

HOPS Sun Jan 29 & Sun Feb 12

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Next two HOPS meetings

Sunday Jan 29th at Kona Koko Marina Pub at 1:00 pm

Sunday Feb 12th at The Varsity – Beer Styles and Beer Tasting

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All About Kona Brews on Sunday Jan 29th at 1:00 pm at Kona Koko Marina Pub

Enjoy Kona microbrews on tap with many styles not available in bottles. Mahalo to Kona brewing for offering us happy hour mug prices during our HOPS event. Try new styles only available seasonally or at the pub including

- Dry Side Stout Da Grind Buzz Kona Coffee Stout
- Kona Gold Lemon Grass Luau Ale
- Pacifier IPA Mauka to Makai
- Koko Brown Wailua Wheat

No HOPS cost for this meeting, everyone pays for their food and beer on separate tickets.

Added Bonus – Ledward Kaapana's slack key master

Ledward plays at Kona Koko Marina pub most Sunday evenings starting at 6 pm or a little earlier. It's a chance to catch a slack key legend in a close up setting.

For more info here's the link <http://konabrewingco.com/pubs/koko-marina-pub/>
Kona Brewing Company Koko Marina Pub 808-396-5662
7192 Kalaniana'ole Highway Inside Hawaii Kai, waterside Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

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FEB HOPS Meeting

Sunday Feb 12th at The Varsity – Beer Styles and Beer Tasting

Come on out to The Varsity for a session on beer tastes, aromas, and flavors. The Varsity has a great selection of microbrew styles on tap and bar manager Darek is going to line us up with a good selection to choose from for this styles tasting meeting. We'll buy pitchers so everyone gets a chance to sample each style as we progress from light to dark and imperial styles, and low hop to choke hops. We'll be using the BJCP beer style guidelines and beer judging scoresheets to evaluate the

aromas and flavors of beer we're tasting. If you want to look ahead at beer styles check out the BJCP website. <http://www.bjcp.org/stylecenter.php>

The Varsity is on University Ave near King Street. Many good microbrews on tap. Bar manager Darek can point you in the right direction if you want to try a particular brew or style.

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Want to see photos from the HOPS trolley pub crawl?

Mike O'Hara posted pub crawl photos at a password protected website.

Mike is a professional events photographer should you have an event you'd like to talk to him about. Michael O'Hara Photography

(v) 808.286-7956

Photos can be viewed on Photobucket. Password is Melemele

<http://photobucket.com/guestlogin?albumUrl=http%3A%2F%2Fs125.photobucket.com%2Falbums%2Fp42%2FHulaMike%2FHOPS%2520Holiday%2520Pub%2520Crawl%25202011%2F%3Falbumview%3Dslideshow>

Please do not upload these photos to another site or put our HOPS trolley pub crawl photos on Facebook or other sites. Quite a few HOPS members have requested this courtesy to not have HOPS event photos posted on Facebook and other pages to avoid the potential for coworkers and others to see.

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17th Annual Kona Brewers Festival

17th Annual Kona Brewers Festival is March 10th

Tickets \$60 and they sell out quickly, so don't wait if you're planning to go.

Check on-line to buy tickets, or purchase them at the Kona Koko Marina Pub right around Jan 30th, maybe at our meeting if they arrive early. Koko Marina pub tickets sell out fast as do the tickets sold on line.

For more info on the Brewers Festival, which is a fabulous event with an excellent selection of brews, ono grinds, held oceanfront at the King Kam Hotel in Kona.

You can find out more about the Kona Brewers Festival at:

<http://www.konabrewersfestival.com/>

Kona Brewers Festival Homebrewers Competition

<http://sites.google.com/site/konabrewcontest/>

Our 2 Big Island brew clubs are hosting the Kona Brewers AHA/BJCP sanctioned competition; The Kona Coast Barley Boys and The Orchid Isle Alers. This will be the second Rocket Rod Homebrew Competition

Entry period: starts Monday, February 6 and closes on Thursday, March 1

Best of Show Awards for Beers and for Meads and Ciders will be given.

Special Kona Brewers Festival Home Brewer shirts available this year!

The Homebrew Competition winners will be announced at the Kona Brewers Festival on March 10 and results will be posted on the Kona Home Brew Competition website.

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UPCOMING BEER EVENTS and TASTINGS

Looking for beer tasting dinners and events? Follow BeerEvents808 on twitter & Beer 808 on Facebook or Check out www.beer808.com

House of Brews at Bar 35

35 N Hotel Street www.bar35hawaii.com

Wednesdays at Bar 35 from 6 to 8 pm

Cost \$20 per person includes Valentini Fusion-Gourmet Pizza and Select Beer Samples

Weds January 25th: Allied Importers

Weds Feb 1st: Groundhog Day Brews

Weds Feb 8th: Date Night Brews

Weds Feb 15th: Hybrid beer (featuring Samuel Adams Infinium)

Weds Feb 22nd: IPAs

Weds Feb 29th: West Coast Ale Trail

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BEER DINNERS

The Brewer's Table: "Belgian Inspiration" Beer Dinner

Friday, January 27, 2012

Reception at 6 pm, Dinner 6:30 pm

Brasserie du Vin - 1115 Bethel Street

\$55 per person

Hops & Grinds: "Beer Lover's Ball"

Friday, February 17, 2012, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Pagoda Floating Restaurant

\$25 per person advance

\$30 at the door

Sam Choy's Big Aloha Brewery Brewers Dinner

at Sam Choy's Breakfast Lunch and Crab, 580 N Nimitz Highway

Brewers dinners are the 3rd Thurs of each month

5-course dinner paired with fresh excellent Sam Choy's Big Aloha Brews

Info and reservations at 545-7979

Thursday, January 19th. If you have not made your reservation yet, please call 545-7979.

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