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A Message from your President Bill Viancourt ABC# 132

Greetings from sunny Florida! It seems that the north has been having a Duncan winter. One week you are suffering through a polar vortex and the next week it is 50 degrees and you are flooding, followed by another blizzard. Fortunately, by the time this arrives in you inbox, it will be almost over. Let's hope that there are no boots and parkas in your Easter outfit.

It looks like we will have a busy collecting season. AB has announced the following bottles: the annual St. Pat's set, a Jackie Robinson commemorative, a bottle for each state brewery (2 in California) similar to the state quarter sets, and the continued efforts by Sun King and other smaller brewers who are bottling which will keep everybody scrambling. There is also an endless supply of non US bottles available on our Facebook page and eBay that should keep everybody happy.

Canvention in Albuquerque, New Mexico! In thought the drives to Omaha and Fort Worth were marathons. Driving to New Mexico from Ohio will be another chapter in driving fun. Of course there are a couple of side benefits, a stop in Las Vegas on the way should help increase the can budget by some careful wagering. Depending on your route, you will be able to pick up half of the Bud state bottles while only adding a couple hundred miles to your drive. But the destination is always worth the drive. We will have our annual meeting at the Canvention. It should be short and sweet, with a little news and a few yuks. We will have a couple or door prizes for those in attendance. I hope to see many of you there.

Still no movement on having two bottles of the year categories. There is some talk of having a bottle column in the news report separate from the can section. It would not take many fingers to count the number of bottles that appeared in the magazine last year. HOF and ABC board member Joe Germino has taken it upon himself to push for this to happen. It would help this cause if you mentioned the slight of our bottles to the powers-to-be when you have the opportunity. Squeaky wheels get the grease-sometimes.

Don't forget to invite your Facebook traders to join our chapter. We have a lot to offer for a very small dues payment. It's better to trade with a chapter member!

I hope your new year is going well. Hope to see you at Canvention of another show soon.

Bill

For this newsletter, many thanks to Bill Viancourt, Brad Ambruso, and Juan Carlos De Marco, for their contributions.

Dave's Ramblings

Greetings all,

I would like to thank Bill, Juan Carlos, and Brad for their contributions to our newsletter every issue.

I would especially like to thank Brad for his help. Brad sends me his articles in a Microsoft Publisher file, using our newsletter format. Where some articles takes me around an hour a page, Brad's takes between 5 to 10 minutes. Brad also supplies most of the miscellaneous news articles and maintains the chapter roster.

Some of you know that I started up a Facebook group called "Beer Can Sets". This is not just for cans, but also for cabottles and gallons. If you are interested in joining, please send me an e-mail or go on Facebook and to join there.



I collect beer can/cabottles/gallon sets, so I was pretty excited when I saw this Star Wars set on Facebook. However it turns out to be Japanese FIRE coffee cabottles. Oh well, but I would like to thank Tom Ford for the use of his picture.

I did break down and opened up my wallet to buy the 2018 Tsingato Zodiak set. It is definitely one of my favorites. It took over 2 months to arrive from China but it was worth the wait.

And now for my annual plea— please consider contributing any pictures and/or stories for the newsletter. Contact me at: David Vogl <<u>abc174dv@gmail.com</u>>.

Cheers,

Dave Vogl, ABC Newsletter Editor

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Chapter Tidbits

New Members: Since the last newsletter, no new members to welcome. We currently have 130 active members in the chapter.

Dues: Our current dues cycle is complete. The chapter only has 7 members who aren't yet lifetime members and they will be contacted after CANvention for renewals.

Facebook: Check out the ABC Chapter's two Facebook Pages. Our general page, Aluminum Bottle CANnoisseurs page, which is open to anyone is https://www.facebook.com/groups/abcchapter/. Our other page, ABC Chapter Members, is a closed group just for active ABC Members, can be found at https://

www.facebook.com/groups/abcchaptermembers/. Both groups can also be found by simply typing abcchapter into the Facebook search bar.

