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Washington Beer Commission Events on the Move!

Seattle, WA - The Washington Beer Commission is proud to announce that two of its distinguished beer tasting events are moving to exciting new venues in 2012. The **Washington Brewers Festival**, the commission's premiere, Father's Day weekend event, is moving to King County's Marymoor Park in Redmond, WA after spending five of the last six years at St. Edward State Park in Kenmore, WA. The move will allow the 64 brewery event to continue its steady growth and expose Washington craft beers to a new clientele. Also on the move is the commission's wildly popular **Belgianfest** which will relocate from the Workshop at Magnuson Park to Bell Harbor on Seattle's waterfront on the first Saturday in February each year. This venue change is also to accommodate an increasing demand and should serve as home for the event for years to come.

The 2012 Washington Brewers Festival will take place June 15-17, and festival goers will find ample parking and a spectacular tree lined venue. "We are proud to offer Marymoor Park as the new home of the Washington Brewer's Festival in 2012 – a showcase of our state's finest craft brewers," said Jessica Emerson - King County Parks' Business Development Manager. "King County's Marymoor Park is a fantastic location, with convenient access to much of the region, and features the kind of amenities that make it a perfect fit for this traditional Pacific Northwest event."

The commission's third annual Belgianfest will take place on Saturday, February 4, 2012 and in this first year at Bell Harbor on Pier 66 the event will occupy the International Promenade event space. "The Bell Harbor International Conference Center gives us multiple options for continuing to grow Belgianfest in the coming years. This is a versatile venue with a beautiful waterfront location," said Matt Russell - Washington Beer Commission Director of Festival Operations.

Here is the current calendar for Washington Beer Commission tasting events in 2012:

February 4, Belgianfest - Bell Harbor International Conference Center (Pier 66)
March 31, Cask Festival - Seattle Center, Fisher Pavilion
June 15-17, Washington Brewers Festival - King County's Marymoor Park
July 21, Bremerton Summer Brewfest - Downtown Bremerton (Pacific Avenue)
September 21-22, Spokane Oktoberfest - Riverfront Park, Downtown Spokane
December 7-8, Winter Beer Festival - Hale's Ales Palladium, Seattle (Ballard)

Established in July 2007 the Commission represents all 153 breweries in Washington State. The Commission's mission is to promote Washington beer, benefit the state's breweries, and increase awareness and demand. It is still the only beer commission in the country!

For complete information including event ticket sales visit www.washingtonbeer.com

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