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### Let's Talk

To all but a few of you, this issue we would imagine was quite a surprise. It's almost a surprise to us. Some of you might possibly be unhappy about the change, but then some of us are unhappy with change in general. The status quo must be preserved and all that. However, we're hoping that almost all of you will find this new size more convenient and even easier to store.

The fact that the magazine now exists like this is due to a number of factors. The chief one of these factors is that if it didn't exist in this size, it wouldn't exist at all. Being able to read the handwriting on the wall, we knewaprice rise was inevitable what with inflation hitting us via the post office, the printer, and the actual cost of paper. The initial printing estimate we got for 1979 was an increase of 50%! Realizing this was outrageous, we began to shop around. The next estimate was about 55% but the third one was exactly 250%!!

The answer everywhere was the same...the size was too big and the quantity too low. If you readers numbered over twenty thousand, there'd be no problem!

In an effort though to continue to bring you the most coverage and diversification in the miniature world, you will note that the magazine is now four pages bigger. A little of what we've lost in ''quanity'' we're making up in quality.

At this writing Barbara Gaines has already joined us and at least two new writers will be informing you of their specialties soon. If it's not this time, it will definitely be next time, so see you then.

Don't you forget now, keep thinking small!

--DMS--

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### Our Cover

The cover this time presents just about the newest of the new! This is the Ski Country bird which will be making its appearance within the next couple of months. If you called it a partridge, you're close. This is just one of the several new Ski Country bottles which will be released by the late Spring. You'll see several other new bottles in our expanded Ski Country coverage this time. If you'd like to see the list become a price guide, let us know.

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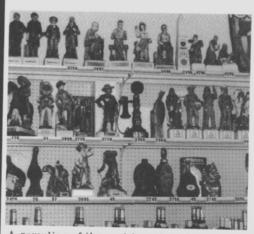


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A good many collectors have become hooked on Dug Picking's Brothel bottles and have been wondering about the status of future bottles. For those who didn't realize it, the third in the series made its appearance just before Christmas. This was the Lucky Strike bottle which was originally planned to be the fourth bottle but became pushed ahead when Billie's Day-N-Night was postponed. You can still expect Billie's in the near future.

After Billie's you can look forward to the following:
"Lilly's" of Elko

"Starlight" of Carson City
"Fran's Ranch" in Beatty

"La Belle" in Lovelock

"Mustang Ranch" outside Reno

"Doll House" in Hawthorne

"Cherry Patch" in Ash Meadows

"P and M" in Elko

"Green Lantern" in Ely Now that's a line-up. Needless to say,





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We've got a good many glass bottles to look at this time, so let's not waste any time! All of these should be new to the majority of you and most will be completely new to all of you.

In the first group of four, we have bottles which came from the shelves in Las Vegas just this December. The first two are brand new, even though they will be very familiar to almost all of us from seeing the billboards and advertisements on the big bottles. The Two Fingers Tequila has been on the market for relatively a short time... less than two years (if memory serves correctly). During that time, the Heublein Company which markets the bottles has tried a number of advertising campaigns and has spent a small fortune. It would appear that it was all to no avail, as Two Fingers Tequila is not what you'd call a raging success. It is, however, quite successful when it comes to the bottles the tequila is marketed in. To quote some of the current jargon of the day, these are really

'Neat''. Personal opinion is that you shouldn't delay too long on these, they just might not be available when you finally decide to get them.

Next is the Cafe Benedictine. This is a coffee liqueur with a trace of Benedictine brandy and as liqueurs go, this one should certainly be a success. Not only does it taste extremely good (but who tastes, right?), but it is also very attractively done and is in a type of fired decal label.

Now we come to the "giant" of the group. This is the new Suntory Royal Whisky. This is a true miniature in the respect that it's a smaller version of the larger bottle and also a pint size version for sale now for some time in Japan. 1973 saw the issuance of this bottle in miniature size and it's a true beauty with the embossing making it one of the prizes of the 1970's. However, this one differs from other Suntory bottles which have been sold here and also in Japan. Here this one is the Suntory Royal while in Japan it's known



as Suntory Royal '60. In the Japanese version, the large "SR" on the label is replaced with a large "60". Another interesting fact is that it's much less expensive in Las Vegas than it is in Japan. Hmmm.

Now, since we've worked our way to Japanese bottles, I think you'll be interested in some found this past summer in various parts of Japan. There were a great many bottles and you'll be seeingthem here for several issues to come.

