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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE GREAT NORTHERN BREWERS CLUB

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by *Kerri Canepa*

Welcome back! What a fabulous summer; lots of sun and warmth for a change!

This summer was full of beer opportunities – the Haines Beer Festival with both Alaska and Yukon crafted beers available, Denali Brewing Company (Talkeetna) and Gold Rush Brewery (Skagway) opening their doors, Firetap Alehouse joining the ranks of good beer in South Anchorage and the Duchesse de Bourgogne FINALLY back on tap at Café Amsterdam! Those are just things I can think of right off the top of my head! I hope everyone had their own exciting beer adventures and will share them socially at our September "Welcome Back" club meeting on Tuesday September 15 at the Snow Goose Restaurant and Sleeping Lady brewing Company's downstairs (basement) facility starting at 7 pm.

And speaking of the club meeting, I'll admit we've gotten lax. We say the meetings start at 7 but, well, we dribble in and visit and finally get rounded up by 8 pm. Maybe. While some of us have flexibility with our evening time, many of our members do not and we're doing those members a disservice. For the September meeting (and future meetings as well) we'll gather at 6:30 for some social time and then at 7 we'll begin the business portion. The "Twenty Minute Rule" (established by the late, great former President Doug Simpson) will be in effect and all business will be covered in 20 minutes or less (I have someone assigned to be time keeper). Immediately after the business portion Breck, our illustrious treasurer (and damn fine brewer), will be giving a presentation on Rauch (or Smoked beer). It will be a multi-media event with photos, smoked grains to check out and even some classic beers to sample. "I am going to be talking about the history of smoke beer, classic examples, how to smoke malt and how to brew smoke beer," says Breck. You don't want to miss this!

The annual GNBC Club Elections loom ahead. In November, you will be afforded a chance to both participate in the management of our fine club and vote for others that you deem worthy of filling the important positions of club officers, board members and other positions that it takes to make this club run. I can't highlight enough the importance of your participation in the club through the contribution of your skills, time and effort. Please read the associated article within these pages.

Also in this newsletter you'll find information about various competitions (Equinox Mead, Queen of Beer and Big Fish), Brewer of the Year standings, a review of the Anchortown Invitational competition results, an excellent introduction to officer positions within the club and upcoming elections, upcoming events and more. Much looms ahead. If you're a new member or new recipient of this newsletter, pay particular attention to the events calendar on page 3 for the announcement of both club and non-club related happenings around town.

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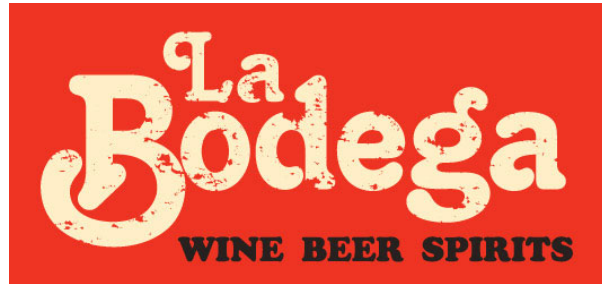
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Please pay attention to the meeting setup, food and breakdown article within this newsletter and pay particular attention to the little block on page 4 of the newsletter to see where your responsibilities lie in orchestrating our monthly meetings.

Summer was grand and we'll all miss it but there's so much coming up that will grab your attention that, next thing you know, it will be time for the Beer and Barleywine festival. Hang on to your hats and here we go!



Re-Cap of the Second Annual Anchor Town Invitational Homebrew Competition

By John Trapp

The second annual Anchortown Invitational HBC went off without a hitch. We had 42 entries for the competition, which I think is a little low for a club like ours, but I'll chalk that up to a busy summer. And we had 15 or 16 judges show up on Sunday afternoon to lend a hand (or palate) in judging those beers. When it was all said and done, one beer stood up above the rest. Congratulations go out to Todd Rock for winning Best of Show Beers with a Belgian Pale Ale. For Best of Show Meads and Ciders, I took that title with a Semi-Sweet Traditional Mead.

