

RALEIGH, N.C. — Beer judges from across the Southeast traveled to Mocksville for the eighth annual NC Brewers Cup competition. The Beer Judges Certification Program-sanctioned competition, sponsored by Pro Refrigeration Inc. and administered by the [NC Craft Brewers Guild](#), is the largest commercial craft beer competition in the state. This year the competition saw 710 entries submitted in 31 different style categories from 104 North Carolina craft breweries, breaking all records to date.

The 2019 Best of Show trophy went to [Cabarrus Brewing Company](#) in Concord for their English Golden Ale/English Summer Ale, "Daisy Roots," which competed against 30 other gold medal-winning beers to secure the top award. "Daisy Roots" is brewed with pale, mild, and caramel malts, flaked corn, rice, traditional English hops, as well as newer American and Australian varieties. It's a great balance between malt and hops for a thirst-quenching summer beer.

The other Best in Show winners are:

- Silver: [Divine Barrel Brewing](#), Charlotte: "Beer Flavored Beer," (Pre-Prohibition Lager), winner of the Historical Ale category.
- Bronze: [Little Brother Brewing](#), Greensboro: "Crispy Business," (Kellerbier), winner of the NC Homegrown category.
- Honorable Mention: [Wilmington Brewing](#): "Moon Dance Blonde Ale," (American Blonde Ale), winner of the Light American Hybrid category.

View the full competition results [here](#).

The "NC Homegrown" category was new to the competition. Qualifying entries were required to have at least 55 percent of the beer's dry-weight ingredients sourced from North Carolina. Little Brother Brewing's "Crispy Business" is a Light American Lager made with 100 percent North Carolina malt from [Epiphany Craft Malt](#) in Durham.

The NC Brewers Cup trophy and all category medals will be presented to winners at the annual NC Industry Awards Banquet held November 6th at the NC Craft Brewers Conference.

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