Website/Forum: The ABC Chapter website galleries now lists well over 4000 bottles. But there are always newer bottles, and some from the past, that get missed. If you run across a bottle not listed, or can provide better pictures of one that is, please contact Brad at: <u>webmaster@abcchapter.com</u>

or use the Bottle Submittal Form available from the webpage. The ABC Chapter Forum is still up and running. With the popularity of Facebook it doesn't get the traffic it used to, but still a good place to trade/find info on bottles. Check it out at <u>www.abcchapter.com/</u>forum/.

The ABC is an active at-large chapter of the **Brewery Collectibles Club of America, BCCA.** The BCCA is a national organization of collectors specializing in any kind of Breweriana. The club boasts a membership of 3500+ and hosts a National CANvention yearly. Perks of belonging to the BCCA include a subscription to Beer Cans & Brewery Collectibles-the high quality magazine, a membership roster, access to members only areas of the website, the right to attend the National CANvention, to name a few.

Check it out at <u>www.bcca.com</u> or give them a call at (636) 343-6436.



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Light Lime / NFL 201

A-B Liston

What's New in A-B?! Brad Ambruso ABC# 007

It would appear that Anheuser-Busch has had to do some tweaking to the back panels of their three major labels. Budweiser, Bud Light and Michelob Ultra new releases all have newer GAN's, but there aren't any changes to the overall bottle designs. All the changes are on the back panels and some are easier to find then others. Most of the changes are just moving around some of the wording on the back panel to using a white box instead of silver for the manufacturing code or visaversa. If you go by the 5 foot rule, you probably won't care much about these changes but all you variation guys may have some work to do. So far all new the bottles confirmed are twist tops. No news yet on any pry top changes or changes to other brands, BL Lime, Platinum, Michelob Golden, etc. Confirmed bottles are: Budweiser 503391 redem, Budweiser 503392 n/r, Bud Light 503388 redem, Bud Light



503378 n/r, Michelob Ultra 503399 redem and Michelob Ultra 503400 n/r.

One change to note, on new Budweiser twists anyway, is the new cap. Still using the red crown

logo they have added the familiar 'King of Beers' tag line. These caps also showed up on some of the earlier bottles and the re-released Budweiser A & Eagle bottles over the holidays.

Football season has come to an end, unless you're watching the AAF which might help with the withdraw symptoms that always come up this time of year. A late bottle that was confirmed was the Bud Light Arizona Cardinals 503251 redem. It was a little late because it ap-

pears to have been a stadium only release.



As anticipated, Bud Light released a Super Bowl bottle for Atlanta, 503409 redem. It is a typical Bud Light box design bottle with the trophy on one side and a large vertical Atlanta and Super Bowl LIII on the other. The bottle is somewhat similar to last years Super Bowl Minnesota bottle.

Bud Light didn't waste any time in releasing Super Bowl Champion bottles as they had them available at the parade just a couple days

after the game. The Bud Light New England Patriots bottle, 503476 redem, is a pry top with a catchy red and blue team colors design. The bottle also has the Patriots logo on both panels along with Super Bowl LIII Champions vertical on the other panel.





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With every Super Bowl winner there has to be a loser. The Bud Light Los Ange-

les Rams bottle (no GAN available) would have been released at their parade if things had gone a little different for them. The bottle incorporates the same design as the Patriots bottle with the green and white team colors. As is the story with all 'unintended release' (aka loser) bottles, these should be hard to find and probably pricey. Since both the Patriots and Rams bottles appeared so fast and the production run to staging times on bottles should be a couple weeks, is it possible there might be Chiefs and Saints bottles floating around. We've seen multiple loser bottles before so it's not out of the question.

Bottles for hockey are few and far between so it's always nice to see a new addition. The Michelob Golden Light 'Wild Fans' bottle, 503340 redem, was released

about the beginning of the NHL season. With the familiar golden neck the silver bottle has the state of Minnesota and logo one side while the other is paying hom-



age to their fans.