But wait, there's more, this year we've added a special side prize, courtesy of Pete and Lisa at Arctic Brewing Supply. It's called the Brass Tap Award. This year it goes to Ted Rosenzweig, who averaged higher points on his score sheets than anyone else. Way to go Ted. And of course everyone should say thank you to Ken and Shauna Pajak for hosting this event at Café Amsterdam. We couldn't have done it without you.

Here are the results from this year's event:

Category: AMBER HYBRID BEER			
Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name
2	Flash Lubitsh-White		California Common Beer

Category: AMERICAN ALE			
Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name
2	Todd Rock		American Pale Ale

Category: BELGIAN AND FRENCH ALE			
Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name
1	Todd Rock		Belgian Pale Ale Best of Show Beers
2	Flash Lubitsh-White		Biere de Garde
3	Todd Rock		Witbier

EVENTS

Category: BELGIAN STRONG ALE

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
1	Flash Lubitsh-White		Blegian Blond Ale	
2	Ted Rosenzweig		Belgian Dubbel	
3	Ted Rosenzweig		Belgian Tripel	

Category: BOCK

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
1	John Trapp		Maibock/Helles Bock	

Category: DARK LAGER

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
1	John Trapp		Schwarzbier (Black Beer)	

Category: ENGLISH PALE ALE

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
2	Flash Lubitsh-White		Special/Best/Premium Bitter	

Category: FRUIT BEER

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
1	Starrsky Stubbs		Fruit Beer	
2	Todd Rock		Fruit Beer	
3	Starrsky Stubbs		Fruit Beer	

Category: GERMAN WHEAT AND RYE

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
1	Todd Rock		Roggenbier (German Rye Beer)	
2	Flash Lubitsh-White		Weizen/Weissbier	
3	Todd Rock		Dunkelweizen	

Category: INDIA PALE ALE (IPA)

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
1	Ted Rosenzweig		Imperial IPA	
2	David Aguilar		American IPA	
3	Flash Lubitsh-White		Imperial IPA	

Category: LIGHT HYBRID BEER

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
2	Flash Lubitsh-White		Kolsch	

Category: PILSNER

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
2	Flash Lubitsh-White		German Pilsner (Pils)	

Category: PORTER

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
1	Jay Johnson		Robust Porter	

Category: SMOKE-FLAVORED AND

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
2	Todd Rock		Other Smoked Beer	

Category: SOUR ALE

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
1	Todd Rock		Berliner Weisse	
2	Todd Rock		Fruit Lambic	

Category: SPECIALTY BEER

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
1	Starrsky Stubbs		Specialty Beer	

Category: STOUT

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
1	Todd Rock		Sweet Stout	
2	Starrsky Stubbs		Russian Imperial Stout	
3	Flash Lubitsh-White		Dry Stout	

Every First Thursday

Moose's Tooth First Tap

Every Friday

Midnight Sun Brewery Tours and Brew Debut: 6:00 PM 344-1179

14.....*South East Alaska's Autumn Pour Homebrew Competition Deadline Drop off Entries at Alaskan Brewing Co. (Deadline)*

16.....*South East Alaska's Autumn Pour Homebrew Competition at Alaskan Brewing Co.*

19.....*South East Alaska's Autumn Pour Homebrew Competition Awards at Juneau Arts & Culture Center*

19.....*Celestial Meads Open House (TIME TBD)*

25.....*Entries Accepted for Equinox Mead Competition at Celestial Meads 5:30 - 7:30 pm*

26.....*Equinox Mead Competition at Celestial Meads: Noon - 3 pm*

03.....*Glacier Brewhouse Oktoberfest Beer Train (Alaska Railroad) 4-8 pm*

10.....*Bernie's Bungalow Lounge Anti-Prohibition Costume Party (Time/Cost TBD)*

14.....*Celestial Meads/Muse Mead Dinner - Alaska Museum of Natural History (Time/Cost TBD)*

17/18.....*Matanuska Beer and Barley Wine Festival (Time/Cost TBD)*

Category: STRONGALE

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
1	Ted Rosenzweig	American Barleywine	Mead and Cider	

Category: MELOMEL (FRUIT MEAD)

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
1	John Trapp	Other Fruit Melomel		

