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WAZOO TO MAYOR: BUILD US A STADIUM OR WE'RE GONE!

By Steve Moore

HOUSTON-Foam Rangers Grand Wazoo escalated the war of words with Mayor Lee Brown and the City council over the funding of the proposed 70,000 seat homebrewing stadium, "If the homebrewing stadium is not properly funded, I will be forced to move the Dixie Cup out of Houston for the 2003 season". Page added, "The Dixie Cup is the world's greatest homebrew contest and it deserves a venue to match. The proposed stadium would feature a retractable roof, integrated glass-washing stations in the Judging area, a computer controlled entry packing and unpacking logistics system from Lockheed-Martin, Fred Eckhart Hall (a dining hall for Fred's beer and food tastings with state-of-the-art acoustics), a food preparation area in the multi-story parking garage, a 200 square foot walk-in cooler and extensive restrooms.

The Houston Chronicle has been a vocal proponent of the stadium plan, editorializing, "Houston will never be perceived as a world class city until we have retractable roof stadiums for



Model of Proposed Homebrewing Stadium

homebrewing, broomball, curling, hockey, Australian rules football, table tennis, Ju Jitsu, pocket billiards, synchronized swimming, synchronized gymnastics, luge, Jai Alai and wally ball.

Page's announcement has already attracted attention from several major municipalities that lack large homebrew contests. Austin, Little Rock, Mobile and Tulsa are preparing bids. Page is already in negotiations with Portland, Oregon mayor Vera Katz. Page noted, "We might as well have

the Dixie Cup in Portland, half of our membership has already moved there". Katz stated, "Portland is recognized as the center for microbreweries and brewpubs, the addition of a homebrewing event of the caliber of the Dixie Cup would cement its reputation as the worlds greatest beer city". A move to Portland would have it's downside, however. The southern heritage embodied in the name, "Dixie Cup", would not be appropriate to an

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exclusive interview, at an undisclosed secret location, with the controversial Wazoo. Paige had been in hiding following the August 24th Dixie Cup Warm-Up pub crawl to Austin. He claimed some members of the club were upset with the pub crawl T-shirt design and were trying to make him wear a big red letter "M" around his neck labeling him as a misogynist and threat to female club members.

Paige lamented "I cannot even get close to Defalcos anymore to buy ingredients due to constant protesters outside the shop. I have received death threats by email and voicemail. Forget the West Nile mosquito threat outside, I am afraid to leave my own house because of my own club members."

Shop owner Scott Birdwell, when reached for comment yelled, "just look at all these freaks out here, parking is a big problem, I've called Mayor Brown's office for some relief but since the Kmart and Sonic incidents they will

not clear these people out. I am looking for Paige too; he has ruined my business and me. I'll get him, you tell him that when you see him. Fez or no fez, he's got a fight coming."

Paige reflected back on what a great month August had been for the club that was until the pub crawl. "The club really seemed so cohesive and we rallied against the Miller Brewing rep. who made those rude and ignorant comments about homebrewers in the Austin-American Statesman newspaper." He smiled again when he recalled the August meeting at the Lockett's home in Sugar Land. "I thought everyone had a great time but I guess we'll never do that again, all we managed to do was offend all the non-swimmers in the club and they felt alienated and excluded from the meeting.

Brewsletter secret sources revealed club officers held a recent emergency

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Out Of The Wazoo



Editor's note: The **OUT OF THE WAZOO** column, which normally appears here, has been shelved this month, as we unfortunately did not receive a reply from Jimmy Paige.

Instead we offer the following special submission.

By Bob" Plant, guest reporter

CRISIS IN THE WAZ HOUSE?

Where is Jimmy Paige, the Grand Wazoo of the Foam Rangers lately? He reported last month he would not be absent again after his AHA sponsored trip to Maine but he appears to be missing AGAIN!

This reporter was able to obtain an

September Meeting Friday, the 20th 8 P.M

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Meeting Minutes



By Eric Wooten, Scrivener

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen, it's the moment we've all been waiting for. Rob Kolacny has joined the club. In response to this shocking development, the editorial staff of the *Wall Street Journal* has dispatched its ace reporter, Ken Welles, to cover our next meeting. How did we reach this highpoint without killing a man or abducting more children, you ask? It all began at the last meeting... (ahh, the well-worn postmodern preamble to flashback... what a hack. Impeach the Scrivener!)

