

SWEETHEARTS REVENGE 2023

Official Rules and Regulations

Event Details

Sweetheart's Revenge will be virtual and in person this year with in-person judging and the Awards Ceremony scheduled for February 25th, 2023, at Verboten Brewing and Barrel Project in Loveland. Please note that the in-person events scheduled for February 25th, 2023, are subject to cancellation based on current health guidelines. The Sweetheart's Revenge 2023 competition will comply with all applicable health guidelines as required at the time of the competition.

- **Waiver:**

- Participation in Sweetheart's Revenge 2023 Homebrew Competition is entirely voluntary.
- Participation in these activities may involve the consumption of alcoholic beverages which may affect perception and reactions.
- Members will accept individual responsibility for their conduct and behavior.
- Sweetheart's Revenge 2023 and the Weiz Guys Homebrew Club will not assume or accept responsibility for an individual's actions.
- Participants agree that driving while intoxicated is a serious violation of law and that they will find alternate transportation if they are unable to safely and legally operate a motor vehicle.
- Participants agree they alone are responsible for their actions before, during and after Sweetheart's Revenge, including, but not limited to, decisions about driving after consuming alcoholic beverages and waive any claim, legal or otherwise, against the competition, club, its members, hosts, and guests.

- **Competition**

- Virtual Judging: February 5th, 2023, through February 18th, 2023.
- In-Person Judging: Saturday, February 25th, 2023, at Verboten Brewing and Barrel Project.
- Awards Ceremony: 7:00 pm at Verboten Brewing and Barrel Project.
 - Ceremony will also be broadcast over social media.

- **Entries**

- Entry window: January 1st through January 31st, 2023
- \$9 per entry. No limit on number of entries per individual.

- An entry consists of (3) 10 oz or larger bottles/cans to be considered for Best of Show (BOS) and eligibility for Pro-Am awards.
- Applicants may enter (2) bottles/cans if they do not wish to be considered for Best of Show (BOS) or Pro-Am.
- **Drop Off or Ship To:**
 - Sparge Brewing, c/o Richard Efird, 3999 GW Bush Ave, Unit 101, Wellington, CO 80549
 - **Entries must be received by 1/31/2022 to be eligible.**
- **Drop Off Only:**
 - Boulder Fermentation Supply, 2510 47th St, Unit 2, Boulder, CO 80301
 - Brew Hut, 15120 E Hampden Ave, Aurora, CO 80014
 - Fred Hirsch Residence, Cheyenne, WY
 - Quirky Homebrew, 425 W 115th Ave #6, Northglenn, CO 80234
 - Tom's Brew Shop, 883 Parfet St, Unit I, Lakewood, CO 80215
 - Trinity Brewing, 4630 Forge Road, Colorado Springs, CO 80907
 - Verboten Brewing and Barrel Project, 127 E. 5th St, Loveland, CO 80537
 - Zwei Brewing Co., 4612 Mason St #120, Fort Collins, CO 80525

Entry, Judging, Stewarding and Awards

- **Eligibility:**
 - All entries must be made on a homebrew system.
 - No entries from a commercial brewing operation or brewed using commercial equipment will be accepted.
- **Attendance:**
 - Sweetheart's Revenge 2023 competition will be in person on February 25th, 2023 and will comply with all applicable health guidelines as required at the time of the competition.
 - All individuals attending the in-person events are required to comply with all applicable health guidelines as required at the time of the competition.
- **Judging Overview**
 - Judges will not be assigned flights in which they have an entry.
 - Judging is based on the:
 - 2021 Beer Style Guidelines
 - 2015 Mead Style Guidelines
 - 2015 Cider Style Guidelines

- Every effort will be made to invite BJCP-qualified judges.
 - Persons interested in judging can apply by going to the competition website at weizguys.com/venge/.
 - Click on 'Register at ReggieBeer.com' button, create an account and/or log in, then select 'Judging and Stewarding' from the options once logged in.
 - Select the session(s) you would like and the beer/cider/mead styles you prefer.
 - Every effort will be made to pair novice and inexperienced judges with certified judges to ensure a learning experience for new judges, and accurate scoresheets for entrants.
 - In-person judging will use the printed AHA/BJCP Scoresheets.
- **Virtual Judging**
 - Virtual judging scoresheets will be electronic through ReggieBeer.com.
 - Virtual judging will be held from February 5th, 2023, to February 18th, 2023.
 - Judges are encouraged to complete the judging online, over the telephone or in a small group following current health guidelines.
 - Should judges decide to meet in person, the Weiz Guys Homebrew Club and Sweethearts Revenge 2023 shall not be held liable for any subsequent issues such as contracting, or spreading Covid 19, or any other alcohol related issues described in the waiver.
- **Virtual Judging Packets/Boxes**
 - Distribution of entries to be judged virtually is from four (4) pick-up locations.
 - Verboten Brewing & Barrel Project: 127 E 5th St, Loveland, CO 80537
 - The Brew Hut: 15120 East Hampden Ave, Aurora, CO 80014
 - Trinity Brewing Co.: 4630 Forge Rd, #B, Colorado Springs, CO 80907
 - Fred Hirsch Residence, Cheyenne, WY.
 - Pick-up location must be specified when signing up to judge at ReggieBeer.com
- **Stewarding**
 - Stewards will be expected to arrive at least 15 minutes prior to their session to help set up the table, prepare scoresheets and collect entries for the session.
 - Stewards may be invited to taste samples at the discretion of the judges and in compliance with current health guidelines; however, they may not voice opinions on the entry.
- **Awards:**
 - Entries must receive a minimum score of 30 to be awarded a medal.
 - The competition organizers reserve the right not to award medals for all places if deemed appropriate by the Judge Director.

