

BECON

2-17-2023

Guests

Today our guest speakers were Tim and Travis from Meadowlark Brewing. Kelly Elletson (sometimes known as Tracy) let them do their own introductions and they did ok. Also in house today, we had Matt Brauser a guest of Don Lorenz.

Announcements

There were a bunch of thank you cards passed around this morning, sadly I did not get to see them so I can't report on them.

Craig mentioned we have three events this weekend, so please check to make sure if you are scheduled to work. Also, a sign up sheet was passed around for the BEC game night on March 4th. It is a potluck. If you are interested in signing up, contact Tanner Critelli for more information.

Wiley ran into one of the county commissioners recently and he asked why the club didn't put in for the RFP for selling beer on the Metra grounds. That is something the board will be looking into.

Next weeks program will be Tim Goodrich from the Metra as well as the food and beverage manager.

This morning's presentation was one for the books. Tim and Travis spoke not only about some of the finer points about brewing beer, but they talked a lot about their vision for Meadowlark Brewing.

It appears that Travis's story started very early on when his parents bought him a brewing kit when he was very young. Travis moved away from the Sidney area but came back to help his father with the family business. After a while, his father suggested that he start the brewery and thus Meadowlark was formed. They pride themselves on using local grains and products and even mentioned they want the drinker to be able to taste the ground the grains and hops were grown in.

(Fun fact of the day, Jimmy Carter was the man that made home brewing legal)

One of the unique things that Meadowlark can quietly brag about is they have a couple of their products that are nearly gluten free. This is caused by one of the enzymes that they use in making some of their beers. If more of the enzyme is used, it breaks down the strands, destroying the gluten. If you have problems with gluten, drive on over and ask for suggestions.

Next Friday they are having a beer tasting event using different styles of glass ware. We were educated this morning that we have been drinking out of the wrong types of glasses for a long time. Pint glasses were designed for ease of use for the breweries and not for taste.

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Here is the link for next week's tasting if you are interested. They did bring in some tasty samples this morning and from everything that I saw, they were well received.

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

2-18 MSU-B BBall
5:45PM

2-18 Monster Trucks
5:30PM

2-23 MSU-B BBall
4:00PM

2-25 MSU-B BBall
4:00PM



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