Our meeting was held at an undisclosed location (thanks to Gary and Luanne Luckett for hosting us no-accounts!). It was hot, mosquitoes attacked us, glasses were broken, hands cut, egos bruised, a number of statutes and the public trust were broken, people were thrown into the pool. Yes, it was the best meeting in recent memory. Admittedly that isn't a long or well-detailed time span for most Rangers. Much Pale Ale was consumed, and the police came. The sad look of dismay on their faces at not finding teens aged 16-18 in various stages of undress and teenaged wasteland was apparent. Instead, they were greeted by aged people, aged 25 and up. Way up. But we were at least found in various stages of undress and teenaged wasteland, which was mostly unfortunate for all involved. Perhaps the police would have been more interested in us had they continued around the corner to see the 732 empty bottles of beer, but such will be the purview of future historical novelists. Before being arrested and subjected to unspeakable horrors that the club at large will never know of, Competition Coordinator Bev Blackwood reminded us that the Dixie Cup is now barely more than a month away. It is Bev's expectation that each member should enter "18 to 20 beers." I'm no mathematician, but that would net us approximately 2000 beers to judge without any outside entries, so it may be wise to clear your October calendar and sell your car. He also implores us to remember to enter as

Foam Rangers, not "Hols + Hippie" or "Allman and Woman" as so many mistakenly have in the past. Brewers making beer for consumption in the hospitality suite can enjoy a 20% discount on ingredients at DeFalco's.

The Dixie Cup warmup pub-crawl to Austin took place and may have been better held on 610, Our Glorious Bus interminably circling the loop. By far the best beer of the trip was consumed on and around the back of The Bus well before 10 AM; the toilet was full by 10:37AM. However, being creatures of habit and generally poor sanitation, we continued up the road to the fabulous Brenham Brewery to enjoy the lengthy tour (reminiscent of the one they offer at the Coors facility in Golden, CO) as well as some of the crisp new Bock soon to emanate from the tanks on a commercial basis. By noon, we were in Austin, putting fatal pressure on the 7-year-old Vietnamese immigrant in charge of battering the Amalgamated Lubricants Fish-Like Kod Slurry™ used in Fish and Chips at the Dog and Duck. Many of the Austin Zealots showed up to wish us well, and later, to wish us ill. It seems we're a hard club to get along with; or else it's just unnerving to stand in the harsh light of the horrible arc lamp that is the Foam Rangers Homebrew Club. Whatever the reason, fewer Zealots turned up for the Draught House stop, and the very few that came down to Bitter End only did so because of the proximity of a police sub-station to the bar. Sean Lamb was busily trying to be thrown out of bars all along the way, and although he nearly knocked Jimmy out, broke some glassware and frightened children he failed to get himself removed or even refused service. Perhaps Lovejoy's just isn't the best place to curry negative attention by acting oddly. I thought throwing the beer on the floor at Copper Tank was a sure ticket out, but apparently the bartender agreed with Sean's assessment. Somewhat incredibly, our beer-soaked and long suffering bus driver was actually still around to run us back to Houston and bring the whole dirty chapter to a close.

By now it should be clear to all but the densest of readers how Our Story led us to the eyes of both Rob Kolacny and such an august publication as *The*

Wall Street Journal. That's right, reporter Ken Welles saw our website and asked if he could drop by. I think Kolacny just smelled beer and wandered in.

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- ~ We don't know if there will be a "regular" October brewsletter yet. If we just do a Dixie Cup Program, we just wanted you to know that we'll be back in November, with the features you've come to love-
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- ~ • An Onion Rip-off Article with fake quotes from Steve.
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- ~ • A really Long Wazoo Article from Jimmy
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- ~ • Minutes from Eric that Don't Make any damn sense.
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- ~ • A really dry competition column by "Skirt Boy"
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- ~ • Pictures of people we don't know with Foam Ranger Heads Photo-shopped onto them
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- ~ • Recipes from the 2002 Dixie Cup
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ERRATUM-

The August Brewsletter incorrectly reported that Foam Ranger Karel Chaloupka has quick his job working "for the man" and has opened a Mexican fast food stand called "Karel's Chaloupa's". The editors regret the error.