- Entries may be disqualified from the competition by the Organizer for failure to comply with any of the official rules.
- **Entries per Individual:**
 - There is not a cap on the number of entries or subcategories per applicant.
- **Entries per Competition**
 - There is not an entry cap on this competition.
- **Entries Accepted:**
 - Sweetheart's Revenge accepts homebrewed entries based on:
 - 2021 Beer Style Guidelines
 - 2015 Mead Style Guidelines
 - 2015 Cider Style Guidelines
 - All guidelines can be found at: <https://www.bjcp.org/bjcp-style-guidelines/>
- **Entry Restrictions:**
 - Cannabis/THC/CBD or ingredient derivative of entries will not be accepted.
- **Deadlines:**
 - Entries will be accepted from January 1st through January 31st, 2023.
 - **Entries must be received by 1/31/2023 to be eligible to compete.**
 - Fees must accompany entries and will be processed through the online registration. Entry fees are not refundable.
 - Walk in entries to the competition are not accepted. Proper packaging for entries is the responsibility of the entrant.
 - **No entries will be accepted after January 31st, 2023.**
- **Valentines Brew**
 - Sweetheart's Revenge will once again have a special Valentine's Day themed brew category. Any type of Valentine's Day themed beer, mead, or cider will be accepted. Bitter, Sour, Sweet, Catty... Create a beverage with the flavors that represent your feelings about Valentine's Day or your Valentine!
- **How to Enter:**
 - Select "Register at ReggieBeer.com" button at <https://weizguys.com/revenge>
 - Select "Sweetheart's Revenge 2023" under "Competitions: Upcoming" at ReggieBeer.com
- **Bottles/Cans:**

- To ensure the anonymity of entrants, submit three (3) bottles/cans, 10 fluid ounces or larger with no paper or inked labels, or any other identifying or distinguishing marks on the bottle and/or can.
 - Raised brewery lettering on imported bottles/cans or beverages with national distribution are acceptable but not encouraged.
 - Remove or blur beyond distinction any identifying marks from bottle caps.
 - Solid color bottle caps are acceptable.
 - Caps with identifiable markings that make them unique as determined by the Judge Director with visible symbols, writing, etching, coating, etc. will be disqualified.
 - If there is any doubt that a cap is compliant, it is recommended to apply a coat of opaque black (sharpie) ink to all surfaces of the caps.
- **Bottle/Can Forms:**
 - The online registration system will generate forms for use on each of your bottled/canned entries.
 - A fully completed, legible bottle/can identification form must accompany each entry bottle/can.
 - Bottle/can ID forms must be affixed to each bottle/can with a rubber band.
 - **Do not tape forms to bottles/cans.**
 - Forms may be duplicated.
 - Incomplete or illegible forms may result in disqualification.
 - Categories may be combined at the discretion of the Organizer and the Judge Director.
 - Entries in combined categories will be judged according to the style originally indicated by the brewer on the entry form.
- **Sweethearts Revenge Competition Awards:**
 - Entries must receive a minimum score of 30 to be awarded a medal.
 - The competition organizers reserve the right not to award medals for all places if deemed appropriate by the Judge Director.
 - Entries may be disqualified from the competition by the Organizer for failure to comply with any of the official rules.
 - The awards ceremony will be broadcast on social media at 7:00pm on Saturday, February 25th, 2023, and in-person at Verboten Brewing and Barrel Project.
- **Sweetheart's Brew Awards**
 - There will be a Special Award presented to the winner of this category in addition to a competition medal.
 - Medals will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd places.

- Sweetheart's Brews will be judged in a "Best of Show" format; however, additional feedback will be provided in a fun Valentine's Day format.
- **Pro/Am Awards:**
 - Pro/Am selections are made on Saturday, February 25th, 2023, by participating brewers at the completion of the Best of Show Competition.
 - Brewing Pro/Am selections are at the discretion of the participating brewer.
 - Winning home brewers must provide their own transportation and/or accommodation fees to participate at the brewing of their winning entry.