Category: TRADITIONAL MEAD

Place	Brewer	Other Brewers	Subcategory Name	Best of Show
1	John Trapp	Semi-Sweet Mead		Best of Show Meads and Cider
2	John Trapp	Sweet Mead		



Brewer of the Year

by *Flash*

For as long as I have been in the club Jason Ditsworth has ruled as brewer of the year. This year Jason has cut back on competing which has given a few of us others a chance to try for this position. Currently Flash is in number one positions with Todd Rock running close second and Steven Jayich on his heels. Full details can be found here. <http://www.greatnorthernbrewers.org/competitions.html>

For those who may not be aware of this competition, here is how it works. There are five home brewing competitions during the year in Anchorage plus the Nationals from which you can earn points. Each competition has four particular beer styles which you can earn points for. Achieving first place in any qualified category gets you six points, second place earns four points and third place earns two points. If you win best of show within one of the four chosen categories you get eight points. You only get to keep the highest points in each category. For example if you win a first place and a third place in say Porters.. you get six points, not eight.

If you enter as a team you both get full points. Don't worry; you don't split them. But you only get the highest points won in that category even if you switch off lead brewer.

We may be dropping the Nationals as a point generator, so you don't have to worry next year about going bankrupt shipping beer out of state.

Last years prize was an oversized beer mug with the winners name engraved into it. We will be increasing the prize to encourage more members to enter. Standings for the year are posted on the website along with the categories for entry.

Keep an eye out for the categories that will be chosen for next year's competition. You'll want to have them so you can fill in your brew calendar.

The remaining competitions within which you can earn Brewer of The Year points are: Equinox Mead and Humpys Big Fish Homebrew Competition. If you have any questions or want to see the updated points list you can drop me a line at flash@ce2engineers.com. Good luck to everyone.

Club Elections

by Breck Tostevin

We will be having club elections in November and all of the officer and four director positions are open this year.

Ira, Kerri, Bruce, Flash, Don and Carl will not be running for re-election. I thank them for their service to the club. Since we are a volunteer organization, it is the efforts of our officers, directors and club members that make this club function.

Lots of people have ideas about what they would like to see the club do but the only way it is going to happen is for YOU TO DO IT YOURSELF. As I say at work, "There are people who go to meetings, and then there are those people who get things done."

I wanted to encourage both long-term and newer members to run for a club position and/or take on a club project. Since I have held all of the positions in the club at one time or another, I thought I would give you a description of what they do.

President: The President is the master organizer of the club and our leader. The President provides direction and achieves club goals and objectives with and through the officers, board members and general club membership. The President organizes the agenda for club meetings including the business items and educational presentations. The President looks down the road six months or more to make sure events are assigned to an organizer and that events are being planned and implemented. The President writes the Prez Sez article each month to inform the membership about events and to inspire them to participate. The President runs the club meetings and board meetings. The President is ultimately the person to make sure things stay on track and in the best of circumstances inspires us to participate and improve our homebrew club.

Vice-President: The VP is the President's right hand person and is a leader in training. The VP is in a co-leadership position and works in concert with the President to provide club insight, direction and motivation. The VP is in charge of the club tote box that contains the all important beer cups, name tags, raffle tickets, plates and utensils for our meetings. You don't know how important this is until you show up at a meeting without cups. The VP steps in when the President is unable to attend board or club meetings or events.

Secretary: The Secretary is the official club recorder and historian for the club, and keeps minutes of the meetings and keeps track of dates of events and presents them in a monthly newsletter article. The Secretary takes on special projects for the President.

Treasurer: The treasurer handles and keeps track of the club finances and monies, keeps the paid membership list and email list on the club website. This is a steady job that is critical to the club's functioning and survival. I (Breck) am going to run for re-election for another year but I would be interested in training a new responsible dedicated individual to take on the Treasurer job in December 2010.

Board Members: Board Members act as participating advisors to the officers and do so by attending board meetings, writing newsletter articles and assisting in the general management of the club. Each Board Member takes on at least one special project each year (a competition, event, or project) in order to make the club function. We have five competitions and numerous events and without delegated leadership we could not support all of the activities.

