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Local Brews at Head of the Glass

Silverdale and Port Townsend breweries win silver at the World Beer Cup.

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Two West Sound breweries made a splash at the 2006 Brewers Association World Beer Cup, held last week in Seattle.

Silver City Brewery of Silverdale won a silver medal (how appropriate) for its Fat Bastard ale in the Strong Scotch Ale category. And Water Street Brewing & Ale House of Port Townsend took silver in the Imperial or Double Red Ale category with its Big Phatty ale.



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Silver City Brewery brewmaster Don Spencer shows off his Fat Bastard Ale, which won a silver medal in the Strong Scotch Ale category at last week's World Beer Cup in Seattle.

Awards were announced April 14 at the Washington State Trade & Convention Center in the biennial event informally and quite unofficially known as the "Olympics of beer brewing."

Washington state beers featured prominently in the competition, which drew more than 2,000 entries from commercial brewers in 56 countries. Washington state breweries earned medals placing this state among the Beer Cup's top five in the United States. California swept with 25 medals, followed by Wisconsin (14), Colorado (12), Washington (12) and Oregon (11). U.S. beers dominated the competition, with 159 medals, followed by Germany with 28, Belgium (15) and Australia (10).

Elite brewers and industry experts from around the world used blind judging to evaluate beers in 85 categories.

"We're all pretty proud around here," said Silver City's brewmaster Don Spencer, who developed Fat Bastard in 2000. "I never knew the beer was going to go this far."



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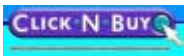
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Fat Bastard has won multiple awards, including back-to-back gold medals in 2003 and 2004 at the Brewers Association's North American Beer Awards. Now, earning a medal in the World Cup is a significant coup for Spencer and Silver City.

"It's prestige comes in the fact you are judged in an international setting," Spencer said. "You're competing against the best of the best there is. For me in the brewery, it just shows we're continuing to achieve at a high level."

Fat Bastard is a favorite among Silver City customers and is starting to be well known among brewers nationwide, Spencer said. He described the brew as bold yet smooth with a malty flavor, a clean finish and a hint of peat.

Skip Madsen, brewmaster and co-owner of the Water Street Brewery, also was honored to have pulled down a silver at the World Beer Cup.

He describes his award-winning Big Phatty as a light-bodied red ale, similar to the Water Street's Panama Red, but a "bigger, stronger, hoppier Northwest-style at its best. It's red in color, and it's got a good malty flavor to it, but it's also got plenty of Northwest hops to balance it."

Water Street also did well at the 2005 North American Beer festival, earning a gold medal for its Old Wookie Barleywine-Style Ale, a silver for its Smokestack Weizen wheat ale and a bronze for its Quaddubbel Bypass, a Belgian-style strong ale.

Fans of Madsen's beers showed up following the World Beer Cup to lift a glass to his success.

"I think it's great, because this is a world competition," Madsen said. "It's not just North America. ... We're competing against other countries. To have the second best red ale in the world is pretty much an honor."

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