Argentina graced us with a 355ml twist top Budweiser via Mexico. The Budweiser A-B Crest bottle, 503008, is a Mexico release bottle with an import sticker for Argentina. Not too long ago they used the same bottle for Australia with import stickers. Must have had a bunch of extra

503008 bottles and decided to send them everywhere they could to use up the stock, my guess anyway.

Back in the Jan-Apr 2018 Cabottle Times I reported on a China Budweiser twist top 503072 bottle. Well if you're going to screw up may as well go all out. The bottle is actually for Korea.

The Korean Budweiser A-B Crest bottle, 503072 355ml twist has been released and is still just as elusive as when I thought it was for China. There is also a strange variation with these as one has a barcode sticker over the barcode on the bottle but both the sticker and the original barcode (pic below) are

the same. Not really sure what's up with that except that maybe they had already intended on using the sticker and just ran with it anyway or since the code lines on the sticker are black instead of silver, maybe it's easier for scanners to read. We may never know.











Even though I misreported the China twist last year, no harm done since there is a new Budweiser China twist out anyway. The Budweiser A-B Crest bottle, 330ml Wuhan Brewing, can finally be confirmed. One distinct way to spot these China A-B Crest bottles is the fact that it says 'Since 1876' below Budweiser on the front panel instead of 'King of Beers' like 99.5% of the other A-B Crest bottles. With the new bottle comes a new cap. Typical red crown cap but this version has open in Chinese characters on the side.



One that almost slipped by this year is the China Budweiser Brewmaster Reserve bottle, 355ml Wuhan Brewing. The main panels are the same as the 2017 version with some changes to the back panel wording.

The China Budweiser EDM (DJ Music) bottle, 355ml Wuhan Brewing, showed up in the fall in conjunction with all the music festivals held in China. The release is similar to all the Storm Music Festival bottles we have seen over the years. This bottle was meant to be more generic so it could go with just about any music festival they happen to have.



For the third year in a row a China Budweiser Halloween bottle, 355ml Wuhan

Brewing, has been released. Almost the same design we've seen on both it's predecessors but with 2018 under the bowtie on the neck. Halloween isn't a big deal over in China, they have their 'Day of the Dead' or whatever. Certain companies, A-B for example, are trying to promote the festivities by sponsoring concert/festivals around a Halloween theme. Any holiday is a good time for a beer so why not try to kindle peoples interest in yet another, if it will sell a few beers.









Budweiser has been sprucing up the Chinese New Year bottles a bit more every year. This years China Budweiser Pig bottle, 355ml Wuhan Brewing, is quite a bit different from years past. The bottle design is a menagerie of shapes with a few pigs mixed in throughout the bottle.

Vietnam The Budweiser New Year bottle. 355ml InBev, is a bit more subdued then the Chinese Pig bottle. Just a red bottle with a large 2019 over some kind of motif and Happy

New Year in Vietnamese on the bottle without any references



to the Year of the Pig.

There have been several Russia Bud bottles for soccer released over the years but never a stand alone, till now. The Russia Bud twist top bottle, 330ml InBev, is

the usual A-B Crest design with Bud instead of Budweiser on the front. The labeling of Bud on bottles (cans also) has been an ongoing thing in a trademark dispute with Budvar for over 100 years. Because of the dispute, Budweiser labels their products as Bud in most European countries. Budvar can label their products as Budweiser in those European countries but in North America they label it as Czechvar.

By the time this newsletter is published, the Bud Light and Budweiser St Pats bottles will have probably been released. The Bud Light has been changed up from last year replacing the A-B logo with a large shamrock. The Budweiser is real similar with a new brewmaster on the label. Both should be pry off bottles.





Budweiser Discovery Reserve, released last year as Budweiser Freedom Reserve in cans and glass bottles, has a new design. In addition to hopefully seeing this aluminum bottle, it will also be in 25oz cans and glass again.