Since I happen to enjoy vodka bottles, I was especially intrigued by the Polish (Polmos) vodkas. All three of these bottles are from the Polmos Company and the first and third are vodkas. They are Delmonico and Extra Zytnia (name it and you can have it...almost). As you can see by the tags, these came from the Maruei Department store in Nagoya and were not exactly cheap. The Delmonico still carries its price tag of Yen 400 which at that time was about U.S. \$2.20!

I haven't really ignored the bottle next to the Delmonico, I'm simply sort of savoring it. This is Passover Slivovitz and is what I would consider a quite rare glass bottle. How many do you know of which are made for Passover? Again, this is from the Polmos Company of Poland.

Finally, we come to what I consider a real gem. This bottle I found in only two stores throughout Japan...and believe me, I really looked! This is the Sunkist Lemon Liqueur made from real California grown Sunkist lemons. They are exported to Japan and then made into this lemon liqueur. If you read the financial pages in your newspaper, you may have been reading recently about the products being made in Japan with lemon peels. Here's one of the first! The bottle is green with Sunkist on the yellow cap and also embossed on the bottle itself.

Next time a look at the new Michter's ceramic jug and several others.

--DMS--

# MINIATURE BEERS AND GO-WITHS by Barbara Gaines



My First Buy

This first article I would just like to get acquainted with all of you collectors who don't already know me. Many of you have been to my home and I have had the pleasure to show off my beers. I would like you to know how I got started into this crazy hobby.

About three to four years ago, Bob gave me around forty beers for my birthday. These he had picked up while collecting his own mini whiskies. I had wanted something of my own to collect but little did I know how hard they were going to be to find...or how much they would cost. However, believe me, I found out...just like the rest of you.

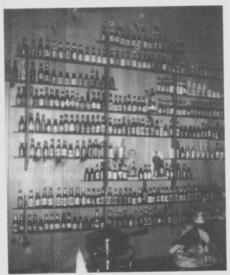
My first big buy took me flying to Los Angeles to pick up around 200 beers from Linus Earl, which he had got in a collection from Bob Koby back in Michigan. (Ed. note: talk about small world!) After having the pleasure of Linus show me his collection of mini whiskies, ryes, and everything else (which is great by the way), we started packing my beers for their new home in Dayton, Ohio.

I visited my son for a few days and also took in the Pasadena Flea Market. Now that's an experience. Make sure you go, if you're in the area. However, you'll certainly be tired after four or five hours of walking...and you still may not have covered everything. I did find a few beers that time but I've been back a couple of times since and have not been so lucky.

Right: Al Bernstein, Garf & Faye Steen, Lynn, Paul & Sandy Stookey Herb & Helen Haydock

Below: Bob & Marilou Kay, Dave & Donna Mathews, Irvin & Becky Kennedy and ME





My wall display-mostly mini beers



Ithen returned home and could hardly wait to get my buy unwrapped. I think the picture of my dining room table will tell you how pleased I was. Since then I have bought several small collections through ads and whatever. Another picture shows some I have displayed on my wall.

Currently I have around 500 pieces including my wooden bottle openers, chalk pieces, cans, steins, etc. I was fortunate enough to pick up a couple of goodies at the N.A. B.A. Convention this past August in Kentucky. I am showing a couple of pictures I took of the mini beer collectors who attended the Convention from around this area. Hope you enjoy seeing them.

This article is rather short as I have been in Nova Scotia most of the summer taking care of my Mother and have just returned to the U.S. I plan to be in the West for the winter so hope to have some information next time on beers. I would like to hear from all you collectors out there..EXCEPT GARF STEEN. Now, he's the one that has the beers. Sorry, Garf, just jealous!

Send your ideas, information, or whatever to MBC and I will get it. So until next time, it's been my pleasure trying to get to know all of you. Good hunting to all...but save one for me, OK!

--Barbara--



### DEWAR'S "White Label"

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Another proud name in the history of Scotch Whisky is Dewars. Born in 1806, John Dewar started his career in the wine and spirits business, when at the age of twenty-two, he joined a relative in Perth. who was a wine merchant. In 1837, he was made a partner in the firm. In 1846, he decided to go into business for himself, and opened a small wine and spirit business at 111 High Street in Perth. In the beginning, his business was predominantly selling in Perth. Business then began to flourish, and as it did, his sales area began to expand as well. John Dewar was the first merchant to sell his whisky by the bottle.

