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Welcome to October's Beer Club Box!

We start with the prequel to last month's 'Whiskers On Kittens' with the return of the much lauded 'Raindrops On Roses' - a 5.3% Belgian wit infused with rose petals. This beer won the Home Brewer Challenge in 2016 (and got itself a Waitrose listing as a result!) and convinced Phil Sisson to give up home brewing and set up his first commercial venture with Simple Things Fermentations. We then delve deeper in to the archive to unleash 'Valravn'. This is the amped up version of our multi award winning Wild Raven, an 8.8% Imperial Black IPA to savour whilst chasing off trick-or-treaters! Following the Halloween theme, we have 'Blood Orange Halcyon' - we take our stalwart 7.4% West Coast IPA and infuse it with bitter sweet blood orange to add complexity and zing. We also have the return leg of our collaboration series with Rivington, 'Boise Brown' is a 6.5% American Brown Ale with lashings of Galaxy hops to give a modern take on a traditional style. Last but not least, we have the away leg of a collaboration series with the highly sought after Manchester brewery, Squawk. 'Condor' is a 5% DDH Pale Ale which will precede another suitably avian themed beer name when the Squawk team brew with us later this month for release in November. Cheers!

VALRAVN

IMPERIAL BLACK IPA 8.8%



Valravn is an imperial version of Thornbridge favourite (and twice winner of 'World's Best Black IPA') Wild Raven! We have used all the same ingredients which helped to make the original so popular and ramped them up to make this an amplified experience. The complex malt bill provides a rich, dark appearance and a light roastiness, with notes of blackberry and dark chocolate. The hops work as a great complement, introducing a fresh lemongrass character, with hints of citrus zest and grapefruit.

-  NELSON SAUVIN / SORACHI ACE / ELLA / CENTENNIAL
-  LOW COLOUR MARIS OTTER / MUNICH / MIDNIGHT WHEAT / CHOCOLATE / CARAMALT
-  DARK
-  GRASSY, PINE
-  LEMON, POMELO
-  BRISKET BURNT ENDS

RAINDROPS ON ROSES

BELGIAN WIT WITH ROSE PETALS 5.3%



This beer was the 2016 Great British Homebrew Challenge Champion, created originally by Phil Sisson. It proved very popular as the winner, and we thought it would be a fun one to bring back. Hazy gold in colour and silky smooth in mouthfeel, the bouquet has notes of rose, lemon, chamomile and coriander poking through, while the taste is tart and slightly fruity, with just a kiss of hops. The crisp carbonation and acidity give a sparkling finish to this wonderful Belgian Witbier.

-  SIMCOE / CASCADE
-  LOW COLOUR MARIS OTTER / WHEAT
-  BURNT GOLD
-  GRASSY, LEMON
-  BISCUITY, LIGHT CARAMEL
-  TRADITIONAL COTTAGE PIE

BOISE BROWN

AMERICAN BROWN 6.5%



Rivington are well known for brewing an amazing range of beers, so we have been very excited to create a new one with them! This is an American Brown Ale, beginning with the subtle malt complexities of the brown ale style, with caramel, chocolate and just a hint of nuttiness coming through, then using this as a canvas for the addition of pungent American hops. These bring citrus, pine and a light tropical character to the fore, complementing the malt bill perfectly and creating a harmoniously balanced beer.

-  GALAXY / TALUS / CITRA
-  LOW COLOUR MARIS OTTER / MUNICH / WHEAT / CRYSTAL / CHOCOLATE
-  MAHOGANY
-  MANGO, PINE
-  LEMON, HAZELNUT
-  AGED GOUDA

BLOOD ORANGE HALCYON

BLOOD ORANGE IMPERIAL IPA 7.4%



We have found that our Imperial IPA, Halcyon, provides a fantastic canvas for different fruit additions that really accentuate the big tropical characters already present from the generous hopping we use. Blood orange seemed like a perfect one to use, with its distinctive sweetness balancing beautifully with the grapefruit and tangerine character already present. The dry and thirst quenching bitterness in the finish makes this a fantastically balanced beer.

-  GALAXY / ELLA / CHINOOK / NELSON SAUVIN / BRAMLING CROSS
-  LOW COLOUR MARIS OTTER / WHEAT
-  LIGHT RED
-  BLOOD ORANGE, GRAPEFRUIT
-  LEMON, TANGERINE
-  CRAB CAKE SLIDERS

CONDOR

DDH PALE 5.0%



We teamed up with Squawk Brewing Co. to brew two beers, Condor and Dotterel. Both have been brewed to the same ABV, with the same malts, and then we experimented with using different hops. Condor is double dry hopped with a mix of El Dorado, Ekuant and Citra Cryo Hops. It's light gold in colour with alluring aromas of pineapple and mango, on the palate it's juicy and refreshing with a lingering bitterness in the finish.

-  EL DORADO / EKUANOT / CITRA
-  EXTRA PALE MARIS OTTER / TORREFIED WHEAT / MALTED OATS
-  YELLOW STRAW
-  PINEAPPLE, ORANGE ZEST
-  TROPICAL FRUITS, CITRUS
-  HAWAIIAN CHICKEN TAQUITOS

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