Budweiser has tapered off on the MLB bottles over the past couple years, actually we didn't get a single bottle for 2018. Here's a design for the only MLB bottle (so far) that may be released this year. The Budweiser Jackie Robinson 42 bottle looks to be a tribute bottle and will hopefully be a national release rather than just around the New York area.

A new Budweiser State series of bottles is in the works and this time they will be partnering with the National Park Service. For every case sold, A-B will donate a dollar to the parks. There should be an America bottle, which looks to be a

national release. Every state that A-B has a brewery will also have a bottle with one of their national parks highlighted on the front panels. Since California has two breweries, looks like they'll get two bottles. Designs on these may change a bit since the NY and America bottle are pretty much the same picture and most of the bottles shown

don't have the Budweiser bowtie in these designs.



Coca-Cola Japan unveils New Year's Bottle

Limited-edition bottle celebrates the Year of the Boar.

Over the years, Coca-Cola has been producing some of its most unusual and sought-after bottles in Japan, with locals and visitors scrambling to get their hands on all the limited-edition varieties, especially the stunning regionalexclusive releases.

The famous brand also does big business with its seasonal packaging, bringing out fall leaf designs in autumn and cherry blossom bottles in spring. Last year, they released a New Year's design for the start of 2018 and now Coca-Cola have just announced they'll be continuing the tradition with a 2019 bottle too.

Featuring the festive white, red, and gold colors of a Japanese New Year, the design will be adorned with a variety of plum blossoms, which are often used as decorations during the New Year period. A symbol of beauty and an early harbinger of spring that people look forward to seeing in January and February, these plum blossoms add a celebratory element to the new coke bottle, making it perfect for festive get-togethers.

According to Coca-Cola, the glossy, brightly colored finish on the bottle also serves to resemble the exquisite cloth of a kimono, which many people choose



to wear when attending traditional events and festivities at the start of the year.



Seeing as 2019 is the Year of the Boar, Coca-Cola have decided to add a wild pig into the design as well. The animal is carefully hidden amongst the blossoms, though, so people can have fun searching for it!

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Grainwave's THC Beer in Aluminum Bottles

Ceria Brewing Companies debut product, Grainwave Belgian-Style White Ale, is now available at Green Solutions' dispensary locations across

Colorado.

The nonalcoholic beer, going for \$7.95 per 10-ounce aluminum bottle, will deliver 5 milligrams of THC to the drinker's system, about half the amount of many standard edible servings. The aim is to provide a high that is pleasant, relaxing and mellow enough to be enjoyed socially as well as recreationally.

"You should feel good but you won't get too stoned," Ceria co-founder and brewmaster Keith Villa said. "What better way to enjoy a Broncos game, especially when they're losing, than to have a couple of these and feel good?" Villa is known for making a different Belgian white ale. He created Blue



Moon, which put him on the brewing map in 1995. The brewmaster retired from Molson Coors earlier this year, and a short time later he and his wife, Jodi Villa, founded Ceria in their hometown of Arvada.

"We want to remove the stigma around cannabis," Villa said. "There are still a lot of people who won't go into a dispensary. This breaks down stigma. We truly believe it will change the industry."

Grainwave is brewed as a normal beer, and then the alcohol is removed. That's why its label calls it "dealcoholized cannabis beer." Villa formulated his beer with help Evergreen-based hemp research firm ebbu. The folks at ebbu helped Ceria connect with Keef Brands, makers of Keef Cola, Bubba Kush Root Beer and other infused sodas.

Its products have been available on dispensary shelves since before legalized sales began in 2014. Keef is providing the cannabis extract that spikes Villa's beer, as well as bottling and distributing the product.

