

America's Finest City Homebrew Competition

Thanks To All Who Participated in the America's Finest City Homebrew Competition

There were 394 entries judged and 191 registered participants, judges, and stewards.

Thank you for your interest in the America's Finest City Homebrew Competition organized by Quality Ale Fermentation Fraternity, San Diego, CA. Be sure to read the competition rules.

Thanks To All Who Participated in the America's Finest City Homebrew Competition Best of Show Winners

Best of Show – Beer

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Brandon Nuess	Yo, Bernie!	21B: Specialty IPA	
2nd	Ben Elson	Purple Lamborghini	28C: Wild Specialty Beer	Quaff
3rd	Todd Slater Co-Brewer: Matt Castillno	Doppel Play	9A: Doppelbock	Thousand Oaked Homebrewers

Best of Show – Cider

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
2nd	Dave Carr	Le Ugly Apple Cidre	C1C: French Cider	SD Craft Cider

Best of Show – Mead

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Eric Olson	4CO2	M1B: Semi-Sweet Mead	North County Homebrewers Association
3rd	Brian Trout	Cyser De Jamaica	M4C: Experimental Mead	QUAFF

Winning Entries

Category 1: Standard American Beer (6 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Jonathan Kissinger	Three Frogs Rest In Peace	1B: American Lager	Worts of Wisdom
2nd	Brendon Johnson	Belle Fleur Cream Ale	1C: Cream Ale	QUAFF
3rd	Nick Corona	The Man With The Yellow Hat	1D: American Wheat Beer	QUAFF

Category 2: International Lager (5 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Nick Corona	Gene Frenkle	2B: International Amber Lager	QUAFF
2nd	Nick Corona	Buddy Elf	2A: International Pale Lager	QUAFF

Category 3: Czech Lager (3 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Bill Kutlesa	Czech Step Child	3D: Czech Dark Lager	Thousand Oaks
3rd	Nick Corona	Dr. Rick Marshall	3B: Czech Premium Pale Lager	QUAFF

Category 4: Pale Malty European Lager (3 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Andy Howell	Das Big Boi	4A: Munich Helles	Huntsville Hop Heads

Category 5: Pale Bitter European Beer (8 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Derek Springer	THRILLHO	5D: German Pils	Society of Barley Engineers
2nd	Eli Palma	Cowboy Estar	5D: German Pils	Quaff
3rd	Greg Young	Ken's Pils	5D: German Pils	
HM	Greg Young	Jessie's Girl	5B: Kolsch	

Category 6: Amber, Malty European Lager (7 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Scott Rauvola	Bog Body	6B: Rauchbier	QUAFF
2nd	Jonathan Kissinger	My Favorite Beer Is A Marzen	6A: Marzen	Worts of Wisdom
3rd	Steve Bailey	Goatee	6C: Dunkels Bock	QUAFF
HM	Bill Kutlesa	Marz Attacks	6A: Marzen	Thousand Oaks

Category 7: Amber, Hoppy European Beer (3 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Alvin Dixon	ALT Who Goes There	7B: Altbier	Quaff

Category 8: Dark European Lager (8 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Lauren Gaggioli	Schwartz Is The New Orange	8B: Schwarzbier	
2nd	Nick Corona	Phil Weston	8B: Schwarzbier	QUAFF
3rd	Brian Trout	Taste My Schwarzbier	8B: Schwarzbier	QUAFF

Category 9: Strong European Lager (13 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Todd Slater Co-Brewer: Matt Castillno	Doppel Play	9A: Doppelbock	Thousand Oaked Homebrewers
2nd	Todd Slater Co-Brewer: Matt Castillno	Lagered Porter	9C: Baltic Porter	Thousand Oaked Homebrewers
3rd	Steve Bailey	Doppleganger	9A: Doppelbock	QUAFF
HM	Rayce Meyers Co-Brewer: Gregg Smith	Over The Seas Porter	9C: Baltic Porter	Temecula Valley Homebrewers Associaton