The other critical position is our **Newsletter Editor**. The newsletter editor edits, format and publishes a highly professional newsletter each month that appears as a pdf link on our Club website. The editor is constantly in need of support in terms of article and photo submission from both the club management and membership. This position requires some degree of literary fluency, editing skills and the ability to perform simple newsletter layout and publication skills using popular layout software such as Adobe PageMaker or Microsoft Publisher.

MEETING SETUP		
A - J	SEZ	Setup
K - P		Cleanup
R - Z		Food
A - J	OCT	Cleanup
K - P		Food
R - Z		Setup
A - J	NOV	Food
K - P		Setup
R - Z		Cleanup

Another role the club seems to need is recruiting people to give educational presentations at our monthly meetings. There is great talent both in the club and the local brewing community: it just needs to be tapped and directed. Although a position does not exist at this time, the club is in constant need of a **Membership Coordinator** and is actively recruiting someone with great people skills to reach out to existing and potential club members to ensure they feel they have a strong presence in our club and that their input and participation is valued and recognized. This fun position would add great value to the existing club management structure, so if you are at all interested, please step forward and let an officer or board member know.

Other Opportunities: There are lots of opportunities to run or assist competitions, events, presentations, and the like. Kerri organized the Kenai Bus Trips, Dennis Urban ran the well-attended Beer Judge Certification Program Classes, Julie McDonald organizes the beer dinners, Bruce Mills, Jason Ditsworth and Mike Hartman organized the GNBC-Humpy's Golf Tournament, Tim Bisson ran the Summer Campout, Jeff Loughrey has hosted the summer BBQ for decades, Dennis Sessler ran the Fur Rondy Competition, Ira Edwards ran the Snow Goose Competition, John Trapp founded and ran the Anchortown Invitational, John and Rose hosted a decade of Brewathons, Jason Ditsworth has run Big Fish for decades and I run the Celestial Meads Equinox Mead Competition. I could go on and on.

The bottom line is that just about anyone in the club has something to contribute and the contributions don't have to originate from within the officer or board positions. This is your club and we implore you to not only bask in the club's educational, social and fermented riches but to step forward and contribute some of your own talent to support the above positions or to provide something unique. The opportunity to help shape the club in the years to come is in your hands and we need your participation and input to keep things lively for you and the other GNBC members.

Please consider running for a club position and take action to make things happen in the Great Northern Brewers Club!



Celestial Meads Equinox Mead Competition

by *Breck Tostevin*

Attention Mead Makers and Judges! The Celestial Meads Equinox Competition is Saturday, September 26. Get those meads bottled and ready. Out of state competition is already appearing on the horizon of Cook Inlet.

Entries will be accepted at Celestial Meads on Friday, September 25 from 5:30-7:30 pm. Please bring two 10 to 14 oz bottles or one 750 ml bottle and an AHA/BJCP recipe entry form for each entry. Here is a link to the form: http://www.beertown.org/homebrewing/pdf/entry_recipe.pdf

The Equinox Mead Competition is an official Brewer of the Year Event. So don't get left on the long ship on this one.

We need judges. If you are interested in learning the differences between judging mead and beer, or you are simply a mead lover, this is the event for you. We can team inexperienced judges up with more experienced judges. If you are interested in judging, please send me an email.

Judging will be held at Celestial Meads, 600 W. 58th Ave., Suite B. in Anchorage from Noon to 3 p.m. on Saturday, September 26. Please contact Breck at 884-1819 or keegan@gci.net for more information.

Queen of Beer Competition - for ladies only!

The 2009 Queen of Beer competition is just around the corner! Eligibility for participation (from the website) is as follows:

"The Queen of Beer Women's Homebrew Competition is open to all non-commercial, home brewed beer and meads produced by persons of female gender. Beer produced by or with the assistance of persons of the male gender is not eligible. "Assistance" is defined as: coaching during the brewing process, measuring ingredients, performing chemical reaction and/or timing calculations, racking, bottling or in any other way manipulating wort or fermented product. Lifting of heavy equipment or full brewing vessels, milling of grain and operation of a capper device are permitted. Female competition judges are eligible to enter in categories other than those they will be judging, since "blind tasting" will be employed in the judging process. Female competition staff members, EXCEPT cellar master and registrar are eligible to enter."

