresh Hop Competition, and we had a great turnout from clubs across the region. With seven different entries—ranging from single-hop Pales to West Coast IPAs and Hazy DIPAs—there was a lot of great beer on the table.

Results & Standings

Here is how the panel of guest judges ranked the entries:

- 🏆 **1st Place: Browns Point Homebrew Club**
 - **Beer:** Double IPA (*Dolcita Hops*)
 - **Judge Notes:** Impressed the judges with a standout peach and coconut hop profile, balanced sweetness, full mouthfeel, and excellent hop saturation.

- 🥈 **2nd Place: Peninsula Fermentation Club**
 - **Beer:** IPA (*Citra Hops*)
 - **Judge Notes:** Highlighted by great clarity, solid carbonation, and a clean malt bill that allowed classic fresh hop varietal resin to shine through like an old-school fresh hop IPA.
- 🥉 **3rd Place: Stilly Mashers**
 - **Beer:** Pale Ale (*Cascade & Centennial Hops*)
 - **Judge Notes:** Bright fresh hop nose with floral and spicy notes, delightful hop saturation, and a crisp, well-attenuated finish.

Rest of the Field:

- **4th Place: Puyallup Brew Crews** – American IPA (*Citra Hops*)
- **5th Place: Rubber Band Brewing** -Unknown style, hops
- **6th Place: GEBL** – Pale Ale (*Homegrown Hops*)
- **7th Place: NORWA Homebrewers** – (*Comet Hops*)

Big Thanks to Our Judges

We really appreciate our guest judges taking the time to share their expertise and sensory feedback with us. Thanks to:

- **Troy Brown & Mike Green** (*Skookum Brewery*)
- **RJ Whitlow** (*5 Rights Brewing*)
- **Erik Andresen** (*U-Neek*)

Their notes gave everyone who entered some great insight into how their fresh hop beers turned out.

Thanks to Our Drop-Off Spot Partners

Getting all these entries collected from around the region takes a team effort. Thank you to the GEBL members who picked up entries. A big shoutout to the local shops and owners who let us use their spots as drop-off hubs:

- **Jon Sleight** – *Jon's Homebrew and Wine Supply* (Puyallup)
- **Cory DeJong** – *Micro Homebrew* (Kenmore)
- **Ben Holm** – *Northwest Brewers Supply* (Burlington)
- **Doug Milnor** – *Sound to Summit Brewing*

Thanks again to everyone who brewed, submitted an entry, or helped judge this year.



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