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# Issaquah Brewery's Frosty Frog repeats as **CHAMPION PORTER**

Princeton, NJ., March 6, 2009 – Issaquah Brewery's Frosty Frog was named **Grand Champion** at the 2009 United States Beer Tasting Championships in the Spice/Smoke beer category. Frosty Frog was also awarded the title of Pacific Northwest Champion in the Spice/Smoke beer category in 2008.

This is Issaquah Brewery's fourth award and second Grand Champion from the U.S. Beer Tasting Championships. Previous Pacific Northwest Champions were Issaquah Brewery's Bullfrog Ale in 2007 and Farm Frog Saison in 2006.

The 15th annual United States Beer Tasting Championship was held in December in Princeton, New Jersey. Over 400 beers from 141 breweries participated.

The U.S. Beer Tasting Championships takes a unique approach in that its competition is held in multiple stages. Sequential field trials are conducted wherein judges evaluate beers and select the best beers to advance to subsequent rounds. This allows beers to be judged in relatively small flights while ensuring that the best beers are still determined through head-to-head competition. All beers were tasted blind and judged on a hedonic scale.

Issaquah Brewery's Frosty Frog uses 11 ingredients: Bairds Maris Otter, Bairds Brown, Biscuit, and Bairds 30-75 Malts; Columbus, Chinook, and Amarillo Hops; Raisins, Molasses, Free Range Coastal Water and Pacman Yeast.



Issaquah Brewery's Frog beers, Menage-a-Frog, Bullfrog Ale and White Frog Ale and seasonal releases are available in Washington, at Rogue pubs in Oregon, Washington & California and at select fine retailers across the United States.

Located in the heart of historic downtown Issaquah, the Issaquah Brewhouse opened in 1994. It expanded into the adjacent Manicure nails shop in 2002 and the Masonic room in 2005 (now called the Lily Pad). The odd shape of the building is due to the Coal train tracks that used to be behind the building. Brewer Dave Hutchinson creates ales under the Issaquah Frog label. Issaquah Brewhouse offers catering, steam pot cooking for fresh & healthy seafood, meeting spaces, private parties, dog menu, a gift shop, brewery tours, and a children's play area.



**Brewer Dave Hutchinson**

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