



# RED EARTH BREWERS

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#### Happy Hour:



**BROKE BREWING CO.**

Thursday, March 7, 2024

6:30-9PM

#### Monthly Meeting:



**STONECLOUD BREWING – LAGER LOUNGE**

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

7:00-9:00 PM

## REB IS NUMBER ONE!

### *Circuit of American - Club of the Year Standings*

Competition is heating up and **REB** is hot on the way to capturing the club's first ever Circuit of America Club of the Year award.

With a slew of competitions completed; **REB** is sitting on top of the COA rankings with 27.97 points with **Kansas City Bier Meisters** on our tail with 21.20 points, while **Weizguys Homebrew Club** rounds out the top three with 15.73 points.

Several club brewers are also sitting in the Top 15 individual points standings: **Chad Medford** is leading the REB pack in 5<sup>th</sup> place with 6.37 points, followed closely by **Deb & Marc Prichard** in 6<sup>th</sup> holding 6.15 points. **Dirk Montgomery** is just outside of the Top 10 sitting at 13<sup>th</sup> place with 4.9 points.

Since starting the Club Of The Year initiative last June, REB has made tremendous strides in reaching our goals.

With many members entering competitions in the COA and High Plains Circuit, club entries are setting records for number of entries and medals in each competition.

If you haven't entered but are interested in getting some comp insight, reach out to Competition Coordinator Sean McCanne for all the info.





## Hot Off The Prez

Hello Red Earthers!

The Ides of March are upon us! With the return of spring-like weather with warmer temperatures comes a ton of equally good news from the club.

As you read on Page 1, the competitions are heating up and REB is primed and ready to take a commanding lead in the High Plains Circuit and COA standings. IBU Open results will be out this weekend and I expect nothing but top scores and lots of shiny medals.

Bluebonnet results will be out later this month (March 23<sup>rd</sup>) to give us even more opportunity to extend our COA lead. And with our very own Spring Brew Off 2024 being the next High Plains Circuit competition to hit the books in May, I only have high hopes for continued success.

I recently traveled to Kansas City for the presentation of the KCBM41 awards and couldn't have been more excited when my name was called and I actually brought home a Silver for my Black IPA. I was totally shocked, but stoked, to win my first overall medal and at such a tough competition. Receiving the award in person was very special and I'll always remember the experience.



A huge thanks to KCBM for hosting a super fun event. They really have their ducks in a row up there and to be in the rankings with such a prestigious club is an honor. I learned a lot

from visiting with their membership and hope to bring back some advice to our club.

While our club-to-club competition is a friendly one; you all have shown indomitable spirit through organizing and feeding energy into REB; giving this club the boost it so desperately needs.

While other clubs are seeing a drop in membership and participation and a lack of interest in the brewing arts, REB is seeing a surge of membership. The enthusiasm

running through the club right now is downright contagious.

I want to encourage everyone to keep up the good work. Even if you don't enter competitions, be sure to reach out with words of encouragement to those who are entering. It truly takes a team to reach our goals for 2024.

The sky is the limit for REB this year and I, with your help and guidance, look forward to taking our club into outer space.

Now let's blast off!



# JONES & BENNETT ENTER WINNING RECIPE

## *Bourbon Barrel Aged Project Winners Announced at February Meeting*



Drum roll please...

After months of planning, the winners of the REB Bourbon Barrel Aged Project were announced at 405 Brewing. Brandon Jones & Julie Bennett had their Imperial Stout recipe chosen out of nine other entries.

Judging was hosted at the home of Sean McCanne and the winner was chosen based on BJCP guidelines and scoring. Simple rules were set forth for the recipe. It was to be brewed and submitted without any adjuncts added. The submissions were then presented to and judged by a blind tasting panel.

Next step will have REB sourcing a fresh barrel and working with a local brewery to scale up the recipe. Brandon & Julie will get to work through the scale-up and brewing process with the final result going into the barrel for storage for aging. The beer will then be shared with the public at Zoobrew 2024 and with the membership at our 2024 Christmas Party.

Congratulations to Brandon & Julie for their hard work and their fine submission!



## **Don't Forget To Visit Our Merch Store!**

Now that Christmas and the holidays are over; you can spend some money on yourself again!

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A percentage of each purchase comes back directly to the club!



# COMPETITION CORNER!

## NYNB ENTRIES DUE MARCH 19TH

**NEW YEAR-NEW BREW** entries will be due for turn in at the March 19<sup>th</sup> regular meeting. This year's theme is **LAGERPALOOZA** and the meeting will, fittingly, be held in Stonecloud Brewing's Lager Lounge.

Any style of lager may be entered for "Member's Choice" judging. Ballots will be provided to each attending member to taste and rank their Top 4 choices. We have been averaging around 60 members at each meeting so please bring at least five 12oz capped bottles or two full 32oz growlers to have enough for everyone to get a sample.

REB will award prizes for 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners. Special guest judges may also rank their top beers and have some special surprises as well. Don't miss out on a fun night with some great homebrewed lagers!

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## BJCP REFRESHER CLASS SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 27<sup>TH</sup>

For anyone wishing to judge for Spring Brew Off 2024, a BJCP refresher class will be held from 7-9:00PM, Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at Deaconess South Medical Office building located at 5401 N Portland Avenue in the first-floor conference room.

Participants may bring their own 'refreshments'. Study materials will be provided, however, please bring a laptop to use to access the electronic scoring sheets.

Nick & Heather Hartley have graciously given of their time to allow attendees to have this opportunity for a fun night of learning and fellowship. We thank them for their service to the club.



# March

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## March 17<sup>th</sup> is St. Patrick's Day

It wasn't until the late 20th century that Ireland repealed a law that initially kept everything—pubs included—shut down for the day. Since then, thanks to a marketing push from Budweiser in the 1980s, downing beer has become a common way to celebrate, regardless of how closely it's tied to the actually meaning of St. Patrick himself.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	7 Happy Hour Broke Brewing 6:30-9pm	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 BIG - Norman Ken Morris Irish Extra Stout Release	16
17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 Monthly Meeting Stonecloud Lagerpalooza 7-9pm	20	21	22	23 Spring Brew Off 2024 Open for Entries 8am Bluebonnet Awards
24	25	26	27 BJCP Judging Refresher Class 5401 N Portland Ave, OKC 7-9pm	28	29	30