

The Brewer's Bugle

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(Ain't no mean-spirited people here)

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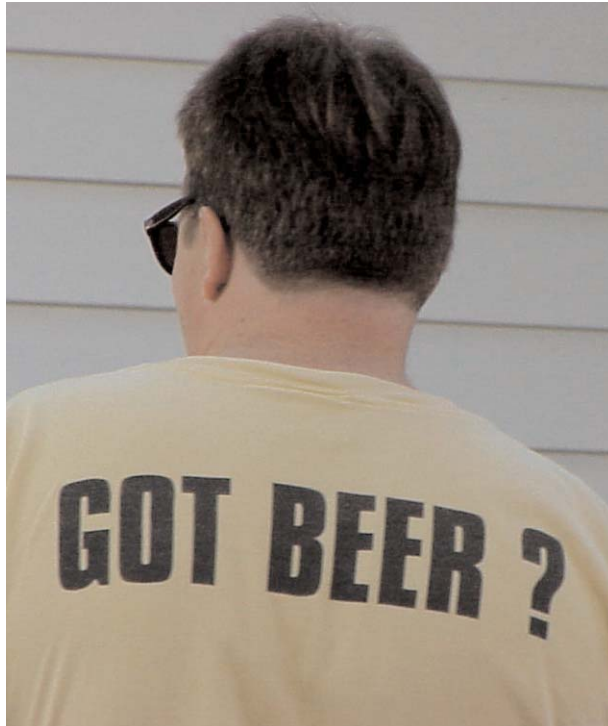
September Meeting - Wheat Beers

Wednesday, September 17, 7:30 p.m.

My Place Restaurant

8 Queen Street, Newtown, 270-7061

Directions: We all know how to get there.



The theme of the YAHOOOS picnic

Darvon's Rackings

SO I MISSED THE PICNIC AGAIN

This makes the third year in a row. Could it have been on purpose? That's for you to guess and me to know.

DO WE REALLY WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THE DE-FLOWERING OF THE NURSE?

And do we really believe that it happened in his 21st year? I would submit that it more than likely happened in the 21st hour of his life, with the baby in the next bassinets -- boy or girl, no matter.

NURSE PRAYS WITH KRAPPER

A photo in the last BUGLE shows the Nurse and Krapper together with a caption suggesting that they were sleeping together. After three weeks in Utah and Idaho, I can tell two Mormons praying together when I see it. And the Nurse claims to be a devout atheist.

HUMOR IN THE BUGLE

Lots of people do their best to put humor into the BUGLE, but the funniest item in the whole rag was in the list of homebrew competitions where Hero suggests that there is a NEHBOTY website.

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YAHOOOS GREATER THAN EVER

Last month Darvon bewailed the absence of YAHOOOS in the AHA finals as evidence that the club has seen better days, and that the members are no longer capable of brewing winning

beers. Not so! The YAHOOOS have simply become such great brewers that they are no longer interested in childish competitions. The club is now focused on innovation and special projects. John Watson has proven that he can win New England Home Brewer of the Year honors and has gone beyond conventional styles to herb, spice and cask beers; he can be found in the meadows searching for prime dandelion blossoms for truly original brews. He proved his creativity by winning the spice and herb category in last year's AHA. John and Phil Simpson occupy themselves with multi-year Lambic projects, rather than brewing for an upcoming event. Darvon himself demonstrated his creativity by dominating the queer beer categories for several competitions (of course that was only after he found that he could not win with any of the conventional categories). Tom Conti has turned his back on competitions by making only one style of beer (and drinking it all himself). Steve Victor bottles his Bières de Garde with corks, making them ineligible for competitions. While praising the pioneers in the club, Darvon notes that Phil Markowski and Ron Page have gone beyond conventional homebrewing. This is proven by the beer lists at their establishments and by Phil's being awarded the Association of Brewers Russell Schehrer Award for Innovation in Brewing. Rather than diminishing as brewers, the current YAHOOOS have proven their skills and are simply following the lead of their forebears in moving beyond competitive homebrewing.



Brewer of Viking strength Baltic Porters

Ramblings of the Naughty Nurse

DARVON PANICS

The SNERHC competition in October is most famous for Darvon having his annual near heart attack. This year however, might be the year that he enjoys the organizational task. He's lined up a lot of us to do the grunt work. It'll go very smoothly I'm sure so the job at hand is to make it as much fun as possible. How can we entertain all those bearded men-of-the-woods who have no life and are happy to drive 16 hours to Danbury to judge beer? If I was one of them I'd be pissed off after spending all those long, dark days (except June and July)



Clone & Carole, fresh from the Colorado River rapids

honing my brewing skills only to be beaten by yuppies and geriatrics from Connecticut. Count Conti brews the same thing every year and wins. Darvon has the world bored stiff with his Olde Kentucky Ale but still manages to insert it into the judging and win. By the way, isn't it time he got married again ... someone younger than him of course ... a lady in her early eighties. While we're on the subject have you ever, in a very bored moment, tried to imagine Darvon standing in front of you naked? OK then let's imagine it together. There he stands with a silly grin and the skin over his pacemaker glinting in the light. Working our way down his body we find a muscular belly. The muscles on it ripple with delight, supporting him while his skinny, white bot-bot goes up and down like a whore's drawers during love-making. The section below the waist is a very interesting phenomenon. I can best describe it as a hairy bag containing one withered cucumber and a single kiwi fruit. Ask Darvon why only a single kiwi fruit. I wish I hadn't got onto this line of thinking. In fact I feel a little ill right now.

