

Castle Hill and Hills District Agricultural Society Inc

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Home Brewing Championship 2009

Conducted by the Hills Brewers Guild

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Pale Ale, and Belgian Beer
categories.

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Ale and Bock categories.

The 2009 Home Brewing Championship will be judged on the 18th and 19th of **October 2008**. The competition has been registered with the Beer Judge Certification Program (BJCP) and will follow the competition, class and style guidelines as laid down by the BJCP. Further information on the BJCP can be found at www.bjcp.org. **Entries close at 4pm Saturday, 4th October 2008.**

This year's competition will consist of four sections:

Open Section: Beers entered in this section can be made by any method including kit, extract, partial and full mash methods.

Commercial Kit Beers: These beers are those based on commercially available kits. Enhancements such as brewing sugar mixtures, malts and additional hops are permitted. Any form of yeast may be used. However extract, partial and full mash beers are excluded from this category. The judges will exclude any entry which in

their opinion does not meet these criteria. See Specifications at end of this document. Beers made from kits can of course be entered into any of the appropriate open categories.

Clone Beers: These beers are brewed to match specific commercial beer styles . Beers entered in this section may be brewed using any method including kit, extract, partial and full mash methods.

Only beer that has been brewed and fermented at home qualifies for this competition. Beer that has been brewed at “Brew on Premises” style retailers is excluded from this competition.

Home made Beer and Cheese: This is new and unique competition where entrants enter a home made cheese and a matching home brewed beer. Joint entries are welcome. The Beer and Cheese will be judged separately then points awarded on how well the beer complements the cheese. A qualified cheese judge will take control of the cheese judging and a beer sommelier will select the best combination. This competition will be limited to **Camembert Style Cheese only. Cheese entries must be made from pasteurised milk.**

Sponsor Prizes

Country Brewer has generously offered a prize of **Country Brewer Wetpack** to winners of Best In show, Champion Brewer, Hills District Champion and President’s Choice Award. They will also provide a Wetpack to the winners of the Scottish and Irish Ale, India Pale Ale and Porter categories. Others have indicated that they will be providing prizes, but details were not complete at the time of printing. Please note only Australian competitors will be eligible for sponsor prizes.

Entry fees:

Beer Competition (including Kit and Clone beer entries) : Entry fee of \$5.00 per entry each, for the first two entries, additional entries at \$3 per entry.

Beer and Cheese Competition: An entry fee of \$10.00 will apply to each entry (combined beer and cheese).

Entry fees must be paid at time of lodgement either by cash or cheque/money order made payable to “Castle Hill and Hills District Agricultural Society”

Entry Requirements: Each beer entry will consist of 1 bottle of a minimum of 500 ml.(or two 375 ml containers). All styles of bottle will be accepted, however, the judges will not accept responsibility for any light strike, resulting from packaging in clear glass or plastic. Bottles will not be returned at completion of judging. Cheese entries must be a whole cheese of around 200g-250g minimum. If you are submitting a beer in the Beer and Cheese section and wished to have it judged as part of the other beer comps, please mark the form appropriately and submit an additional sample. There will be no additional charge.

All entries must be accompanied by completed entry forms including the signed indemnity form attached to this document.

Consignment

1. By Post: Beer entries only (securely packaged with fee) may be consigned to,

Castle Hill and Hills District Agricultural Society
PO Box 6101
Baulkham Hills
DC 2153

2. Direct to Showground

The showground office will be open on Saturday 4th October 2008 between 9.30am to 3.30 pm for receipt of both Beer and Cheese entries at

The Castle Hill Agricultural Show Society
Castle Hill Showground
Showground Road
Castle Hill NSW 2154

3. Home Brewing retailers

Entries, fully packaged for transportation containing entry forms and fees may be lodged at the following participating home brew retailers, ready for collection, by close of business October 4th, 2008. Please note that only some retailers accept cheese entries.