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Beer Of The Month



By Kuyler Doyle,
Secondary
Fermenter

Well, it's September...and you know what that means - Oktoberfest! And you know that when it's

Oktoberfest, what else pops in your mind? DIXIE CUP!!! By golly, the Dixie Cup is practically upon us so it's time to get all the last minute preparations in order. Last year, Jimmy sent out an email to all that it takes a village to run the Dixie Cup. I completely concur with this sentiment. At this stage of the planning, only a small portion of our village has been actively participating in the planning of this huge event. It is now your turn to step up to the plate. I will be bringing sign up sheets for entry sorting, judging, food for the potluck, the registration desk, hospital-ity suite, clean-up, etc. and I need you all to pitch in to make this work. There's no question on whether it's a bargain to be a Foam Ranger - for \$20 you get to sample an insane amount of beer of many styles throughout the year, many of which you can't even buy here. All this and you get to learn through discussion about how to improve your homebrew. All most of you have to do is show up and drink these fine beers and revel in the comradery of the club. The officers of the club generally bust butt to keep it all going for you to enjoy month after month. However, it is once a year that we really need help from the entire organization to pull off this bigass competition. It really does take a village to run the Dixie Cup, and I hope that I can count on you all to do your part to

make it work.

Alright, now that I'm finished on my soapbox, let's get back to the beer! When the Oktoberfest style is categorized, it always is linked in the "VMO" category which stands for "Vienna-Märzen-Oktoberfest." These are subdivided into the Vienna category and the Märzen-Oktoberfest category. The first of these styles to come around was the Vienna style which was started in Austria in 1841 by famous brewer Anton Dreher. The style is best characterized by the presence of a malt flavor from the use of "Vienna" malt which is kilned to an amber color. The color of the beer is reddish amber to a light brown. The toasted malt aroma comes through in both the aroma and flavor of these beers which has enough bitterness to balance the beer but allow for the malt complexity to dominate. Overall, a Vienna lager is characterized by a soft malt complexity with a moderately dry finish. Unfortunately, the style is hardly brewed in its country of origin. However, during the brief posting of Austrian royalty in Mexico, the beer style was brought along and Mexican breweries have continued to brew the style with their own interpretation. Thus, in order to sample this style we will try Dos Equis and Negra Modelo from Mexico. We will also try Portland's ZigZag Lager as a micro-brewed interpretation.

The Sedlmayr family of the Spaten brewery undoubtedly sampled Dreher's beers and wanted to make a special version of this as their Oktoberfest beer which they termed their Märzen-Oktoberfest beer. The word "Märzen" is German for the month March and placing both on the label implied that the beer was made in March and lagered for many months. March was considered the last month in which to brew before the hot summer and the

beer was lagered in icy conditions for long periods and tapped as needed during the summer. In September, it was again possible to start brewing and thus the stores of beer were brought out for festivals. Oktoberfest beers are also made with a combination of amber grains - Vienna and the slightly darker Munich malts. A German Oktoberfest is a dark gold to reddish amber color in appearance. The aroma and flavor exude a rich and complex malt character with enough hops to keep the balance towards malt but not finish too sweet. The long lagering gives the style a clean, soft character. Overall, this style has a bit more malt complexity and bigger body than the Vienna. As examples of this we will try Spaten Oktoberfest, Hacker Pschorr Oktoberfest, and Paulaner Oktoberfest from Germany. From the U.S., we will try St. Arnold's Oktoberfest, Gordon Biersch Märzen, and Sudwerk's Märzen.

Yet another spinoff of the Oktoberfest style is that of the classic Rauchbier. This style was invented in the Bavarian town of Bamberg and uses a traditional recipe for an Oktoberfest with one exception - smoke. The maltsters use beechwood to kiln the malt which provides a smoky character to the malt used to brew the beer. The breweries in the region use different percentages of this malt to impart different amounts of the smoky character. We will be trying Schlenkerla's Rauchbier as an example.

Here in Houston, there is not a large selection of Oktoberfest beers available for our sampling. Some U.S. breweries go against German tradition and wait until October to release these seasonal brews, too. Thus, I'll grab whatever I can for our tasting and then supplement with other German dark lagers. Don't worry about a shortage of beers! It will certainly be lager-licious!

bule, "rocking their pelvises back and forth."

