



# The Score



The Newsletter for and about the Music City Brewers  
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## Music City Brew Off October 8 - 9, 2010



# **MCB Winners!**

## **Music City Brew Off - Oct. 9, 2010**

### **Light Lager and Pils**

Tyler Crowell - 1st Place - Rebel Helles

### **Amber and Dark Lagers**

Cliff Reinert - 3rd Place - Vienna Lager

### **Amber Hybrids**

Geoff Henderson - 1st Place - Dusseldorf IPA

Phil Snyder - 2nd Place - Philsner Steam

### **English Brown Ales**

Tyler Crowell - 1st Place - Rebel Mild

Karen Lassiter - 3rd Place - Nut Head Brown Ale

### **Porters**

Jack Lassiter - 1st Place - Jack's Black Porter

### **German Wheat & Rye**

Mark Forrester - 1st Place - Hugh Hefeweizen

### **Sour Ales**

Mark Forrester - 2nd Place - Kriek

Brandon Jones - 3rd Place - Red Ned Flanders

### **Belgian Strong Ales**

Mark Forrester - 3rd Place - Belgian Dark Strong

### **Smoked & Wood Aged**

David Brown - 1st Place - John Barleywine

Ryan Carrick - 2nd Place - Far From Alaska Smoked Porter

### **Meads**

Jonathan Adams - 3rd Place - Cherry Melomel

### **Ciders**

Phil Snyder - 1st Place - Applewine

### **Best of Show**

Tyler Crowell - 1st Place - Rebel Helles

Jack Lassiter - 2nd Place - Jack's Black Porter

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## News From Our President

Wow! What a past couple of months it has been for the Music City Brewers! In September we had two members representing MCB in the Pro-Am competition at the Great American Beer Festival in Denver, CO. We had our own Karen Lassiter competing at the pro level with Bosocs! A few of our members made the trip to Denver to enjoy the festival. Congrats go out to Blackstone for once again winning with their St. Charles Porter and Yazoo for winning with Sue. The Nashville area was well represented at this national festival.

Coming off such a great September the club headed right into the 15th Anniversary Brew Off and Wow what an event it was! Friday's dinner was great, plenty of people learned something new from our guest Dave Miller during his talk on "Thermodynamics", and the club crawl after dinner...well if you weren't there you missed an incredible time. Many thanks go out to the participating clubs (in no particular order): MCB, Mid State Brew Crew, Clarksville Carboys, Antioch Sud Suckers, Barley Mob, B.O.C.K., and Rocket City Brewers.



Saturday was one of the smoothest competition days I have seen. Jonathan and his team made sure the judging was done right and without delay. We managed to keep on the schedule planned and moved right into the BOS judging. I think you would be hard pressed to find a level of quality judges like the ones who judged BOS.

Now speaking of Best of Show: TYLER and JACK! Nice job my friends! Seeing Tyler win BOS and Jack take second BOS has been one of the highlights of my presidentship. Two very well deserved awards to two wonderful brewers. Congrats go out to everyone in the club who placed at our competition. I can't express the level of pride I had handing you your prizes during the ceremony! Even though the number of entries was down from last year, I feel like the quality of the entries were up. I think the competition was much harder to win a medal at this year.

Lastly on the competition front thank you to all the club members who worked very hard to put on the 15th Annual Brew Off. It was a huge success, everything from the raffle to the pre-judging to the venue worked out great. Big, big thanks to our generous sponsors who donated money, products, time and space to help the club pull off the event. Big thanks to Tom Gentry at Rebel Brewer for your support! Please take a moment to look over the list of the businesses that sponsored our competition. Without their support events as good as ours simply do not happen. Make sure you support them the next time you are picking out a place for dinner, need some hops, or you are picking out a 6 pack of commercial beer.

Hope to see you all at our next meeting at Kevin Jones' house where we will be celebrating "Teach A Friend To Homebrew Day". This is a brew day for everyone to bring your setup and brew together. November 13th 9am is when the brewing will begin with the official meeting starting at an earlier time this month - 1pm.

Cheers!

Brandon

**News from Our Treasurer &  
Membership Director  
Stephen Johnson**

Music City Brewers!

You are cordially invited to attend a very special meeting on Saturday, November 13, 2010, when we will have our November meeting and annual Teach A Friend To Homebrew Day celebration at the home of long-time club member Kevin Jones. Kevin lives in Mount Juliet, and has graciously offered to host us there once again for this special AHA sanctioned homebrewing opportunity when clubs are encouraged to invite new members and novices to see a batch of homebrew being created as a way to bring in new people into the homebrewing community.

Kevin has one of the most awesome state of the art brewing systems in the mid-South, as well as a great party area in his finished basement area that is always something all of us drool over whenever we walk into that space.

I encourage all of you to make an effort to be there. You won't be disappointed!

Some details:

Kevin has offered to let a small group of brewers use his system to create a batch that morning. Contact Brandon Jones <Bjones615@att.net>; if you are interested in helping him brew a batch that day. It is a big system that can brew enough for 3 or 4 people to take home a 5 gallon batch each. You will all need to supply all ingredients and carboys to take your beer home in. Kevin said that he is figuring a start time around 8:30 or 9:00 for those wanting to brew or watch.