NEW BLOOD NEEDED

Let's be honest, all the crap that you read in The Bugle is written by very few of us. Let's have some new blood here. How about Crapper having a 'CRAPPER'S CREATIONS' column? He can slip in little advertisements for his plumbing company and Tracey's legal firm. When she carries her briefs to work do you think that Crapper believes she has his underwear in her briefcase? How about Nessie giving us the lowdown on the dog shows and all the gay men who attend them? Do you think they tie each other up with their leather leashes? And how about Sean the fire fighter? How does he feel as he grabs that shiny pole and slides down it?

I love you all y'all -- The Naughty Nurse

Homebrew Competitions

October 25 - SNERHC, Colorado Brewing, Danbury, CT, www.yahoos-snerhc.com (under construction). We all have assignments.

Beer Events

September 20 - Silver City Brewfest, Meriden, CT, 203-235-4825, info@valencialiquor.com

September 28 - Oktoberfest, 707 on Main Restaurant, 707 Main St., Monroe, noon-9 pm, 7 Oktoberfest beers, 261-2652

October 3, 2003 - Brewfest at the Beach, Ocean Park Beach, New London, CT, 860-447-0425, www.jayhayes.com/rotary

October 4 - Hartford Brew Fest, Downtown Hartford, 4 pm-midnight, 860-522-0855

October 10 - Oktoberfest Beer Tasting, 758 Rubber Ave., Naugatuck, \$25, 6:30-9:30 pm, 60+ imports and micros, Terry Boyd, 729-5445, www.winect.com/mountview

October 10 - Oktoberfest Beer Tasting, Knights of Columbus, 2630 Whitney Ave., Hamden, \$20, 7-9:30 pm, 19+ breweries, Jim Sibley at Cheshire Wine & Spirits, 439-0868

October 22 - Rogue Beer Dinner, Delaney's Restaurant, 882 Whalley Ave., New Haven, 7 pm, price TBA, 7 beers with 7 courses, Peter, 397-5494

Oct 25, 2003 - Friends of Literacy Annual Wine & Beer Tasting, Laurelton Hall High School, 200 High St., Milford, cost TBA, 7-10 pm, Lisa at Fairview Liquor Mart, 877-8705

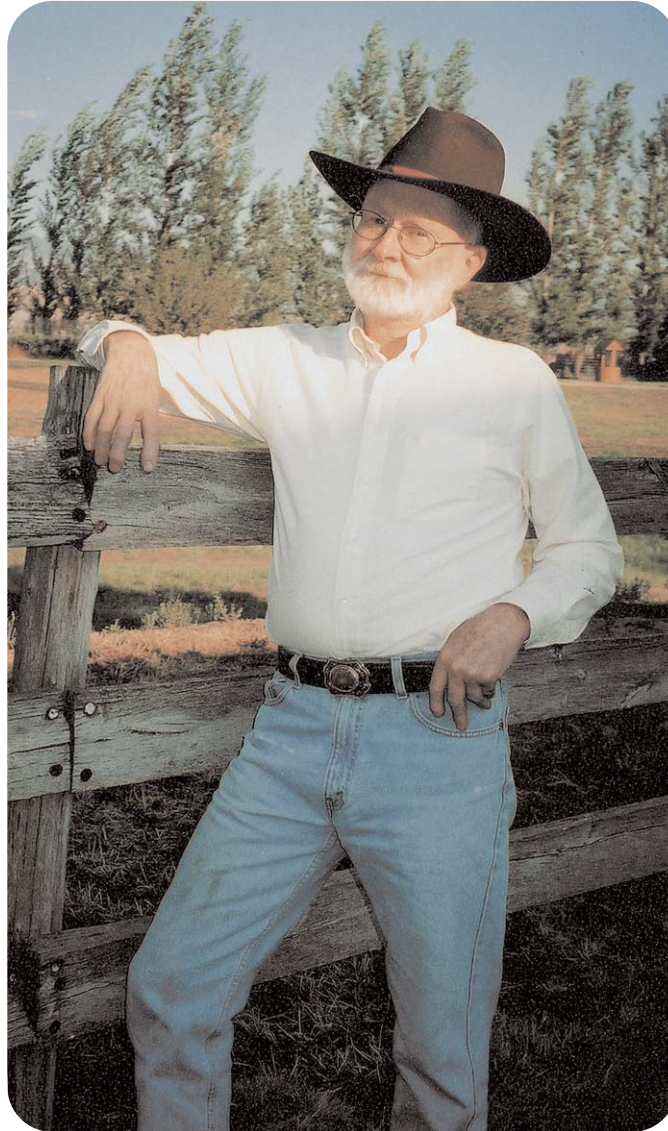
October 30 - Oktoberfest at Cobbs Mill Inn, Mill Ln., Weston, \$25, 7:30 pm, 8-10 beers + German food, Peter Cocchia at Homemade Libations, 855-7911

November 9 - Belgian Beer Festival at Colorado Brewing, 6 Delay St, Danbury, sponsored by Colorado Brewing and Terry Boyd, \$30 in advance/\$35 at the door, 1-5 pm, Terry Boyd, 729-5445

January 25 - Real Ale Festival, Bru Rm @ BAR, 254 Crowne St, New Haven, \$10 in advance/\$15 at the door includes admission and tickets worth \$4 (each \$2 ticket is good for ½ pint) and pizza; additional tickets available for \$2 each, 1-5 pm, 60+ ales, Terry Boyd, 729-5445, www.winect.com/mountview



Chickenman & Genovaite, fresh from Lithuania



So this is where Old Cowboy Darvon was during the YAHOOS annual picnic. The cowboy hat is OK. The belt, buckle and jeans are OK. But what about the footwear? -- Boots or sneakers?

The Final 2003 Meetings

October	Oktoberfests
November	Pale Ales & Bitters
December	Santa's Silli Bière Competition

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