Category 10: German Wheat Beer (7 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Doug Brown	Ask Me About My Weizenbock (My Only Weisse)	10C: Weizenbock	QUAFF
2nd	Nick Corona	Chazz Michael Michaels	10A: Weissbier	QUAFF
3rd	Bob Mac Kay	Weize Old Goat	10C: Weizenbock	QUAFF

Category 11: English Bitters (10 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Eric Holden	'Tis But Thy Name That Is My Enemy;	11B: Best Bitter	Temecula Valley Homebrewers Association
2nd	Jim McCaskey	Mac Daddy Dog Ale	11C: Strong Bitter	QUAFF
3rd	Miles McLennan	LR Ordinary Bitter	11A: Ordinary Bitter	QUAFF

Category 12: Pale English Beer (3 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Morris Nuspl	Bay Park English Golden	12A: English Golden Ale	QUAFF
2nd	Doug Brown	Spry Chicken Gateway Beer	12A: English Golden Ale	QUAFF
3rd	Jonathan Kissinger	Golden Axe	12A: English Golden Ale	Worts of Wisdom

Category 13: Brown English Beer (15 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Derek Springer	Hello Darkness, My Old Friend	13C: English Porter	Society of Barley Engineers
2nd	Ryan Reschan	Brown Out	13C: English Porter	QUAFF/Society Of Barley Engineers
3rd	Doug Brown	Fine Wrinkle In Time (FWiT)	13B: English Brown Ale	QUAFF
HM	Jonathan Kissinger	Fat CAT PORTer	13C: English Porter	Worts of Wisdom

Category 14: Scottish Ale (8 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Paul Duddles Co-Brewer: Eric Lomberg	McFiddish Scottish Ale	14C: Scottish Export	Mash Heads
2nd	Brian Trout	Galbraith 80/-	14C: Scottish Export	QUAFF
3rd	Doug Brown	Fine Wrinkle In Scotland	14A: Scottish Light	QUAFF

Category 15: Irish Beer (4 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Scott Voak	Lucky Red	15A: Irish Red Ale	QUAFF
2nd	Brian Trout	McCool's Thumb	15A: Irish Red Ale	QUAFF
3rd	Morris Nuspl	Bay Park Irish Red	15A: Irish Red Ale	QUAFF

Category 16: Dark British Beer (7 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Scott Voak	Tropical Storm	16C: Tropical Stout	QUAFF
2nd	Tim Wang	Milk Squirt Stout	16A: Sweet Stout	
3rd	Jim McCaskey	Oatmeal Snout	16B: Oatmeal Stout	QUAFF

Category 17: Strong British Ale (9 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Steve Bailey	London's Calling	17D: English Barleywine	QUAFF
2nd	Ryan Reschan	Peter's Wee	17C: Wee Heavy	QUAFF/Society Of Barley Engineers
3rd	Scott Rauvola	Olde Alienator	17B: Old Ale	QUAFF

Category 18: Pale American Ale (14 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Jim McCaskey	Lola's Pale Dog	18B: American Pale Ale	QUAFF
2nd	Scott McFarlane	English Blonde	18A: Blonde Ale	Scott McFarlane
3rd	Darrel Brown	Pale Ale	18B: American Pale Ale	QUAFF

Category 19: Amber and Brown American Beer (9 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
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1st	Jamie Gallant Co-Brewer: Tricia Gallant	Trump Trickle Down Brown	19C: American Brown Ale	Mash Heads
2nd	Wittaker Mathot	Rouge	19A: American Amber Ale	
3rd	Matthew Lowrie	California Common	19B: California Common	QUAFF

Category 20: American Porter and Stout (20 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Andy Howell	Young Big Boi	20B: American Stout	Huntsville Hop Heads
2nd	Andy Howell	Old Big Boi	20C: Imperial Stout	Huntsville Hop Heads
3rd	Jimmy Doyle	Imperial Stout	20C: Imperial Stout	snafu
HM	Todd Slater Co-Brewer: Matt Castillno & Adam Trabish	40+ Stout	20C: Imperial Stout	Thousand Oaked Homebrewers