Contest winners were to be awarded a trip to Boston for a music festival sponsored by Samuel Ad. In fact, Jim Koch, the publicly-held brewery's chairman/spokesman, was actually present--and apparently enjoying himself--in the Opie and Anthony studio as the sex contest occurred and official "spotters" like Mercurio called in with updates from the field. Koch, referred to as the event's "Grand Marshal," described the participating couples as "awesome, all of 'em, better teams. The quality gets better every year." Since Opie and Anthony dubbed Koch a "celebrity," a

The Business Of Beer

Boston Beer Company President Apologizes For Lack Of Taste

Jim Koch, President of the Boston Beer Company, brewers of the Sam Adams line of beers, apologized for his participation in a radio station stunt that resulted in the arrest of two people for having sex in St. Patrick's church in New York. The apology was made in an August 26 press release. Mr. Koch was present in WNEW's Manhattan studio with "shock jocks" "Opie and

Anthony" on August 15 as the "Grand Marshal" of the "Sex for Sam" contest, which was sponsored by the Boston Beer Company. Couples participating in the contest were awarded points for having sex in public places like St. Patrick's (25 points), Trump Tower (15 points), and Central Park (10 points).

Brian Florence and Loretta Harper of Virginia (dubbed the "Juicy Lips" team) were cited for the misdemeanors of 3rd degree obscenity, public lewdness and exposure of a person; the couple was spotted having sex in a church vesti-

BOTM Calendar

January

~~Porter and Stout~~

February

~~Barley wine and Holiday Beer~~

March

~~Belgian and Fruit Beer~~

April

~~Brown, Old and Scotch Ale~~

May

~~Bock~~

June

~~Wheat Beer~~

July

~~Pilsner and Kolsch~~

August

~~Pale Ale and Bitter~~

September

Oktoberfest

October

Dixie Cup

November

Amber Ale and IPA

December

Homebrewers'

X-mas Party

Foam Rangers Calendar

September

1 1st Sunday
Pub Visit
Two Rows

12 BJCP Study
Group De-
Falcos 6PM

14 Brew-In at
DeFalco's

20 Club Meet-
ing De-
Falco's

26 BJCP Study
Group De-
Falcos 6PM

October

6 1st Sunday
Pub Visit Bren-
ham Brewery

10 BJCP Study
Group DeFal-
cos 6PM

17-19 Dixie
Cup

November

2 1st Sunday
Pub Visit
Some-
where???

15 Club Meet-
ing DeFalco's

Please send items that you want listed on the Foam Rangers calendar to:
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Competition Corner



By Bev Blackwood

The Dixie Cup is ours...

Reading over the past few competition columns in the North Texas Home Brew Association's newsletters, I can tell they are gearing up for a major offensive. The other day I heard a rumour that the club was "sponsoring" entries no less, which is a desperation tactic, in my book! They want OUR cup... we have theirs, they want ours, badly.

What's at stake at Dixie Cup? More than just the dented brass cylinder that has been sought by so many... It's also the last competition in the Gulf Coast Homebrew Club of the Year race. Are the Foam Rangers even IN the race? You bet we are! The standings after the Sunshine Challenge show we are only 11 points (4 first place finishes) behind Brewing Anonymously Throughout Florida (BATF) and 10 behind the NTHBA. There are exactly two names on the club trophy, and they are of our fellow major clubs, the Central Florida Home Brewers and the NTHBA. Ours needs to occupy the third spot, nailing down

for the ages our ability as a club to compete on the circuit.

We have had an outstanding year as a club. I cannot remember as spectacular a year in the short time that I have been a Foam Ranger. We won the Bluebonnet Cup from the NTHBA, we took best of show in New Orleans, we took best of show at the Big Batch, we have numerous MCAB qualifiers, we dominated at Reggale and Dredhop and Rendezbrew and we've had significant entries at every single MCAB competition all year long. Still, it has been a battle everywhere we've gone. Our points have been hard-won, requiring effort on the part of many brewers within the club, not just a few.

Can we win our own competition?

Not only yes, but HELL yes! There are 240 points up for grabs at Dixie Cup. If we secure the lion's share, the rest will take care of itself.

