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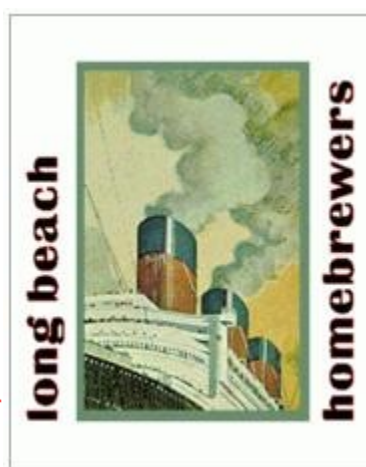
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## Next Meeting

Tuesday, February 9  
at 7 pm. **NOT** at  
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# The Brews Telegram



## President's Message

Greetings Fellow Homebrewers!

I hope you enjoyed the BeerSmith discussion at the January meeting and maybe learned something that helps you use the software and brew better beer.

In our **virtual** February meeting, I will be discussing how aluminum can sealers work and doing a demonstration of both the TapCooler counter-pressure canning solution and the Oktober SL-1 can seamer.

We will also hear the results from the judges for the first of our 4 quarterly Homebrewer of the Year styles. We had a total of 10 saisons entered for this first competition month. Best of luck to all of the entrants!

Michelle and Levi from Long Beach Beer Lab coordinated for another awesome Happy Hour Zoom event recently. It was great to see so many of you join us online, and the information shared by Levi and his team about their wild yeast culture, post-fermentation acidification, and many other topics was amazing. Thanks to everyone involved in making this happen. I'm looking forward to the next Happy Hour with Julian Shrago from Beachwood Brewing on February 20<sup>th</sup>. Look for more details from Michelle in the coming weeks!

Another group of Long Beach Homebrewers had a homebrew evaluation session on January 30<sup>th</sup>, getting together virtually to share our beers and discuss how to improve them. As usual, our discussions also tail off into other areas, such as counter-pressure canning, Tilt hydrometers, and temperature control solutions to name a few from the last session. If you have brewed a beer and would like to share up to 5 bottles of it with up to 5 other people on a Zoom call, please sign up for the next Homebrew Evaluation Session on Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, at 3pm. Information and sign-up form is located here: <https://forms.gle/1dyUHZZJx2wrVY5Z6>

The March meeting is the official deadline to renew your membership for 2021, if you have not done so already. Dues are \$20 per person or \$25 for you and a significant other.

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Please coordinate with Tom Parker ([treasurer@longbeachhomebrewers.com](mailto:treasurer@longbeachhomebrewers.com)) to pay your dues via PayPal, Venmo, or whatever other methods Tom has setup. We will continue to use these dues for raffle prizes and to continue to fund our club projects like the trade fridge, Solera sour barrel, happy hours, raffle prizes, etc...

March is also the month where we hold our annual elections. This is also my official announcement of my intention to run for president again. I have enjoyed serving the Club this year and hope to continue to do so. Although the prior year was riddled with COVID challenges, I think the club has actually come through them stronger than it was before. I look forward to continuing to grow on the momentum we gained in 2020 in our member education and events.

If you would like to run for club office, this is a quick rundown of the elected positions and their duties, as taken from our bylaws. Full bylaws are available on our website: <http://longbeachhomebrewers.com/about.php>:

- **President:** The President shall be the chief executive officer and general manager of the Corporation and shall supervise, direct, and control the activities, affairs, and officers of the Corporation. The President shall also have such other powers as are usually vested in the office of the President of a Corporation and such other powers and duties as the Board or these Bylaws may require. The President shall preside at all Board meetings and all meetings of Associates if present thereat.
- **Vice President:** The Vice President shall assist the President in carrying out his/her duties, shall assist the other officers of the Corporation in organizing and coordinating Corporation Activities, and shall have such other powers and duties as the Board or these Bylaws may require. If the President is absent or disabled, the Vice President shall perform all duties of the President (for example, presiding over Board meetings and meetings of Associates). When so acting, the Vice President shall have all powers of, and be subject to all restrictions on the powers of, the President.
- **Treasurer:** The Treasurer is the chief financial officer of the Corporation. The Treasurer shall keep and maintain, or cause to be kept and maintained, adequate and correct books and accounts of the Corporation's properties and transactions.
- **Secretary:** The secretary keeps meeting minutes and puts out and manages the club's newsletter.