Colorado has long been home to a vibrant brewing culture, as Villa can attest. And it was the first state to allow recreational marijuana sales. It seems only natural the two should meet. But federal law prohibits infusing alcoholic products with THC, leaving two options: Infuse beer with another nonpsychoactive component of cannabis, or two make a nonalcoholic beer.

Ceria has two other beers on deck: an American light lager and an India Pale Ale. The lager will pack less of a THC punch, 2.5 milligrams per bottle. The IPA will be more potent, with 10 milligrams in each.

International Aluminum Bottles Juan Carlos De Marco ABC# 031

CHINA: The Asian giant does not yield in its attempt to dominate the market of aluminum beer bottles, and in that sense they are (happily) appearing increasingly, more exemplars of beautiful bottles to collect

TSINGTAO:



CATS: probably some of the most beautiful pieces I've known so far. Sensitive, aesthetically attractive and artistically delicious,. Hats off to the designer.

DRAFT: This bottle has a modernist and simple concept, which highlights its intention to enhance the type of beverage it contains. Without too many attractions, you can say that it is a bottle for mass consumption.



YEAR OF THE PIG: here we have, as usual, the three new models of this company, increasingly more and more its popularity, appeared to celebrate the Year of the Pig (2019), according to the Chinese horoscope. These pieces must not be absent in any collection.



Also presented are photos from both sides of the 355 ml "Year of the Pig ".

The next photo shows the celestial bottle in its different phases.





YEAR OF THE DOG: If any collector was not aware of the two proposals that were edited in relation to the year of the Dog (2018) Here they are.



MAISEN BEER:

TWO FLAVORS: Again in the market of popular consumption, after several years of absence with cabottles, these two models of different flavors, give us the hope that we will be able to expect new proposals.





BOITLOANT:

Another rare Chinese piece with intentions to settle in the market. It doesn't have too many particular signs, but its green hue gives it a different appeal.

CARLSBERG:

It is not usual for this Danish company to venture into the Chinese market, but this edition celebrating the New Year 2019 is a sign of the interest in entering the world's largest market. Welcome and go for more...



BELGIUM

PREMIUM: A test bottle that does not give rise to speculation. Brand not known, without knowing flavor or if it will appear in the market, but surely, if it appears, no one will want to lose it. A jewel. Its price in the collector market exceeds the USD 200.





FRANCE

SKOLL: New model of the Viking proposal, very similar to the previous one, but maintaining the concept on playing between the blue and the white lines that give it its effect of sea without losing its already acquired charm.

JAPAN

SAPPORO: These bottles belong to previous years and are known, but sometimes it is necessary to have them close to each other to see their differences. There are more of the same style and content, but at least observe their most important differences between five of them, to distinguish easily.



MEXICO

CORONA: Six different models of the already very popular bottle, in several of its cases from the famous World Festival SUN SETS. The one that comes with a screw cap is a test. I calculate that in the world, without counting those that have the importer sticker, they must already exceed 40.





TAIPEI

HEINEKEN: This bottle already has about 3 or 4 years, promoted in international shows of the famous Dutch brand in different cities of the world. The novel-ty of this piece, which is covered with a protective film, is that they have appeared in the collector's market and can be purchased at a fairly decent price.

USA ?

Although it seems that they are bottles of USA, I do not want to miss presenting them because these 8 models are not known and are presumed test or fake. Anyway, I would like to have them on my shelves because they are all very nice. If someone has more data or information, please send it.



U.S./International Aluminum Bottle of the Year Candidates



Budweiser - FIFA World Cup 2018 Anheuser-Busch



Lager Shed Original Shawn & Ed Brewing



Exploring the World San Miguel Brewing (Mahou) Spain



Razzu Philipsburg Brewing



Electric Reindeer Sun King Brewery USA

Aluminum Bottles for Norwegian Market

Recently, 43,200 aluminum bottles with Lofotpils were sent out to the REMA 1000 stores in Norway. The



brewery is now one of the first breweries in the Norwegian market to deliver beer in aluminum

The idea of using an aluminum bottle is not entirely new. This is a case we have been working for a long time, says founder and owner of Lofotpils, Thorvardur Gunnlaugsson. The idea actually came in 2010, when I first saw this bottle on Brau Beviale in Nürnberg, with the same supplier we buy our aluminum cans from.