Dena Sessler and Flash Lubbitsh-White have both entered this prestigious competition in previous years but GNBC needs more representation! Ladies - dig around in your beer cellars and crawl spaces!

Entries will be accepted September 26 - October 9. For complete details, go to: <http://queenofbeer.hazeclub.org/>



Humpy's Big Fish Rides Again

by *Jason Ditsworth*

Another summer is leaving us and that means it's time to start brewing again (at least for those of us that hang up the brew paddle during the summer to fish, golf, garden, camp, hunt, etc.). This year the Humpy's Big Fish Homebrew Competition will be held on Saturday December 5. All categories of beer, mead, and cider are open for entry. This is the perfect event to raid your crawlspace for some of those well-aged barely wines, meads, and Belgian ales that you have long been waiting to try. Or, there's plenty of time between now and the competition to brew up a couple fresh batches. So, get with the program and enter for your chance at some great prizes and the opportunity to brew your beer with the Midnight Sun brew crew. Watch upcoming newsletters for more information.



GNBC meetings: Set up, Clean up, Food and other Responsibilities

by Kerri Canepa, VP

We're all volunteers in the club Great Northern Brewers is an all volunteer organization. This includes, both the officers and board members as well as the membership. We're here for the beer but we're also here to share our knowledge and appreciation of fermented beverages with others. The club functions well because everyone helps out in a variety of ways.

One of the ways members help out is to find out what their responsibility is for the monthly meeting. Some of you might be thinking "Huh? What responsibilities?" Yes, indeed, there are meeting responsibilities for all members.

What are they? First go to the top right corner of Page 4 in this newsletter. There you will see something called Meeting Setup. There are three month's worth of info information there. Depending on the first letter of your last name, your responsibilities may be to help clean up, to bring some food or to help with setup.

The Vice President (that's me) is generally responsible for making sure there are cups, napkins, and that sort of thing and that the members responsible for setup should arrive a few minutes early to help the Vice President get tables arranged, cups on tables, etc.

Members assigned to food should bring something to nibble on because while snacks are always welcome, food helps moderate alcohol consumption and most of us will be driving home afterward after sharing homebrew, mead and other alcoholic beverages. Bring anything you like - we've had chips n dip, cold cuts, pizza, wings, sausage and cheese, rather extravagant dips and bread. And some of us may not have had a chance to eat before the meeting so having some food on hand is just plain smart. Please don't assume that someone else will accomplish this task and that without your contribution that there will be enough. That's rarely the case. And who agrees that a little variety never hurts?

Members assigned to clean up will bus the tables; throw out empty bottles, used cups, napkins, etc., gather up all the Snow Goose glassware and put on one table, put extra supplies back in the big, blue tote and generally put the room back in order. We do not need to wipe down tables or sweep the floor. If you're assigned to clean up and you have to leave before the majority of the members have left, make sure to completely bus your own stuff on your way out. Don't leave your empties and trash for someone else.

So right now, go take a look at the Meeting Setup info and see what your responsibilities will be for the next couple months. Just a few minutes of your time or a handful of dollars each month helps everyone enjoy coming together to share our love of beer that much better.



Dues Notice

by Breck Tostevin

The GNBC Membership year runs from September to September. So it is time to renew your membership dues. It is \$25 and you can pay on the website through Pay Pal or by paying our club Treasurer, Breck Tostevin at the September meeting or by mailing a check to the club mailbox. If you have questions about your dues status, send me an email at keegan@gci.net.

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For new members who joined this summer, you do not have to renew your dues now. I applied your membership to the new year. So welcome to the club and we look forward to seeing you at club events.



Savannah for a Wedding

by Georgy Porgy

Over Labor day weekend, I visited Georgia to attend a friend's wedding. I've known her for years and would have felt bad to miss the wedding. With hunting season approaching, I was a bit hesitant to make the trip but then realized that Georgia has hunting opportunities also. After a quick search on the internet, tickets from cheaptickets.com, and a phone call to a guide - I was scheduled to go to Georgia for a hog hunt.