We will plan on having the meeting start around 1:00.

What to bring:

1. Food
2. Beer

We will supply cups, eating utensils, plates, napkins, etc. I plan to bring a couple of different kegs to hook into Kevin's system at the bar, but let me know (sjohnson3@comcast.net) if you are interested in bringing any other kegs so that Kevin and I can plan in advance.

Hope to see you all there!

Steve Johnson,  
Treasurer and Membership Director

**Kevin's  
Brewing  
System**



**15th Annual Music City  
Brew Off  
October 8 - 9, 2010**



**Awards  
Crowd**



**Tyrant with  
Clarksville  
Carboys**



**Antioch Sudsuckers**



**Phil & Jody  
Kane from  
Bluff City  
Brewers**



**Dave from  
Clarksville  
Carboys  
wins Yard  
of Beer  
Chug!**



**Jonathan  
comes in  
second!**



**Rebel Brewer  
with their mega  
Randall!**

**Hopgod Challenge Winner  
Mary Smith**



**Hey! A picture  
with me in it!**



**Best of Show  
Judging - Dave  
Miller & Phil  
Farrell**



**Saturday  
Judging  
Session**



**Gil, Ryan, Bill,  
Julie**



**Raffle Items**

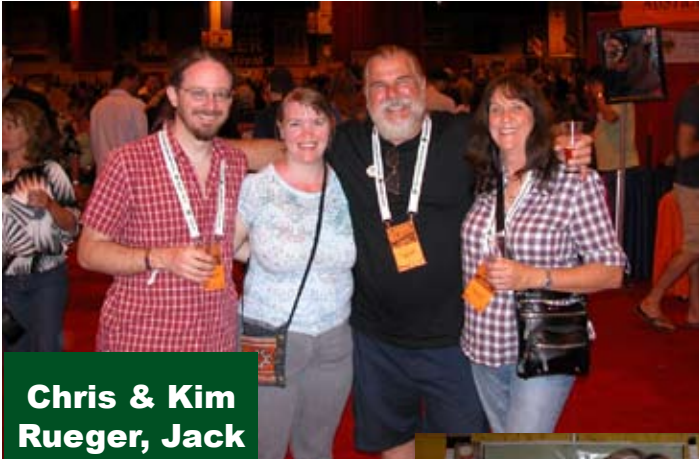


**Tyrant & Jody**



**Friday Night  
Dinner**

**MCB @ Great American Beer Festival  
Sept. 16- 18, 2010**



**Chris & Kim  
Rueger, Jack  
& Karen**



**Ryan & Brandon @  
Falling Rock Tap  
House**



**Chuck Skypeck &  
Karen @ Bosc's  
booth**



**Brandon &  
Vinnie Cilurzo**

**Before the  
crowds @  
GABF**



**Great Divide**



**Chuck, Chris &  
Bosc's volunteer**



**Jack @ Great  
Divide Tap  
room**

# Competition Schedule

Competition Date	Description	Entry Dates	Contact Info
Nov. 13	Land of the Muddy Waters Rock Island, IL	Nov. 6	<a href="http://www.mugzhomebrew.org/">http://www.mugzhomebrew.org/</a>
Nov. 13	Piedmont Brewers Cup Raleigh, NC	Nov. 6	<a href="http://www.americanbrewmaster.com/pages.php?cID=5&amp;pID=31">http://www.americanbrewmaster.com/pages.php?cID=5&amp;pID=31</a>
Nov. 13	Franklinstein Homebrew Competition Jonesborough, TN	Nov. 10	<a href="http://www.franklinbrew.org/franklinstein/">http://www.franklinbrew.org/franklinstein/</a>
Nov. 13	Fossils Porter Competition New Albany, IN	Nov. 11	<a href="http://www.fossils.org">http://www.fossils.org</a>
Dec. 4	AHA Club Only Comp. Strong Ales	Nov. 30	<a href="http://www.homebrewersassociation.org/pages/competitions/club-only-competitions">http://www.homebrewersassociation.org/pages/competitions/club-only-competitions</a>
Dec. 4	12th Annual Palmetto State Brewers Open Columbia, SC	Nov. 24	<a href="http://www.sagecat.com/psbo12.htm">http://www.sagecat.com/psbo12.htm</a>
Dec. 11	2nd Annual Fugetaboutit Homebrew Competition Chattanooga, TN	Nov. 20	<a href="http://www.barleymob.com/">http://www.barleymob.com/</a>
Dec. 11	Happy Holidays Homebrew Competition St. Louis, MO	Dec. 4	<a href="http://www.stlbrews.org/competition/index.asp">http://www.stlbrews.org/competition/index.asp</a>
For more competitions	outside of the Southeast area	go to	<a href="http://www.bjcp.org/apps/comp_schedule/competition_schedule.php">http://www.bjcp.org/apps/comp_schedule/competition_schedule.php</a>



## CLUB NEWS & EVENTS



September Meeting - Sept. 11 - Abbreviated meeting, no meeting notes.

October Meeting - Competition - No formal meeting held.

## Music City Brewers Officers and Committees

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Millie Carman, Secretary  
Steve Johnson, Treasurer

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Please feel free to submit to Karen anything you wish to contribute to our newsletter.  
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