

On Tap Lancaster Liederkranz Beer News May 12, 2021

There are some outstanding beers on draft at the Liederkranz. Here descriptions of a few of them.

Seven generations and almost 200 years later, the Bitburger Brewery is still in family hands and operating in this small city near the Our river bordering Luxembourg. The business has grown to be one of the biggest breweries in Germany, and the number one player in the draft beer market. Back in 1883, they became the first brewery to make a pilsner outside of the Bohemian region. The gently conditioned **Bitburger Pils** balances the unmistakable bitterness of the hops with an agreeable, mellow maltiness. A moderate 4.8% ABV makes the "Bit" a session treat.

The town of Einbeck has been a brewing center since the 1300's. Historically a community brewery, Einbecker Brauhaus has a "modern" history reaching back to the 18th century. Their renowned portfolio of dark lagers includes **Einbecker Schwartzbier**. Pilsner and dark roasted malts impart a virtually opaque brown color to this 5.3% ABV beer. It's distinctive palate, reminiscent of bitter chocolate, dry toffee and coffee, its restrained richness, and hoppy, dry finish make it comparable to the top-fermenting English stouts and porters. The Einbecker will follow the equally fine **Columbia Kettle Works Schwartzbier** on Tap #7.

The brewers at New Trail in Williamsport continue to crank out popular IPAs. Introduced in April 2020, the **New Trail Trail Runner** was brewed to support the Hyner Trail Challenge, a footrace which contains three major climbs and descents covering 4,000 feet of vertical over the 25K course. There's a 50k version as well. Hyner View State Park offers phenomenal Susquehanna River views as well as a take-off space for hang-gliding. This is a 6.4% ABV a hazy New England IPA brewed with a mixture of wheats and oats and "dartingly" hopped with HBC 630, Mosaic, & Columbus. HBC 630 is a new hop New Trail sourced in Yakima and is known for its flavors of cherry, raspberry, & candy. Drinkers can pick up notes of those red fruits matched with a cool pine background over a smooth malt base.

Lancaster Liederkranz beer drinkers enjoy quality regular beers and an array of rotating items. If one of the beers has gone off tap, ask your bartender to suggest a similar, tasty replacement. And remember, the current tap list is ALWAYS available at http://likbm.surge.sh/

Enjoy and see you at the Club! Lancaster Liederkranz Beer Guy - Jim Weber

The LLK beer staff always tries to satisfy customer interests by providing a range of beers for disparate tastes, alcoholic content, and budgets. We know beer drinkers at the Liederkranz take their beer seriously! If you have concerns, suggestions, comments, or just wish to send ramblings on the subject, please send to Jim Weber at jimweber.lancaster@gmail.com or Matt Trout matttrout44@gmail.com