

2009 VICTORIAN AMATEUR BREWING CHAMPIONSHIP

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: Sat 19th Sept 2009. No Late Entries.

\$10 for first entry, \$6 for subsequent entries, cheques payable to 'VICBREW'. Entries can be delivered to participating brew stores in Victoria (including *Geelong Home Brewing, Grain & Grape Yarraville, Greensborough Home Brewing Supplies, Narre Brew Supplies, Brewers Choice Woori Yallock, The Brewer's Den Boronia, Ballarat Home Brew Centre, Bendigo Home Brew Centre, Ezybrew, Raglan St., Sale and Magick Brew*) or delivered to: Mark Hibberd Ph: 9580 0372.

Judging will be on 3rd & 4th October 2009 at Belgian Beer Café Eureka, 5 Riverside Quay, Southbank Melbourne. Melways 2F E7

Rules & Information

- Maximum of 2 entries per category per brewer. Within this limit, only one entry per style. The beer style nominated must be a designated style for the category, as listed over the page. Entries open to Victorian residents only. The organisers reserve the right to reclassify a beer to a listed style. Style guidelines (to be used in the judging) available at: www.vicbrew.org
- One bottle per entry (750ml preferred) with a minimum of 500 ml beer. If necessary, provide two bottles and attach an entry form to each bottle with an additional marking as Bottle1 and Bottle2. Cost \$10 for first entry from each brewer, \$6 for each subsequent entry. Cheques payable to 'VICBREW'.
- Judging will be by blind tasting. Judges decision will be final. Completed judging sheets will be returned to brewers.
- Prizes will be awarded for the best three beers in each Category. The Sponsors of the prizes are listed over page. Beers within a Category will be judged together using the Style guidelines. (See rule 1.)
- Trophies will be awarded for the 3 highest scoring beers in each Category. In the event of tied scores, placegetters will be decided by progressive countback as follows: a) highest score for Overall Impression; b) highest score for Flavour; c) smallest spread in total scores (smallest difference between highest and lowest scores); d) the judging panel will be requested to resolve the tie.
- Champion Brewer and Best Club will be determined by the sum of points awarded: 1st: 3 points, 2nd: 2 points and 3rd: 1 point.
- Champion Beer and Best Novice will be based on the highest number of judging points received for any beer, with rule 5. to be invoked in the event of a tie.
- Best Novice Trophy is open to brewers who have not placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd in previous VicBrew accredited competitions.
- Scott Vernon Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the Club providing the greatest number of entrants.
- Brewers of the best three beers in each Category will be invited to enter that beer (or a replacement) in the National Championship to be held in Canberra on 23rd & 24th October 2009. Entry fee to VicBrew 2009 includes cost of entry to Nationals and delivery from participating Victorian brew shops.
- Recipes will be requested from placegetters to produce a recipe booklet. All entrants will receive a complimentary copy.
- Presentations for VicBrew 2009 to be made after 5 pm on Sunday 4th October.

ENTRY FORM — VICBREW 2009 Closing Date: 19th September

Please fold page or cut off entry form and **attach with rubber band** to bottle with entry details visible. Include entry fee in envelope attached to bottle.

Brewer Details (Information supplied will only be used by VicBrew.)		Organiser use only – entry #	
Brewer's Name (If multiple brewers, give primary brewer – only one name accepted)			
Address (street)		Suburb	
Email		Postcode	
Phone		Club	

Beer Details (For list of Categories & Styles within Categories, see over. Maximum of TWO entries per Category per brewer.)			
Category #	Category name	Style #	Please specify so that your beer can be judged properly.
Name of Brew (optional)		Bottle Cap ID	
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Mash	<input type="checkbox"/> Mini Mash	<input type="checkbox"/> Extract	<input type="checkbox"/> Kit Please specify kit:
Yeast Used		Original Gravity	Final Gravity
Full recipe may be requested from placegetters to produce a recipe booklet.			