In an interview with Lofotposten, Andreas Thorvardarson says that the brewery in Svolvær has looked for partners to be able to carry out such an effort. When the agreement with REMA 1000 came along, the opportunity arose.

Both REMA 1000 and Lofotpils highlight the environmental aspect of aluminum bottles, which, like cans and unlike glass bottles, can be deposited across the country. 95 percent of all beverage cans are being recycled, and one expects that the same will happen to the aluminum bottles.

The aluminum bottles also have 300 grams lower weight and weigh only 48 grams. This means that CO2 emissions from bottling and distribution will be lower. And if you lose an aluminum bottle, it is not crushed.

The brewery will still fill beer in glass bottles, but it may be appropriate to fill several variants in aluminum bottles over the long term. We also pack the aluminum bottle as a 6-pack on half-pallets and NLP pallets, says Gunnlaugsson.

Only minor adjustments have been made in the production to be able to run the new bottles, and REMA 1000 reports good response to the aluminum bottle from the consumers.

Thorvaldur Gunnlaugsson emphasizes that Lofotpils was totally dependent on getting Rema 1000 stores on the team to be able to realize the project. We must have good distribution in order to get started, he says, and believes that several breweries will follow suit.

In Norway, Hansa Brewery has had some small experiments with aluminum bottles for beer earlier, but not to the extent that Lofotpils now runs.



Sterling's Aluminum Bottle Packaging

Calistoga, Calif.-based Sterling Vineyards, a division of Treasury Wine Estates, is bringing a trio of wines to market in re-sealable aluminum bottles. The lineup is designed not only to improve convenience for consumers, but to do so with the winery's

unique sense of style, it says.

The recyclable aluminum bottles feature a brushed texture in a tall, narrow, 375ml size accented by a color cap keyed to the varietal and echoed by a color bar at the bottom of the bottle. Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon and Rosé from the Sterling California Vintners Collection are the initial offerings, which consumers have noted to be "sleek, modern and unique" according to Rob Knott, brand director for Sterling. The wines are line priced at \$7.99.

The Sterling Aluminum bottles are expected to prove popular at sporting and concert events, grab-and-go convenience occasions in the retailer cold box, and with consumers looking for an alternative size option, it says. The 375-ml category is growing in double digits, with a 52 week increase of 54 percent in dollar sales and 35 percent in volume, according to IRI.

The aluminum bottles will be supported with an optional custom cap with an integrated straw, an end cap/table dispenser display that takes advantage of



the bottles unique shape to feed the bottles as consumers remove them, and other tools including a "make your own" four-pack carrier and a clear plastic tote that can carry up to four cans with ice for picnics, the company says. An array of shelf talkers, case stackers, case cards in various sizes and neckers also are supporting the introduction.

In recent years, Sterling has undergone a transformation to incorporate "Sterling Style" in packaging often described as "Always Polished, Never Dull." "It's no surprise that we are bringing something different and very much in tune with what consumers expect from Sterling," Knott said in a statement.

Excerpts taken from an article at Bevindustry.com

Note to ABC members: please send an ABC membership form to any possible future members; such as including it with anyone you're having Face Book or eBay transactions with.

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Former/rejoining ABC members - A onetime fee of \$20. Former members will also retain their original ABC member number and become a 'Lifetime Member'. If you remember your ABC number, note it on this application or contact the ABC Treasurer.

New BCCA Members - First year ABC dues waived if you join BCCA. First time BCCA members only. Contact the ABC Treasurer for this option.

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Annual membership to the BCCA which includes 6 issues of the Beer Cans & Brewery Collectibles magazine, a membership roster, the privilege to register for the CANvention, member only pricing on BCCA merchandise, and access to the Members Only section of website.