Retailer	Address	Beer or Cheese Drop off
Sydney – North		
Asquith Home Brewing Supplies 02 9476 2022	353 Pacific Highway Asquith	Beer
Country Brewer (02) 9980 1399	3/4 Station St Thornleigh	Beer and Cheese
Dave's Home Brew 02 9460 0526	Shop 1/283a Miller Street North Sydney	Beer
Sydney – South		
ESB Brewing Supplies (02) 9584 3372	1/11 Lorraine Street Peakhurst	Beer
The Brew Shop (02) 9533 5952	60A Henry Lawson Drive Peakhurst	Beer
Sydney- West		
Absolute Home Brew (02) 9833 0555	Shop 7, 40 Phillip St, St.Marys	Beer
Cooperage Home Brew Supplies (02) 9604 6655	2/895 The Horsley Drive Smithfield	Beer
Country Brewer (02) 9896 1366	1/148 Toongabbie Rd Girraween	Beer and Cheese

Country Brewer (02) 4578 8345	Shop 3/304 Windsor Street Richmond	Beer and Cheese
Country Brewer (02) 4731 5444	226 Great Western Highway Kingswood	Beer and Cheese
Country Brewer (02) 9600 7939	Shop 3/609-611 Hume Hwy Casula	Beer and Cheese
Blue Mountains and Western NSW		
Blue Mountains Brewing Supplies (02) 4751 4292	Shop 2/7-9 Georges Cr, Faulcon Bridge	Beer
Country Brewer (02) 6332 1422	148 Russell Street Bathurst	Beer and Cheese
Newcastle/Central Coast		
Ultimate Home Brew Shop (02) 4322 2666	344 Mann Street North Gosford	Beer
Marks Home Brew (02) 4969 6696	18 Maitland Road Islington	Beer and Cheese
Wollongong		
Northern Brew (02) 4284 6000	345 Princes Highway Woonona	Beer
ACT-Canberra and Southern NSW		
Brew Your Own at Home (02) 6296 1412	Shop 5/ Primmer Cct Kambah Canberra	Beer and Cheese

Awards

1. Conditions for an award: For awards to be made to any sub-category eg 1A Lite Lager there must be a minimum of three (3) entries in the sub-category, unless in the judge's opinion the entries submitted are outstanding in which case an award may be made. Entries submitted for a sub-category in which there are not the prescribed number of entries will still remain eligible to win the overall category award, best in show etc.

Notwithstanding, an award will not be made to any category or sub-category if in opinion of the judges, the quality of entries do not warrant an award.

2. Beer Awards: In addition to prizes offered by sponsors, the following awards may be given:

Champion Ribbon for Best in Show*

Champion Ribbon for Presidents Choice Award.

Champion Ribbon for Hills District Champion - Brewer residing in the Hills and surrounding districts with the highest average score*.

Champion Ribbon for Grand Champion Brewer- Brewer with highest average score across all classes. *

*Best in Show will be awarded to the highest scoring individual beer. To qualify for Hills District Champion or Grand Champion Brewer a minimum of two entries must be submitted and the result will be calculated based on average of the brewer's two highest scoring entries.

Rosette and card will be awarded for 1st in each category and sub-category.

Ribbon and card will be awarded for 2nd and 3rd, in each category and sub category.

3.Kit and Clone Beer Competition:

Champion Ribbon for Best Kit Beer
Champion Ribbon for Best Clone Beer

Rosette and card will be awarded for 1st in each category and sub-category.

Ribbon and card will be awarded for 2nd and 3rd, in each category and sub category.

4. The Roose Trophy

This year we will sending the three best beers from the open section to Edmonton for an inaugural Australia vs Canada, team competition. Brewers whose beers are selected must be able to provide an additional 2*375 ml bottles (preferably) or a larger "long neck" style bottle of the beer to be entered in the competition. If the brewer is unable to provide the necessary sample then the judges will select a replacement entry from another brewer.