Category 21: IPA (32 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Brandon Nuess	Yo, Bernie!	21B: Specialty IPA	
2nd	Ketchen Smith	Marshall Nose IPA	21A: American IPA	
3rd	John Horton	Red Rye IPA	21B: Specialty IPA	

Category 22: Strong American Ale (10 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Doug Brown Co-Brewer: Alex Hardy	Supermolly (Don't Haze Me Bro)	22A: Double IPA	QUAFF
2nd	Jim McCaskey	Bad Bitch	22B: American Strong Ale	QUAFF
3rd	Todd Slater Co-Brewer: Matt Castillno & Adam Trabish	Bevarly Wine	22C: American Barleywine	Thousand Oaked Homebrewers

Category 23: European Sour Ale (11 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Erik Parker	Berliner Weisse	23A: Berliner Weisse	
2nd	Ryan Reschan	A-WALL	23E: Gueuze	QUAFF/Society Of Barley Engineers
3rd	Tim Wang	I Saw (Flanders) Red	23B: Flanders Red Ale	

Category 24: Belgian Ale (5 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Matthew St. Lawrence	Aloha Pale Ale	24B: Belgian Pale Ale	
2nd	Nick Corona	Mustafa	24C: Biere de Garde	QUAFF
3rd	Doug Brown	Oui Frere	24C: Biere de Garde	QUAFF

Category 25: Strong Belgian Ale (15 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Sean Gardinier	Saisean	25B: Saison	QUAFF
2nd	Nick Corona	Deangelo Vickers	25C: Belgian Golden Strong Ale	QUAFF
3rd	Miles McLennan	LR Rye Saison	25B: Saison	QUAFF

Category 26: Trappist Ale (16 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Brian Trout	Belgian Dark Strong (2016 Summer)	26D: Belgian Dark Strong Ale	QUAFF
2nd	Mike Neith	Father Isaac	26A: Trappist Single	Mash Heads
3rd	Brian Trout	Dubbel Dribble	26B: Belgian Dubbel	QUAFF

Category 27: Historical Beer (7 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Scott Rauvola	Zungen Brecher	27A: Historical Beer	QUAFF
2nd	Karl Kahleck	Roggenbier	27A: Historical Beer	Foam On The Brain
3rd	Doug Brown	Fine Wrinkle In Time (FWiT)	27A: Historical Beer	QUAFF

Category 28: American Wild Ale (12 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Ben Elson	Purple Lamborghini	28C: Wild Specialty Beer	Quaff
2nd	Doug Brown Co-Brewer: Brian Trout	Ain't It Funky Now	28A: Brett Beer	QUAFF
3rd	Brian Trout	Easy Rider Re-Imagined As A Beer	28B: Mixed Fermentation Sour Beer	QUAFF

Category 29: Fruit Beer (15 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Oleg Shpyrko	Passionfruit Gose	29A: Fruit Beer	QUAFF
2nd	Rob Bradfield Co-Brewer: Erik Amaya	Fat Lip	29B: Fruit and Spice Beer	Marcus of Queensbury
3rd	Ketchen Smith	Grape Day IPA	29A: Fruit Beer	

Category 30: Spiced Beer (28 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Doug Brown Co-Brewer: Alex Hardy	Ask Me About My Pumpkin Spice Weizenbock	30B: Autumn Seasonal Beer	QUAFF
2nd	Oleg Shpyrko	Festivus Stout	30C: Winter Seasonal Beer	QUAFF
3rd	Carl Townsend	Holiday Spice Ale	30B: Autumn Seasonal Beer	
HM	Ryan Reschan	Brown Out On The Beach	30A: Spice, Herb, or Vegetable Beer	QUAFF/Society Of Barley Engineers

