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Ok, So here are some meeting notes from last week.

At the September 9th meeting we held an election to fill the void caused by Noah and his wife taking an amazing offer for her to complete her Grad School in Colorado. It is now Official you have all made me your Lord and Master, err, I mean Club President.

There was discussion of lots of upcoming competitions. There are a lot of them and I won't bother to list them because I'll miss them. If you interested in the competitions pop over to the <u>BAM website</u> for a full listing.

We talked a bit about NCHF coordination.

We discussed having an official presence at the Oaktober fest on October 3rd. Lee offered to organize our attendance so email him if you would like to show up and talk to people about home-brewing, help with a brewing demo, or just hang out with Bammers and members of DOZE.

For those that don't like German food and Music, the 3rd is also the day of the Oyster BBQ. Jim Files has info on the BBQ if you are interested in going to that so shoot him an email for further details.

We also brought up the next BAM Brewout. Tentatively scheduled for November 27th. We will discuss this further at the next meeting, but if anyone has any opinions about this date let me know. Seriously, Give us some feed back if you think this a good date or a bad date.

Now for the two Biggies.

World Cup. Short Version: It's big, and it's going to get bigger. And it is BAM show. We are looking for people that want to get involved and make this thing kick ass. We have a bunch of positions Organizer, Registrar, Judge Coordinator, Cellar Master, Head Steward, Swag Collector, and Food Coordinator. We want around 3 assistants/apprentices for each one of these positions. The Goal is if we get lots of people involved, everyone but Dave Blank has less they have to do. If things follow the same trend as the past few years, there could be around 900 entires this year. That is just a testament to how awesome we are, and to the things we strive for as a Club. Because of that Number, please start saving any longneck bottle totes and cases you get and bring them to the meetings and we can collect them. If we hit that 900 entry number, that is 2700 bottles to have to haul around.

Also, if we don't have people volunteering we will have another position open for Jackboot Squad Leader. Just kidding.*

The Main Event of the night was Arlyn John's Presentation on Belgian Ales. It was rather impressive. It even had me thinking about brewing a Belgian for a minute or two. We haven't gotten the pretty version up on the website yet, but Here is the link to the information he was giving out. I'm not going to try to say anything fancy about this, it was just damn good information.

Brew one up for the club competition in December. Or Don't. Just Brew. But most importantly, bring your homebrew to the meetings and share.

This brings me to another thing. Someone brought a Blonde Ale to the meeting and forgot a few bottles of it when they left. I stole them. My wife requests you bring and forget another bottle or two next meeting as well. It was good. The color and clarity were both spot on, and my only suggestions are purely from a personal taste standpoint. Maybe try a little more flavoring hop, or a touch less malt. Overall it was really good.

Our next meeting is October 14th at Linden St.

We hope to see everyone there. We have at least 3 new members since the last meeting, and one person that is doing their first brew. Bring it in and pass it around. Don't be intimidated, we are all here to brew better beer.

BAM President Will Bauer

*No i'm not. I'll do it.