5. Cheese and Beer Awards: In addition to prizes offered by sponsors, the following awards may be given.

Champion Ribbon for Best Cheese in Show
Champion Ribbon for Best Beer and Cheese combination

Ribbon and card will be awarded for 2nd and 3rd for the individual Cheese and Beer and Cheese combination.

6. Provision of Awards: Awards will be displayed at the 2009 Show. Awards will be available for collection at the completion of the Show. Awards not collected will be posted to exhibitors. Winners will be notified and all tasting sheets and sponsor prizes distributed following the completion of judging.

7. Judges Decisions: The judges' decisions will be final and no correspondence will be entered into regarding such decisions. Neither The Castle Hill and Hills District Show Society nor the Hills Brewers Guild will be responsible for any loss or damage to entries or loss or damage suffered by any person as a result of entering the competition. The organising judge reserves the right to alter the competition conditions and rules without notice if deemed to be in the best interests of the competition.

Class and Style Summary: The number designates the class and the letter describes the style. E.g. , Class1 Style A – Light Lager – Low Alcohol (Lite) Lager

Open Section:

1 Light Lager	11. ENGLISH BROWN ALE
A Low Alcohol (Lite) Lager	A. Mild
B. Standard International/American Lager	B. Southern English Brown Ale
C. Premium International/American Lager	C. Northern English Brown Ale
D. Munich Helles	12. PORTER
E. Dortmunder Export	A. Brown Porter
2. PILSNER	B. Robust Porter
A. German Pilsner (Pils)	C. Baltic Porter
B. Bohemian Pilsener	13. STOUT
C. Classic American Pilsner	A. Dry Stout
3. EUROPEAN AMBER LAGER	B. Sweet Stout
A. Vienna Lager	C. Oatmeal Stout
B. Oktoberfest/Märzen	D. Foreign Extra Stout
4. DARK LAGER	E. American Stout
A. Dark American Lager	F. Imperial Stout
B. Munich Dunkel	14. INDIA PALE ALE (IPA)
C. Schwarzbier	A. English IPA
5. BOCK	B. American IPA
A. Maibock/Helles Bock	C. Imperial IPA
B. Traditional Bock	15. GERMAN WHEAT AND RYE BEER
C. Doppelbock	A. Weizen/Weissbier
D. Eisbock	B. Dunkelweizen
6. LIGHT HYBRID BEER	C. Weizenbock
A. Cream Ale	D. Roggenbier (German Rye Beer)
B. Blonde Ale	16. BELGIAN AND FRENCH ALE
C. Kölsch	A. Witbier
D. American Wheat or Rye Beer	B. Belgian Pale Ale
7. AMBER HYBRID BEER	C. Saison
A. North German Altbier	D. Bière de Garde
B. California Common Beer	E. Belgian Specialty Ale
C. Düsseldorf Altbier	17. SOUR ALE
8. ENGLISH PALE ALE	A. Berliner Weisse
A. Standard/Ordinary Bitter	B. Flanders Red Ale
B. Special/Best/Premium Bitter	C. Flanders Brown Ale/Oud Bruin
C. Extra Special/Strong Bitter	D. Straight (Unblended) Lambic
9. SCOTTISH AND IRISH ALE	E. Gueuze
A. Scottish Light 60/-	F. Fruit Lambic
B. Scottish Heavy 70/-	18 Belgian Strong Ale
C. Scottish Export 80/-	A Belgian Blond Ale
D. Irish Red Ale	B Belgian Dubbel
E. Strong Scotch Ale	C Belgian Tripel
10. AMERICAN ALE	D Belgian Golden Strong Ale
A. American Pale Ale	19 Strong Ale
B. American Amber Ale	A. Old Ale
C. American Brown Ale	B English Barley Wine
20 Other BJCP categories	C American Barley Wine

Commercial Kit Section

K1- Australian Lager/Draught

K2- Australian Dark/Old Ale

Clone Beer Section

C1 - Corona Style Clone

C2 – Beez Neez Style Clone

C3- Pure Blonde Style Clone

Beers entered in the clone section will be judged on the basis of how closely they match the style on Appearance, Aroma, Flavour, Mouth feel and overall impression.

