

Bay Area Mashers April 2016 Meeting Minutes

Introduction of the [Bay Area Mashers](#) - Matt Youngblut (Vice President of BAM)

- Matt introduced who and what the Bay Area Mashers are about and what we do. The BAM web site is a good source of information for what the BAM club does. Explained how to [join BAM](#) and the benefits of joining.
- BAM is a non-profit homebrewing club with a membership based in the Northern California East Bay (Oakland, Berkeley area) that was formed in June 1990. BAM's main goal is to promote the practice of better brewing and to have fun while doing it. The club consists of everyone from novice brewers to nationally ranked BJCB judges and current and ex commercial brewers. Several members own brew supply shops, and many have gone on to become professionally involved with beer and beer brewing (Oak Barrel Winecraft in Berkeley, Coast Range Brewing in Gilroy, Buffalo Bill's in Hayward, 21st Amendment in San Francisco, Rock Bottom in Long Beach.) Many members of BAM have received numerous awards in local and national homebrew competitions.

BAM emails - if you aren't receiving the BAM emails, please renew your membership at the Oak Barrel or at the [BAM web site](#).

The Club had the new Club Hoodies for sale next month (July)

The [Style of the Quarter](#) (Wheat) was due June 2nd.

Jon asked if anyone went to the [Session Fest](#) = Saturday May 21st 1:00 - 5:00 PM Jack London area of Oakland. Keefer lead a BAM Club brewing demonstration at the event

Tracey asked for a moment of silence [to remember Lee Shepard](#).

This month is nominations month where we nominate members to fill the 5 seats of the executive committee

- Here are the roles
 - President
 - Vice President
 - Secretary

- Executive committee member #4
- Executive committee member #5
- Here's the process
 - If you would like to volunteer to take on one of these roles, email ec@bayareamashers.org **before June 23rd (2 weeks)**. Include a short statement about who you are and/or why you would like to fill the role you're nominating yourself for
 - If you would like to nominate someone else, email them and ec@bayareamashers.org saying you'd like to nominate them. That person will then need to reply to the Executive Committee saying they accept and giving their candidate statement.
 - June 23rd voting will open with an email to the members. Voting will close July 13th and the new executive committee will be announced on July 14th at the July BAM meeting. Voting will be done over email (instructions will be sent out on the 23rd)

Annual dues will be collected next month at the July meeting. Cash and credit card accepted.

Paul mentioned that the [California State Fair](#) needs more high level judges.

Technical Presentation - Alex Tweet of Fieldwork Brewing presented Stouts