Once again, the Foam Rangers are a force to be reckoned with at any contest we choose to focus on. We owe a debt of gratitude to Phil Endacott for starting us off right by lighting a fire to secure the Bluebonnet Cup. We were rewarded for that effort with the best showing we have ever had at Bluebonnet and the cup resides at DeFalco's. We don't want it to get lonely by letting the Dixie Cup leave our "mantel." Let's build on that success and move into

MCAB Five and our return to Bluebonnet with another big win under our belts! Where the hell's that 15 gallon keg of Whup-Ass? Time to crack it open!

Just a few words regarding strategy... Look at your best beers and decide if they can fit into more than one category. Sometimes a great beer that's straddling a style definition is good for seconds and thirds if not an unexpected first place in a related style. If you have any questions as to the suitability of a beer for alternate styles (or any style at all) we will have a "sorting session" at DeFalco's from 2:00 to 4:00 on September 29th so that you can have your beer evaluated by our expert panel of drunks... er, beer judges. *(Editor's note—please confirm this date and time with Bev—it is subject to change).*

While it's easier to win at Dixie Cup than it is at just about any other competition, the beers entered also tend to be of a very high caliber in nearly every category, so be prepared for fierce competition.

While you're bottling for Dixie Cup, don't forget that we'll be packing and shipping for Novemberfest almost immediately after the event. This is an approximately 400 beer MCAB qualifier in the Seattle area, and one we've lightly entered in the past. So bottle up an extra set!

Competition Calendar			
Event	Entry Deadline	Pack 'n' Ship Date	Info
Dixie Cup	Oct. 4	Not Applicable	Ask Kuyler www.foamrangers.com
Novemberfest	Oct. 31	Thur. Oct. 24	http://www.brewsbrothers.org/nbf/nbf_top.htm

OUT OF THE WAZOO (Continued from page 1)

meeting to do damage control in the wake of the pub crawl T-shirt fiasco. The officers reportedly want Paige to attend sensitivity training sessions and concluded he had gone too far with the abuse of his powers. Says one anonymous officer, "He is just too much of a menace to us."

Secondary Fermenter Kuyler Doyle said, "I'll do everything I can to fix this mess created by Paige. I want to erase him from the memories of all club members. Jimmy has just been too controversial - when I'm Waz I'll bring normalcy instead of lunacy to this club. I'll set the compass

straight. I can't wait to get a hold of that fez. Morale will improve, free barleywine for everyone, I'll lower dues and bring more women to the club, you'll see...maybe I'll even fix the Putz up with someone."

Brewletter Editors Sean Lamb and Steve Moore added, "Jimmy is a loose cannon right now, and he's basically missed the whole year". Sean quipped "I think he is really mad at me from the pub crawl after I allegedly rearranged his eye glasses and when no one helped clean up the bus after the pub crawl it really offended him." Steve Moore laughed "C'mon Sean, who are you kidding, he is on another AHA

excursion, he is trying to ruin the club for the AHA, he is one of Charlie's hired saboteurs. I never did that when I was Waz. He disgusts me to no end that slacker."

Bev Blackwood, Was Waz and Competition Coordinator was unavailable for discussion but left a voice mail on this reporter's machine. "I wish I had time to talk with you Bob, but I am busy planning for the Dixie Cup. Like I said before, I blame it all on the Sly Bastards, they started this whole decline. I can't say I did not warn you folks about Jimmy. But you know, so what, it's just beer anyway."

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WAZOO (Continued from page 4)

Eric Wooten, club Scrivener, was cautious with his responses, "Everyone told me he was a nice enough guy at the beginning of the year, but lately I don't know what has happened. I'll do the politically correct thing and keep my distance. Speaking of politics, hey Bob, did I tell you I voted for the Green party last election, yeah, I really did go Green ticket!"

Club Treasurer, Ron Solis commented very little about the incident. "Basically, I did not go on the crawl so I cannot comment specifically on what Jimmy did or did not do. I just do the checks man. If it does not involve money I don't need to know, but I will tell you this, people better buy those leftover pub crawl T-shirts. All this controversy, I say to you it must be the Foam Rangers. No other clubs I have been involved with have these type problems."

