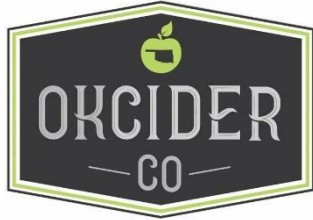




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Next Monthly Meeting:



Thursday, September 17, 2020 7pm – 9pm
OKCIDER CO
705 W. Sheridan
Oklahoma City, OK 73102
405-724-9330

Next Happy Hour:



Happy Hour will be Thursday, September 3rd, 2020 6 PM to 8 PM at **Core Four Brewery 7 N. Lee Ave Oklahoma City OK 73102. Members only please.** See further details below.

Upcoming Events	
Sept 3rd	September Happy Hour CORE FOUR Brewery 6 PM to 8 PM
Sept 17 th	Monthly meeting – OKCIDER CO 7 PM to 9 PM
Sept 25th	Zoobrew – more information below

REB Membership dues are currently \$15 for the rest of 2020.

[Sign-Up Here](#)

A Message from the President

Our September meeting will be at **OK Cider CO** where we will hold our club elections for officers for the next two year term for VP (responsible for competitions) and one of the Members at Large. There will also be a presentation on Cider Styles that I am sure you don't want to miss. I would like to thank everyone that came out to our August meeting at Vanessa House. The Red Earth Brewers did a great job of wearing masks and following the social distancing guidelines. The ability of our members to follow the social distancing guidelines at our in-person events will have a big impact on our ability to gather at future meetings and Happy Hours. Cheers!



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Pandemic Related Policy Changes

As you've heard before, please follow all CDC recommendations regarding social distancing. We care about all of you and do not want any virus transmission at any club events.

Until further notice, the club is going to discontinue the style of the month share table, homebrew and other homebrew/beer share table and snack table. (We consider those to be on par with buffets which are not supposed to allow shared items.) We decided that everyone crowding around tables with everyone touching all the bottles is not a safe practice. Club members will be allowed to bring their homebrews/beers to drink at club meetings, but any sharing is between two members and please be safe (i.e pour your beer into their glass without touching it.) For further information visit: [COVID Factsheet](#)

September 3rd Happy Hour

Our September Happy Hour will be the club's first official visit to **Core 4 Brewing**. Please join us as we visit our club member's brewery in the historic Paramount Building located in OKC's Film Row district. 6 PM to 8 PM. **Members only please.**

Zoobrew Friday, September 25th

Great news fellow Red Earth Brewers! The Zoo has changed course again and will do an in-person event at half their normal size. They invited us and I signed us up to participate. ZooBrew is really the best pouring event all year and we have had great club turnouts in years past. Basically, brewers bringing at least one keg of their beer can get into the event with one plus one companion to help pour the beer. (Sorry, you must bring beer to get in with the club.) Brewers earn member of the year points for each keg they bring. 5 points for 5 gallons. Time is limited on this and we need enough people to sign up or we will have to cancel. There is still time to brew a beer! There is a link on Facebook for a signup. Further details will be following about how to enter this event and times as the event gets closer. A valid ABLE Commission homebrew permit is required to pour at this event. The ABLE Commission form can be found at redearthbrewers.com.



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Competitions



2020 Red Boots ladies only competition

Congratulations to our 2020 winners of our ladies-only homebrew competition - Red Boots:

1st Place Esther Davison - American Brown Ale

2nd Place Deborah Prichard - Gose

3rd Place Deborah Prichard - Rauchbier





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4th Quarter Competition

Our 4th Quarter competition will be another collaboration with **Big Brewing Company** of Norman. The winner of the competition will get to brew a beer with Big Brewing Company and have it served in their tap room. Watch Facebook for details on this competition. The winners of this competition will be announced at our November meeting.

Competitions outside the Club

The best way to improve your brewing skills is to enter competitions. It's one thing to ask your friends if your beer tastes good, but quite another to have some random certified judge do a detailed evaluation and provide unvarnished advice on where you might have gone wrong or could improve your style. The club is looking at ideas to increase member participation in competitions. (That is once they start up again.)

Beer Judge Certification Program (BJCP)

BJCP certification is a great way to greatly expand your knowledge of homebrewing, beer styles and common beer flaws. The club has expended resources in the past to help many club members become certified, expand their knowledge and ultimately play a leading role in judging our competitions. The nature of this beast is that for the club to embark on another round of helping people become certified, we need 10-15 people seriously interested before the club will buy the materials and invest the time. We will be gauging club interest in certification. The first step in the process is to pass an online Beer Judge Entrance exam. After passing, you have 2 years to complete the tasting exam. The club will reimburse the entrance exam fee of \$10 for any club member that sits for the tasting exam (you must get a seat). Further details regarding the program can be found here: [BJCP Exam Structure](#)

There is also a Mead judging certification program and there are a few club members currently pursuing this type of certification. If you are a big mead fan and are interested in becoming certified judge of meads, please contact our resident expert, Bert Renard, for further details regarding study events that he hopes to do soon to catch an upcoming scheduled exam. (He's a member on the club's Facebook Group and can be messaged. If you don't know him, ask one of the club board members.)



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Brewer of the Year (BOTY) and Member of the Year (MOTY)

Don't forget that the club tracks participation in the club activities and competition awards and gives out prizes (1st, 2nd and 3rd for each) at the December (Christmas Party) meeting. With competitions mostly cancelled and pouring events postponed so far, the winners may have few points. The only competitions that we know of are our Red Earth Brewers competitions.

Officer Elections

At our September meeting, we have officer elections. Elected officers serve terms of two years and we have staggered the elections so there is not a complete turnover. This September, we have the Vice President and one Member at Large position open. The VP is primarily responsible for running competitions and the Members at Large track attendance at monthly meetings and provide an interface with the club members. Full details of the job description are contained within the [Club By-laws](#). We have started taking nominations for the upcoming election. So far, **Chad Medford** has been nominated for Vice President and **David Johnson** has been nominated for Member at Large. Send nominations to redearthbrewers@gmail.com.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS, NEWS, ETC.:

If you have an announcement or know of a festival, dinner, beer event, or whatever you think may be interesting to fellow brewers, please let us know at RedEarthBrewers@gmail.com. We are always looking for things to include in the newsletter.



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