My first layover was in Houston (7:30am Houston time) where I was able to try the BBQ breakfast with a bottle of ice cold corona. The breakfast was some of the better airport food I've ever had. My layover was pretty long so I later chose to have BBQ ribs for lunch at the same venue. Again, I had a corona and was surprised that no one else seemed to appreciate a brew with their meal. I thought to myself that these other people in the airport had no idea of the possibilities of beer/food experience.... perhaps dreaming to the extent of creating an impromptu beer dinner (theme: planes, trains, and automobiles). In other words, beer helps one through the travelling experience.

Later in the day, I arrived in Savannah, picked up the rental car and drove a couple of hours to the town of Douglas Georgia. After booking into the hotel, purchasing the hunting license, it was time to find a liquor store. While they have them, they were already closed so it was off to the local quickie mart to browse the selection. I didn't find much there except macrobrews with the exception of Yuengling Lager. I bought a six pack and motored back to the hotel. The Yuengling Lager was all right in that it was probably better than the other macrobrew and malt liquor choices. Mine tasted a bit lightstruck, kind of like a cross between Heineken and Becks. I thought to myself about all the people that have told me how great Yuengling Lager is ... I would probably agree with those in Douglas GA as other wonderful craft beers just aren't available.



The following day was pretty disappointing. The beer was gone and I was supposed to be hunting. Where was the guide? After a few naps, staring at the ceiling, I finally shook hands with the guide a couple of hours before sundown.

The hunting plans evolved into a night hunt on a farm where wild hogs tear up the farmers fields. I'll save you the details of the hunt, but for other hunters out there, I ended up harvesting two feral hogs under a full moon using my bow. The pigs were baited in but pursued in a spot and stalk fashion. After a few hours of watching them skinning and quarter the pigs, it was back to Douglas for a celebration beer (Yuengling Lager) and some sleep.



I slept in the next day till about 11am and then drove towards Savannah. I was trying to find a way to get the meat frozen (with intentions of bringing it to Alaska) but had no success. It was getting late in the day, (and concerned that the meat not be wasted) so I consulted with some local soul food restaurants about giving the hog meat away ... so the meat was eventually given to the Salvation Army in Savannah. They were very helpful, polite, and appreciative.

For dinner, I was with my friends on Tybee Island and stuck with the Yuengling Lager. Other choices included Newcastle Brown and Yuengling Black and Tan. In the Georgia heat, the beer can be consumed quite quickly, so I stayed with the Lager. I took it easy but will mention that the Black and tan was a bit sweet for my tastes. The next morning, I attended the wedding and reception. From there, we left Tybee Island and went back to Savannah.

At the wedding, we heard about a craft beer festival and decided to check it out. For the first trip around the tents, I was more interested in the darker beers (stouts and porters) but enjoyed at least four witbiers. All the witbiers were enjoyable and went down easy. Our groups favorite beer was an oak aged porter? from the Old Dominion? We also enjoyed the Brooklyn Brown although it seemed to be a Scottish style instead of a brown ale. At one of the tents, they sold pint sized glasses. With a little thought, we learned that one person can carry up to four glasses per person to get them filled. After sampling what we wanted, we would get samples in our glasses, dump them into the pint (to make a big pour), and then hit the next tent. This wasn't an attempt to get drunk but rather a convenience in that we could order food, linger at the tables without having to constantly migrate from tap to tap on two to four ounces per trip.

We moved from the Beer festival about 9pm went to Downtown Savannah on kind of a short pub crawl. At this point, it was more a matter of hanging out with new and old friends, but the \$15 per bucket of oysters wasn't too shabby an experience either. The next day, we met up with the Savannah Hash House Harriers, had a run, and then went out for dinner. For the purposes of this article, I'll assume you know something about the Hash house Harriers. If you don't, I'll only add that its difficult to fault the philosophy of a loosely organized club that combines beer and drinking with a promise of some exercise. It is what it is, and it is what you make of it. Needless to say, we all had a great time. But if you would like to hear more about them, the Anchorage HHH shows up every Wednesday evening for beers at the Midnight Sun.

Overall, a hog hunt, wedding, craft brew festival, pub crawl and a HHH run made for a wonderful vacation.



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