In addition to these positions, there are a handful of appointed positions. If you are interested in any of these positions, speak to the elected president after the March meeting to see if the position is still open. These are the appointed positions:

- **Event Coordinator:** As the name indicates, this person will coordinate our major events (Fest potluck, Big Brews, Red White and Brews, etc...)
- **Past President (Not appointed):** This is the president from the prior year (Ray would continue in this position until a new president is elected, at which point I would fill this position).

- **Webmaster:** Manages digital footprint of club, including competition websites, the club website, and our social media presence.
- **4 Members At Large:** These club members are voting members of the board and each asked to contribute 3 newsletter articles on the year.

Meeting schedule for 2021 (Home-Brewer of the Year styles highlighted in yellow):

Year	Month	Style, Theme or Discussion Topic	Presentation
2021	January	Beersmith Q&A	None
	February	Saison (25B) French/Belgian Style	Canning Demo
	March	Elections!	American Wheat Beer
	April	SoCal Homebrew Fest Bragging Rights Style	Difference between brewing structures (1 tier,2 tier,3 tier, BIAB, etc...), followed by members sharing their systems.
	May	American Wheat Beer (1D) American Style	Yeast starters and reusing Yeast (yeast rinsing vs washing, pitching slurry, etc...)
	June	Mead, wine, or other fermentable	Gose
	July	Anything American	Disconnects (ball lock, tri-clamp, cam-lock, etc...)
	August	Gose (27) German Style	How to make sake
	September	Anything English	Imperial Stout
	October	Fruit and Vegetable Beers	Pumps. How they work and tips for priming and setup
	November	Imperial Stout (20C) English Style - Suck it, BJCP	Wort Chillers and Pros/Cons of each type
	December	Winter Warmers or other seasonal beers	

Cheers!

Jon Silvertooth

# Quest for the Unicorn

By Neil Ian Horowitz

On January 28<sup>th</sup>, the Russian River Brewing Company released on their website this year “Pliny the Younger” at 11 AM Pacific Time. I had signed in and was in line waiting for my cart to come up to purchase and when my cart appeared it showed that the offering was Sold Out. That was at 11:05 AM. It brought back memories of the early days of The Bruery’s offering of Black Tuesday when the 1<sup>st</sup> time they offered it online the website crashed.

I thought about the popularity of Pliny the Younger and I figured as a homebrewer there had to be clone recipes online. So, I searched and found there were several available.

The links to websites are:

All Grain -

<https://www.themadfermentationist.com/2010/12/pliny-younger-clone-recipe.html>

<https://www.brewersfriend.com/homebrew/recipe/view/76598/pliny-the-younger-clone>

<https://www.bertusbrewery.com/2013/03/pliny-younger-clone-20.html>

<https://shop.theelectricbrewery.com/pages/russian-river-pliny-the-younger-triple-ipa>

Extract – This recipe says double IPA but the Younger is a Triple IPA

<https://brewgr.com/recipe/3080/pliny-the-younger-double-ipa-recipe>

All the recipes are not for the novice brewer, but they give insight to the reason why it is one of the great unicorns of the brewing community.

## SCHF 2021 Update

Author: Andy Carter February 4, 2021

The California Homebrewers Association and its Board of Directors is committed to supporting homebrewers, homebrewing in California, and social activities that bring us together for our common interests in a safe and responsible manner.

Unfortunately, due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and associated State and regional restrictions on events, the CHA Board of Directors have decided that the California Homebrewers Association will not be hosting a Southern California Homebrewers Festival (SCHF) on April 30 and May 1, 2021.

The CHA Board is continuing to work on membership events and competitions when and where they are feasible and will continue our engagement with clubs and individuals to promote our interests throughout the coming year.