

# **Yakima Valley Hop Heads Brew Club**

Bylaws:

## **ARTICLE ONE**

### **Section 1. Name**

The name of this organization shall be the Yakima Valley Hop Heads Brew Club

### **Section 2. Vision**

- The Yakima Valley Hop Heads Brew Club is dedicated to the understanding and enjoyment of all aspects of the brewing processes, developing relationships with other like-minded individuals, and furthering the knowledge of its members and community with regards to brewing related activities.

### **Section 3. Mission**

- The mission of the Yakima Valley Hop Heads Brew Club shall be to encourage all members:
  - To promote awareness and appreciation of the quality and variety of homebrewed fermented beverages (beer, mead, cider, etc.) through education, research, and the collection and dissemination of information
  - To develop as both brewers and lovers of beer by providing quality feedback through discussion of different brewing strategies/practices and taste testing
  - To gather and socialize with fellow lovers of brewing and beer while encouraging personal responsibility when consuming alcohol containing beverages.

### **Section 4. Goals**

- In supporting the mission of the Yakima Valley Hop Heads Brew Club , member goals include:
  - Engaging in social activities focused on home brewing and/or craft beer as a common foundation.
  - Learning more about beer, components of beer, styles of beer, beer evaluation, and brewing techniques.
  - Promoting the hobby and enjoyment of home brewing.
  - Encouraging the responsible use and enjoyment of alcoholic beverages
  - Collaborate with local brewing industry partners to advance state of home brewing

### **Section 5. Membership**

- The membership of the Yakima Valley Hop Heads Brew Club shall be open to:
  - Any person who is of legal drinking age in the state of Washington
  - Enjoys fine beers, either by making their own or by enjoying the work of others.
  - Individuals who share mutual respect for all levels of home brewer experience – beginner or advanced, with no exceptions.
  - Who has a positive attitude towards the art of brewing and the club as a whole
  - Club membership shall not be denied to any individual on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, or sex.
  - Participation in this club is entirely voluntary. Members know that participation in club activities may involve the consumption of an alcoholic beverage and this may affect their perception and reactions. Members accept responsibilities for their conduct, behavior, and actions. Participation may include guests that may be present at club activities, wherever they may be held
- A non-club member is allowed two (2) visits to official club meetings before they must become members in good standing, to participate in club related activities.

- To remain in good standing, it is each member's responsibility to work with members and officials for the betterment of the club. This includes but is not limited to:
  - Meeting attendance, submitting new ideas, hosting events, or participating in events.
  - Contribute dues in accordance with dues payments as set forth by Board of Directors
  - Current dues structure is \$20/year per member
- Any club member that does not adhere to the bylaws or conform to the club's ethics will have their membership revoked even if dues are paid in full with no refund.

## **Section 6. Headquarters**

- The headquarters of this club shall be Yakima Valley Hops, located in Yakima, WA, until such time that the shop permanently closes, or the shop asks the club to locate elsewhere, or if the membership, by resolution, decides to locate elsewhere.

## ARTICLE TWO – Government

### **Section 1. Supreme Law**

- All legislative and executive powers shall be given to and controlled by the Board of Directors.
- The Board of Directors shall consist of all the elected officers of this Society.

### **Section 2. Elected Officers**

- The elected officers of this Society shall be:
  - President – Assigned duties of Treasurer for first year
  - Vice-President – Assigned duties of Secretary for first year
  - Media Productions Coordinator
  - Treasurer (Will be elected in 2020)
  - Secretary (Will be elected in 2020)

### **Section 3: Terms of Office**

- To be determined at a later date

## ARTICLE THREE – Duties of Elected Officers

- **PRESIDENT**
  - Shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and General Membership and be Ex-officio member of every committee.
  - Shall act as the principle point-of-contact between the Yakima Valley Hop Heads Brew Club and the American Homebrewers Association, other homebrew clubs, businesses, and organizations.
  - Shall assist in the execution of committees and be responsible for directing and advising committees formed by the Board of Directors and coordinate committee activity with other functions of the club
  - Shall be in charge of all member education including - planning the meeting, arranging for topical discussions, demonstrations or guest speakers.
  - Shall be the main point of contact and developer of creating sponsorships and collaborating with industry partners and local brewers
  - Shall maintain the club's email and social media platforms
  - Shall be in charge of coordinating and organizing homebrew competitions
- **VICE PRESIDENT**
  - Shall, in the absence of the President, will fulfill all duties as described
  - Shall work under the direction of the President to advance and promote the good image and beneficial works of the Yakima Valley Hop Heads Brew Club
  - Shall be in charge of coordinating and organizing group events

- Shall assist the president in collaborating with industry partners and local breweries
- Shall be in charge of beer tasting / sampling at club meetings
- TREASURER
  - Shall work under the direction of the President to advance and promote the good image and beneficial works of the Yakima Valley Hop Heads Brew Club
  - Shall have the overall responsibility of care and custody for all club funds and securities
  - Shall collect dues for deposit in the club's account and maintain an active membership list
  - Shall keep correct books of account of all its business and transactions
- SECRETARY
  - Shall work under the direction of the President to advance and promote the good image and beneficial works of the Yakima Valley Hop Heads Brew Club
  - Shall provide accurate minutes of each club meeting to the general membership
  - Shall assist the treasurer in maintaining the membership list
  - Shall assist the president in maintaining the club's email and social media platforms
- MEDIA PRODUCTIONS COORDINATOR
  - Shall work under the direction of the President to advance and promote the good image and beneficial works of the Yakima Valley Hop Heads Brew Club
  - Shall be in charge of video, photo, and editing, in order to promote club with best current practices to improve club image and presence in social media realm
  - Shall be responsible for maintaining of club website