Benefits of Membership

In exchange for their annual dues, members receive a bundle of benefits that are hard to beat. Compare these benefits with those offered by other collector clubs — in any hobby — and you'll see why the BCCA is still growing strong after 40 years. Here's what members get:

Welcome Package

New members receive a welcome package that contains a number of collectibles such as labels, BCCA commemorative CANvention cans, crowns, coasters etc. along with your copy of the membership roster and a membership card and your membership certificate, suitable for framing.

New and renewing members receive the following: An annual subscription to Beer Cans & Brewery Collectibles

The club's high quality magazine, published 6 times yearly.

Find out more about this publication and others.

Membership Roster

A complete roster of the names, addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses of all active BCCA members. Bylaws, officers, chapter info and much more.

Find out more about this publication and others.

Membership Card and Certificate

Your BCCA membership card and number identifies you as a member in good standing with the club. Your membership number is vital to any correspondence you may have with the club and is unique to you. It will never be reissued to another member, even if you are no longer active.

CANvention

The right to attend the BCCA's annual CANvention, held in a different North American city each year. This show-of-shows usually draws about 1,000 collectors from far and wide and is a don't-miss event. Sign up at: https://www.bcca.com/shop/bcca-membership/

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BCWC Update

by Juan Carlos De Marco

Accommodation: two good hotels and one hostel were negotiated and are full blocked for our people attending the event. In March we will have another full 3 stars hotel open for more reservations, considering that the first two will be sold out or close to. Prices are 75 USD the double room, or less per night, which we consider a great rate.

Tours around the city: already negotiated a free tour during the event in a double flat bus. (To those with registration tag)

Car museum: free admission for the attendants with registration tag.

Gift bag: will be given to collectors during registration, including presents from the sponsors, commemoratives glass, bottle (special edition), coasters, stickers, diploma of attendance, crown caps, etc.

Tables: so far we will have 400 rented tables and tablecloths. 3 x 1 meters size.

Transfer service: we arranged with a company to have a 24 hrs. transfer from and to both Argentinian airports (international and domestic) to La Plata hotels. Very good rate of approx. 45 USD (still negotiating). Pre reservation thru web page required.

Trade floor building: already reserved for the event with police and private hired security to keep safe the collectibles at night, after the trading hours.

Official declarations of interest: already given by local government, provincial senators and representatives. We are requesting the national.

Meals: the registered attendants will have included the night reception on October 10th, with social competitions and dancing, and the final banquet on the night of October 13th at Corregidor Hotel, with recognitions, big key given from La Plata club to Turkish club, announcements for next BCWC in the future. Etc. Also at the trade floor sessions will be food trucks facilities and probably free beer. (Negotiating with the main sponsors)

General Assembly: on Saturday 12th in a special room at the trade floor with snacks and beverages. Around 2 pm

Admission: during the first two days (Friday 11th and Saturday 12th) the admission to the trade floor will be EXCLUSIVELY to the registered attendants with tag. Like in BCCA, "no tag, no fun". On Sunday will be open to the public who will pay a very cheap ticket.

Fees: as soon as we have the web page done (in approximately 20 days) will be open the pre-registration proceeds with the following rates: from January 2019 to May 30th: 100 USD; from June 1st to August 30th: 120 USD and the remaining time from September 1st to the event: 130 USD. Payment facilities will be available at the web page.

Important: no sponsors or government give money to the organization. It is not usual, and today in Argentina the situation doesn't help for it. Anyway it was expect, and we have everything covered.

Staff: we will have the maximum coordinator in my person, with three co-coordinators: Sergio Garcia Reynaud, Cristian De Antoni, and Alfredo Aprea (treasure); (all Spanish and English speaking persons); 15 persons from the local club, 8 more from national COLCER club and 5 more from URUCER (Uruguayan club). Obviously all of them with different responsibilities.