Paige concluded our interview by defending his tenure as Wazoo. "I thought things were cool before the pub crawl ordeal. We got the Bluebonnet, bailed out Lynne O'Connor with the AHA thing, and after that my whole goal was to do the crawl since we had really not had one in 6 years or so. I thought everyone had fun and we even had some of the Austin Zealots join us on the Austin tour. But now I hear we offended several factions in the club for the female on the T-shirt and for using mass transportation. Seems several club members, following the September 11th incident, were afraid to use bus or airfare travel, and therefore felt they could not attend the crawl and felt purposely excluded. These days, no matter what I do, some groups or individuals are offended. I think I'll hide for awhile and be a lame duck rather than raise the anger of any more members." Maybe I'll have my ideas reviewed by an independent civil rights team, or something, I need a beer."(Ed note: on top of this, Paige captured more heat from the club when he moved the pub crawl date one week from August 17th to the 24th.)

This writer is not sure where all this controversy will end or if it will ruin this year in Foam Ranger history. Pick up your Brewsletter Urquell.

Guest Column

Reflections on Lars K.

By the Homebrew Dominatrix

It has now been several months since the passing of Lars and I thought of him the other day. I remember the first time I spotted him, it was in that puny little homebrew shop of his back in Houston. I wanted the shop and enticed him to sell by spanking him with a mash paddle. I soon had him at high krausen like the packs of XL Wyeast we sell to homebrewers like nobody else can, after all, we only sell the best.

I told him, let me show you a "real" homebrew shop and after a short trip on Southwest Airlines, using free tickets I had won from Briess

Malting, we arrived at my "homebrew palace" I told Lars, "let me turn this bed of undermodified Moravian malt, sold exclusively by us and nowhere else Lars-ey." Lars wanted to do a quick protein rest, essential when using the Moravian method, but I stopped him. "No, I insisted, we must do it under my autographed picture of Michael Jackson." We then performed a double decoction.

When Lars was leaving, I thanked him and gave him a two pound bag of Czech hops, only available to homebrewers at my place. I'll miss that Lars guy, yeah, I think I will.

This Month In Foam Ranger History

By Sean Lamb

15 Years Ago...



In The Brewsletter- Dixie Cup stuff takes up much of the issue. A review of the "4th annual Labor Day Pre Dixie Cup Brew-in" recounts the adventures of 10 or so

Foam Rangers. "Mom's Wheat Beer" "No Pete's Puns Pilsner", "Beyond The Planet of Secondary Plasticbrau", "Pain In The Ass Porter" were all concocted. The "Ask Dr. Strangebrew" column delves into dry hopping. Steve Daniel resigns as Brewsletter editor to spend more time with his family and new house.

The Club Meeting-Held Friday September 18th at DeFalco's on Morningside due to rain. 35-40 Rangers made it. BOM was "Weird Beers". Bill Wescott brought some unusual lagers from Africa.

Other Events- The club held a "Garage Sale" at DeFalco's on September 26th to raise funds for the Dixie Cup.

10 Years Ago...

In The Brewsletter- Grand Wazoo Lou Carannante regales everyone to enter the Dixie Cup. An article from the "Public News" is reprinted in full. The article discusses the

reasons that the Texas Legislature had not passed a brewpub bill, and lambastes Rep. Ron Wilson for pushing through the "Sea Mammal Exclusion Rule" that allows Sea-World to serve Anheiser-Busch beer.

The Club Meeting-The meeting was held at the house of Steve and Autumn Moore. A trip to the Renaissance Festival and a Pre Dixie Cup Pub Crawl were discussed. Wasatch Wheat fro Park City Utah and Pyramid Pacific Crest Ale from Kalama, Washington were offered from the "Beer Across America" club. Oktoberfest beers were served—Hofbrau, EKV, Paulaner and Samuel Adams. Lee Anthony's beer was selected to go to the AHA's "Best of the Fest" club only competition

Other Events- Not much happening due to the impending Dixie Cup.

5 Years Ago...

In The Brewsletter- Grand Wazoo Steve Moore recount a beer excursion to New Orleans with Dave Odom, Jimmy Johnson and some Mashtronaut types. Brewsletter editor Charles Vallhonrat interviews Scott Birdwell. Secondary Fermenter Steve Caporants about Oktoberfest beer and Love.The original version of the poem "The Putz In The Fez" is published.

