

BCHA meeting minutes

Tom Arnold's place

March 19, 2026

Attendees: Eric Svensen, David Sinton, Tricia Winslow, Ben Schweitzer, Eileen Ray, Tom Barrett, Casey Knopp, Tom Arnold and Terry McCoige

Current Business:

- Approved minutes from the February 19, 2026 meeting with a unanimous vote

Topics:

Location for April meeting-Silver Basin; Location for June meeting-Eric's place

Membership Drive/Big Brew Day-This event will be held on May 2nd and the Shelter will host. Casey is coordinating this event. He is shooting for all Colorado ingredients, if possible. The Shelter is booking a band and making a big deal for it. Please consider brewing with us!

County Fair Competition-Folks should plan on starting brewing for the event, which is the last week of July! Judging to be held on July 21st.

Barrel projects: Matt has his barrel filled with a number of different brewing projects, including the women's group! There is a Doppelbock in that one. Casey is lining up brewers for an Imperial Stout to go into one of the barrels and a Trippel in the other.

Women's Brew Day Recap: Terry talked about the women's brewing project at Matt's Place (thanks Matt!). We had Terry, Eileen, Missy, Deanna, and Jacqueline (friend of Deanna's) along with Dave and Eric for moral support. Had some issues towards the end and had to do a redo but still had a great time and learned a lot!

Oktoberfest: We hope to get more volunteers as we need them and if anyone needs info on doing the TIPS certification, let us know. Not necessary to have to volunteer!

Ramblebine ProAm- Collared Lizard Classic: Some of our brewers submitted their brews and will discuss how they did once they know! Results announced on March 22nd.

MoreBeer Affiliate Program-We have \$125.52 in commissions-keep ordering your supplies, through our website so we can make more \$\$!

Meet the Brewer-Casey Knopp. We are doing a new series to learn more about how our club members got into brewing and what they like about it! Next "Meet the Brewer" will feature Matt Landt!

Homebrew Sampling & Feedback

Discussion-Brewing process & software. We discussed the different types of processes folks use and which software brewers use. Casey, Eric and Dave use Brewfather and Matt goes with Beersmith. A handout was given with the different software options.

Upcoming events:

April BCHA meeting-April 16, 202, 6pm, location is Silver Basin, theme is German Pilsners

Colorado Pint Day-Wednesday, April 29, various locations in state including Pomona

Big Brew Day, May 2 at Shelter

Love your Valley Festival-Saturday, May 9 from 1-6pm at Ridgway Town Park

May BCHA meeting-May 21 at 6pm at Casey's house, 619 N 1st St in Montrose

Montrose Wine Festival-Saturday, May 30 from 1-5pm, Montrose Rotary Amphitheater

June BCHA meeting-June 18 at Eric's place, theme is English Style Beers

Deadline to entry Montrose County Fair-Saturday, July 18

Beer Judging at Montrose County Fair-Tuesday, July 21, 6pm

San Juan Brewfest-Friday & Saturday, August 28 & 29 at Buckley Park in Durango