Specifications for Commercial Kit Beers

The Hills Brewers recognises the assistance provided by ANWABS in the formulation of these specifications.

K1- Australian Lager/Draught

Specification: Original gravity: 1.045- 1.054; Final Gravity: 1.010-1.015; SRM 2-6; IBUs 16-20; ABV 4.5%-5.5%

Appearance: Light to medium gold, clear, no haze, effervescent.

Aroma: Low to almost no hop aroma, Low to medium malt aroma. No diacetyl or sulphur notes. The beer should have a clean, fresh appealing aroma.

Flavour: Well balanced with neither malt nor hops dominating, this is a smooth crispy refreshing beer. Clean with no fruity esters and no diacetyl.

Mouth feel: Medium to light body, medium to high carbonation.

Overall Impression: Balanced malt and hops. The beer should remain fresh on the palate, conventionally hopped with Australian/English varieties. Other hop varies eg Cascade will be penalised as being not to style.

K2- Australian Dark/Old Ale

Specification: Original gravity: 1.038 - 1.045; Final Gravity: 1.006- 1.011; SRM 11-18; IBUs 18-24; ABV 3.5-4.5%

Appearance: Mid-brown to very dark brown. Good clarity with a firm off white head.

Aroma: A mild malty aroma, with low to moderate fruitiness, light toasty and chocolate notes are acceptable. Hop aroma, low to none, no diacetyl.

Flavour: Moderate malt flavour, balanced by hop bitterness, but minimal hop flavour. Low to moderate fruitiness.

Mouth feel: Low to medium carbonation, low to medium body.

Additional comments: This beer may be based on traditional English hop varieties as Goldings and Fuggles or their Australian variants such as Pride of Ringwood.

More information: Please contact the Hills Brewers Guild at www.hillsbrewersguild.com or phone 0407 434 984.

The information provided in this document is provided in good faith with the proviso that events may occur that are beyond our control.

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Official Entry Form

This section must be completed by the entrant and this form, the indemnity form and payment must accompany entries. Please photocopy this form as required.

Name: _____

Address _____

Suburb/ City/Town _____ State/Province _____

Postal/ZIP Code _____ Country _____

It may be necessary to contact you before or during judging to clarify issues regarding you entry. Please include any ISD or STD codes

Home Phone _____ Mobile Phone _____

E-mail: _____

Entry Summary: Please refer to guidelines and detail all entries submitted .

Class Number	Class Description	Style Letter	Style Description

Entry Fees: Entry fee of \$5.00 per entry for the first two entries. Third and subsequent entries are \$3.00 per entry. Entry fees must be paid t time of lodgement, either by cash or cheque/money orders made payable to "Castle Hill and Hills District Agricultural Society".

Total amount enclosed: \$ ☐ Cash ☐ Cheque ☐ Money Order

Complete bottle labels below. – cut along dotted line and tape label to bottle securely. Copy as required

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Entrants Name	Entrants Name
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Beer and Cheese Championship 2009

Official Entry Form

Please note: Cheese entries are restricted to Camembert Style only and must be certified to have been made using pasteurised milk

This section must be completed by the entrant and this form, the indemnity form and payment must accompany entries. Please photocopy this form as required. Joint entries from a brewer and cheese maker are acceptable. Please note different names if applicable

Name(s):

Cheese Maker _____

Brewer _____

Address (one only) _____

Suburb/ City/Town _____ State/Province _____

Postal/ZIP Code _____ Country _____

It may be necessary to contact you before or during judging to clarify issues regarding you entry. Please include any ISD or STD codes

Home Phone _____ Mobile Phone _____

E-mail: _____

Entry Summary: If more than one cheese submitted please number each cheese so we can match the beer and cheese submitted

Cheese Number	Beer submitted	Style Letter	To be included in beer comp ¹	Style Description

¹ If the brewer wishes to have the beer included in the various beer comps, please tick this column and provide an additional beer sample for judging. An additional entry fee will not be required.