Category 31: Alternative Fermentables Beer (2 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
HM	Tim Wang	Monster Mash	31B: Alternative Sugar Beer	

Category 32: Smoked Beer (3 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Eric Holden	Disdaining Fortune, With His Brandish'd Steel, Which Smoked With Bloody Execution	32B: Specialty Smoked Beer	Temecula Valley Homebrewers Association

Category 33: Wood Beer (13 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
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1st	Jose Dias Co-Brewer: Mark Zanfardino	Uniquely Ubiquitous Breakfast Stout	33A: Wood-Aged Beer	QUAFF
2nd	Ryan Reschan	Barrel Aged Hand Burner	33B: Specialty Wood-Aged Beer	QUAFF/Society Of Barley Engineers
3rd	Karl Kahleck Co-Brewer: Adriana Zulewski	Svartalfar Stout	33B: Specialty Wood-Aged Beer	Foam On The Brain

Category 34: Specialty Beer (12 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Scott Rauvola	Olde Alienator	34B: Mixed-Style Beer	QUAFF
2nd	Kenneth Bullock	SN CELEBRATION PALE ALE	34A: Clone Beer	
3rd	Jim McCaskey	FHRed	34C: Experimental Beer	QUAFF

Category C1: Standard Cider and Perry (6 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Dave Carr	Le Ugly Apple Cidre	C1C: French Cider	SD Craft Cider
2nd	Dave Carr	I'll Be Tannin' Your Ass Cider	C1B: English Cider	SD Craft Cider
3rd	Brian Trout	A Horrible College Hangover Macro Style Cider	C1A: New World Cider	QUAFF
HM	Charles West	New World Cider	C1A: New World Cider	QUAFF

Category C2: Specialty Cider and Perry (14 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Scott Voak	Washington's Cider	C2B: Cider with Other Fruit	QUAFF
2nd	Dan Kutcher	Apple--Cherry Cider	C2B: Cider with Other Fruit	QUAFF
3rd	Sean Thompson	BazilNCurry	C2E: Cider with Herbs/Spices	QUAFF and SD craft cider

Category M1: Traditional Mead (11 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Eric Olson	4CO2	M1B: Semi-Sweet Mead	North County Homebrewers Association
2nd	Dave McCauley	5 Flower Imperial Desert Mead	M1B: Semi-Sweet Mead	QUAFF
3rd	Brian Trout	Orange Blossom Dry Mead	M1A: Dry Mead	QUAFF

Category M2: Fruit Mead (11 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Eric Holden	You Rogue, Here's Lime In This Sack Too: There Is Nothing But Roguary To Be Found In Villanous Man:	M2E: Melomel	Temecula Valley Homebrewers Association
2nd	Eric Holden	The Ousel Cock So Black Of Hue, With Orange-Tawny Bill,	M2D: Stone Fruit Mead	Temecula Valley Homebrewers Association
3rd	Billy Beltz	Strawburreh'	M2C: Berry Mead	QUAFF
HM	Bob Mac Kay	Apple Of My Eye	M2A: Cyser	QUAFF

Category M3: Spiced Mead (6 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Billy Beltz	Tart Of Saturday Night	M3A: Fruit and Spice Mead	QUAFF

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
2nd	Billy Beltz	Laissez Le Bon Temp Rouler	M3B: Spice, Herb, or Vegetable Mead	QUAFF
3rd	Eric Holden	Yes, By Saint Anne, And Ginger Shall Be Hot I' The Mouth Too.	M3A: Fruit and Spice Mead	Temecula Valley Homebrewers Association

Category M4: Specialty Mead (3 entries)

Place	Brewer(s)	Entry Name	Style	Club
1st	Brian Trout	Cyser De Jamaica	M4C: Experimental Mead	QUAFF
2nd	Billy Beltz	The Perfect Combo	M4C: Experimental Mead	QUAFF
3rd	Chris Shadrick Co-Brewer: Sam Smith	Old Crickey	M4A: Braggot	Quaff

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