Cost: \$10 for first entry from each brewer, \$6 for subsequent entries <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Cheque payable to 'VICBREW'	Payment included <input type="checkbox"/> with this entry <input type="checkbox"/> as part of a bulk payment Payment for bulk entries can be combined in a single envelope, but please include with payment a list of Brewers and Beer Entries paid for.
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Categories, Styles & Sponsors for Vicbrew 2009

Category	Styles (Beers can only be entered in the listed styles)	
1. LOW ALCOHOL (<4% ABV)	1.1 Light Australian Lager 1.2 Leichtes Weizen 1.3 Scottish Light Ale	1.4 Southern English Brown Ale 1.5 Mild Ale 1.6 English Bitter
2. PALE LAGER	2.1 Australian Lager 2.2 Australian Premium Lager 2.3 Pale Continental Lager	2.4 Munich Helles 2.5 Dortmunder
3. PILSENER	3.1 Classic American Pilsner 3.2 German Pilsner	3.3 Bohemian Pilsner
4. AMBER & DARK LAGER	4.1 Oktoberfest/Marzen 4.2 Vienna Lager 4.3 California Common Beer	4.4 North German Altbier 4.5 Munich Dunkel 4.6 Schwarzbier
5. STRONG LAGER (>6% ABV)	5.1 Strong Pale Lager 5.2 Maibock/Hellesbock 5.3 Traditional Bock	5.4 Doppelbock 5.5 Eisbock
6. PALE ALE	6.1 Cream Ale 6.2 Blonde Ale 6.3 Kölsch	6.4 Belgian Pale Ale 6.5 Australian Pale Ale 6.6 English Pale Ale
7. AMERICAN PALE ALE	7.1 American Pale Ale	
8. BITTER ALE	8.1 English Best Bitter 8.2 English Extra Special/Strong Bitter (ESB)	8.3 Düsseldorf Altbier
9. BROWN ALE	9.1 Northern English Brown Ale 9.2 Irish Red 9.3 Scottish Ale	9.4 Australian Dark/Old Ale 9.5 American Brown Ale
10. PORTER	10.1 Brown Porter 10.2 Robust Porter	10.3 Baltic Porter
11. STOUT	11.1 Dry Stout 11.2 Sweet Stout	11.3 Oatmeal Stout
12. STRONG STOUT (>6% ABV)	12.1 Australian Stout/ Foreign Extra Stout	12.2 Russian Imperial Stout
13. INDIA PALE ALE	13.1 English IPA 13.2 American IPA	13.3 Imperial IPA
14. STRONG ALE (>6% ABV)	14.1 Old Ale (English Strong Ale) 14.2 Strong Scotch Ale	14.3 English Barley wine 14.4 American Barley wine
15. BELGIAN STRONG ALE (>6% ABV)	15.1 Belgian Blond Ale 15.2 Belgian Strong Golden Ale 15.3 Tripel	15.4 Dubbel 15.5 Belgian Strong Dark Ale
16. GERMAN WHEAT & RYE BEER	16.1 Weizen/Weißbier (Wheat) 16.2 Dunkel Weizen	16.3 Weizenbock 16.4 Roggenbier (Rye)
17. FARMHOUSE ALE & WILD BEER	17.1 Witbier (White) 17.2 Saison 17.3 Biere de Garde 17.4 Flanders Red Ale 17.5 Flanders Brown Ale/Ouid Bruin	17.6 Berliner Weiß 17.7 Straight (unblended) Lambic 17.8 Gueuze 17.9 Fruit Lambic
18. SPECIALTY BEER	18.1 Fruit Beer 18.2 Spice/Herb/Vegetable Beer 18.3 Christmas/Winter Specialty Spiced Beer 18.4 Classic Rauchbier (Smoked Marzen)	18.5 Belgian Specialty Ale 18.6 Wood-aged Beer 18.7 Other Specialty
Major Awards		
19. BEST NOVICE BREWER		
20. CHAMPION BREWER		
21. CHAMPION BEER OF SHOW		
22. BEST CLUB OF SHOW		
23. SCOTT VERNON PERPETUAL TROPHY FOR BEST EXHIBITED CLUB OF SHOW		

Cider & Mead

Cider and Mead categories have been eliminated for Vicbrew 2009. Brewers of Ciders or Meads are encouraged to submit entries to the Eltham Wine Show Website at: <http://www.amateurwine.org/wineshow.htm>

						
						