I hereby certify that the cheese submitted has been made using only pasteurised milk:

Signed:.....**date**.....

To be completed by cheese maker

Entry Fees: Entry fee of \$10.00 per entry (ie one beer and one cheese). Entry fees must be paid at time of lodgement, either by cash or cheque/money orders made payable to “Castle Hill and Hills District Agricultural Society”.

Total amount enclosed: \$ ☐ Cash ☐ Cheque ☐ Money Order

Complete bottle and cheese labels below. – cut along dotted line and tape label to bottle securely. Copy as required

----- Cut along dotted line-----

Entrants Names	Entrants Name
Class Number	Class Number
Class Description	Class Description
Style Letter	Style Letter
Style Description	Style Description

Entrants Names	Entrants Name
Cheese number	Cheese number

PARTICIPANTS INDEMNITY & WAIVER RISK WARNING

The Agricultural Societies Council of NSW advises that the participation, including passive participation, in events or activities at an agricultural show contain elements of risk, both obvious and inherent. The risks involved may result in property damage and/or personal injury including death.

TO BE SIGNED BY PARTICIPANT OVER 18 YEARS OF AGE

1. I the signatory acknowledge, agree, and understand that participation, including passive participation, in events and activities at this, or at any show contains an element of risk of injury and I agree that I undertake any such risk voluntarily of my own free will and at my own risk.
2. I the signatory acknowledge, agree and understand that the risk warning at the top of this form constitutes a 'risk warning' for the purposes of Division 5 of the Civil Liability Act 2002 (NSW).
3. I the signatory acknowledge the risk referred to above and agree to waive any and all rights that I, or any other person claiming through me, may have against the Castle Hill Show Society in relation to any loss or injury (including death) that is suffered by me as a result of the undersigned's participation in any event held by the show.
4. The signatory must continually indemnify the Castle Hill Show Society on a full indemnity basis against any claim or proceeding that is made, threatened or commenced and any liability, loss (including consequential loss and loss of profits), damages or expense (including legal costs on a full indemnity basis) that the Castle Hill Show Society incurs or suffers, as a direct or indirect result of the participant's participation in any event held by the Castle Hill Show Society.

I have read this Indemnity and Wavier form and acknowledge and agree with its contents. I have made further enquiries which I feel are necessary or desirable and fully understand the risks involved in this activity.

Name _____

Address _____

Signature _____ Date _____

TO BE SIGNED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN OF SUBJECT MINOR

1. I the signatory acknowledge, agree and understand that participation, including passive participation, in events and activities at this, or at any show contains an element of risk of injury.
2. I the signatory acknowledge, agree and understand that the risk warning at the top of this form constitutes a 'risk warning' for the purposes of Division 5 of the Civil Liability Act 2002 (NSW).
3. I understand that by participating in this show, _____ (name of minor) may become exposed to the risk of injury, and I consent to the participation.
4. I, the signatory assert that the above named minor voluntarily consents to participation in this Show
5. I, the signatory acknowledge the risk referred to above and agree to waive any and all rights the above named minor, or any other person, may have against the Castle Hill Show Society in relation to any loss or injury (including death) that is suffered by the above named minor as a result of participation in this show.
6. The signatory must continually indemnify the Castle Hill Show Society on a full indemnity basis against any claim or proceeding that is made, threatened or commenced, and any liability, loss including consequential loss, and loss of profits, damage or expense (including legal costs on a full indemnity basis that Castle Hill Show Society incurs or suffers, as a direct or indirect result of the above named minor's participation in any event held by the Castle Hill Show Society.

I have read this form and acknowledge and agree with its contents. I have made further enquiries which I feel are necessary or desirable and fully understand the risks involved in this activity.

I _____

am the parent/guardian of _____ Date of Birth _____

Name _____

Address _____

Signature _____ Date _____