The Club Meeting-Held at DeFalco's on Robinhood. BOM was Oktoberfest—Samuel Adams October Fest, Beck's, Paulaner, Landmark, St. Arnold and Pete's Wicked Oktoberfest; Boulder Fall Fest Ale, and Hacker-Pschorr Marzen were served.

Other Events- Things are slow due to impending Dixie Cup.



Foam Ranger Picture Page



Joe sneaks up on Jimmy



Come on in—the water's great!



Ed helps himself to a pool-side refreshment



Kari teaches Steve a new trick



We get to see more of Jeff than we really want to...



Bev helps Kari with a beer



Joe strikes again

Foam Ranger Picture Page



Your Grand Wazoo exhibits his belly flop technique



Sandy decides to join the fun



The Excitement Couple get wet



The battle for the title of Supreme Ruler of the Pool rages

Austin Pub Crawl



Austin Pub Crawl



Women to Worship Goddess of Beer

LONDON (Reuters) - British beer lovers have enlisted the support of a Sumerian goddess in their efforts to shake off the masculine image of their favorite tipple. Fed up with the drink's beer bellied image, the Campaign for Real Ale (Camra) said on Tuesday it had adopted the goddess Ninkasi -- said to have created a recipe for beer 4,000 years ago -- as patron in a bid to attract more women to the pumps. "We think real British beer is something to be proud of and it should be marketed to women as well as men," said Camra's Mike Benner. "Almost all the advertising we see on our TV screens...is a real turn off for women. Ninkasi, the new Goddess of British beer, is here to change all that."

Ninkasi, worshipped by one of the world's earliest civilizations in what is now Iraq in around 3500 BC, is thought to be one of the early brewers of beer. She was worshipped by both men and women at a time when ale was made and served exclusively by women. Camra decided to adopt the cult after its research revealed that less than a quarter of British women had tried real cask ale in a pub, Benner said. Almost a fifth of women polled by Camra said they thought it was an old-fashioned drink, while a third believed it was "unfeminine." "Brewers need to present beer in a more original and modern way if they are going to build a following with women," Benner said in a statement. "It needs to be a little less Inspector Morse."

To tempt female taste buds, the society is

launching a range of 10 "female friendly" ales at its Great British Beer Festival in London. While none is brewed to the recipe used by Ninkasi, Benner said the 10 beers on offer demonstrated the wide variety available. He added that women would also not be expected to drink the beer in the same way as ancient Sumerian women -- from bulky clay jugs through lengthy drinking straws. The annual Great British Beer Festival was on at London's Olympia from Tuesday to Saturday August 6-10. Some 45,000 beer lovers are expected to attend. Camra surveyed 1,000 people across Britain in June this year.

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Oregon locale. Katz noted, "Several new names are being considered including such as the 'Birkenstock Brew-off' or the 'Hairy Armpit Women Homebrew Contest'.

This may prove to be academic as political scientist and pollster Richard Murray noted, "After the Olympic bid surprisingly failed, the Brown administration cannot afford to lose the Dixie Cup. It would be political suicide".

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sex act occurring before the corporate boss was worth 30 points. Five couples attempted to perform in front of Koch in WNEW's studio, though only two succeeded in earning points. While Mr. Koch said he felt embarrassed for the three couples who failed to complete the act before

him, he told Opie and Anthony that the competitors were, "awesome, all of 'em, better teams. The quality gets better every year." This was the third year that Mr. Koch and Boston Beer Company had participated in the contest.

In the statement apologizing for his participation in the event, Mr. Koch stated "The fact is I had no warning that St. Patrick's was going to be included in the show until the moment the incident occurred. I made a grave mistake in not getting up and walking out of the studio, and I am very sorry about that. While we cannot change the past, we have learned from this mistake. We are evaluating all of our marketing plans, and putting strict, new procedures in place to insure that an incident like this doesn't happen again.

I know this situation has damaged some relationships our company has spent 17 years building. We have been in touch with many of those offended and apologized personally. We hope that our sincere apology for this regrettable lapse in judgment will be accepted, and that by our future actions, we will regain the respect of the people we have disappointed."

Gregg "Opie" Hughes and Anthony Cumia were fired from WNEW on August 22 as a result of the stunt.



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