In 1879, John Dewar's oldest son, John Alexander Dewar, joined his father in business. John Sr. died in 1880. but he left a well run business to his son. Soon after the senior Dewar's death, another son, Thomas, joined the firm. This generation of Dewars really made whisky history. They began to set their sights on sales outside of Scotland. Young Tommy was sent to London to establish accounts for the company. Within a few years, he had obtained several hotels and restaurants as accounts. They then received a Royal Warrant from Queen Victoria. The next year, 1894, Dewars opened a branch in Bristol.

Success was achieved rapidly, for the sons of John Dewar were men of outstanding ability, not only in business, but in politics as well. John Alexander Dewar became treasurer of the city of Perth, then Lord Provost for six years and then he became a Liberal member of Parliament. In 1917, John Alexander Dewar was rewarded for his faithful public service by being raised to the Peerage. He became Baron Forteviot of Dupplin, the first of the whisky barons.

Tommy Dewar, the younger brother, was even more dynamic and was the super salesman of the firm. He traveled throughout the world and was prob-

ably the main reason why scotch whisky became such a success in London. He became a Sheriff of the city of London and sat as a Conservative member of Parliament. It was Tommy who pioneered the flambovant and enormously successful Dewar advertising. Three times he was master of the Worshipful Company of Distillers and was a great personality and wit. One of his famous sayings was "Do right and fear no man; don't write and fear no woman. " Tommy was a bachelor. In 1919, he got his Peerage, becoming Baron Dewar of Homestall, Sussex. True to the traditions of the English landed gentry. he became a patron of sport and a race horse owner. Horse racing became his chief hobby and he bred some famous horses, one of which, Cameronian, his heir and nephew John Arthur Dewar, rode to victory in the 1931 Derby.

The work of the brothers was carried on by another Dewar, Peter Menzies Dewar, who was no relation. He was a man of immense energy and ability, who had joined the firm as a boy and rose to become Chairman from 1930 to 1946. He guided the company throughthe difficult days of World War II. In 1946, Peter was succeeded as Chairman by John Arthur Dewar, who was in turn succeeded in 1954 by Henry Evelyn Alexander Dewar, third Lord Forteviot and grandson of the founder.

One of the unsung heroes of Dewar's history is John Alexander Cameron, one of the pioneers of blending and one of its most remarkable practitioners. John Cameron is the man who devised the famous Dewar's "White Label" blend. Dewar's Whisky is known as "Dewar's" in Scotland and "White Label" in the export market. Dewar's have indeed established a remarkable export record. 90% of all their whisky is exported. Dewar's states that they export to every market in the world except Albania, Saudia Arabia, and the People's Republic of China.

Dewar's head office is now at Inveralmond, near Perth, where they have built Scotland's largest plant for blending and bottling whisky. Dewar's is the second largest scotch whisky company in world wide sales.

Next time we will take a look at Johnnie Walker. --J.S.--



### A Most Unique AUCTION

by Vic Visalli

An interesting situation occurred a short time ago. I was approached by a breweriana dealer and collector, Herb Ashendorf, for authentication of a mini beer. He came to my home and introduced me to this beer which I had never seen before. During my eight years of collecting, I have seen and heard of many mini beers but this one has evaded me.

My purpose for featuring this beer is twofold. First, the beer is a very interesting one and should be shared with everyone. Secondly, it is one of many other breweriana items, such as mini bottles (sodas, whiskies, beers), beer trays, foam scrapers, cans, etc., that will be featured in a mail-order auction which will commence between January 10th and 15th and conclude on or about Feb. 15th. Herb Ashendorf is a member of the NABA and ECBA and has supplied credentials for being a reputable dealer.

I have been involved in other mailorder auctions outside the bottle field, namely sports, and since my experience has been a favorable one, I would like to make fellow collectors aware of this one. Just in case you are unfamiliar with what a mail-order auction is, the procedure is as follows: Upon request the auctioneer sends you an illustrated catalog of those items to be auctioned. Upon review of the catalog, you either write in or call in your bid for that item. At the close of the auction, the customer calls the auctioneer and finds out if the item is his. For further details on this particular auction, contact Herb, at (914) 337-0616 or write him at 21 Monclair Road, Yonkers, N.Y. He will send you the catalog for \$1.00 to cover costs of illustration and mailing.

And now ---

The beer is a 41/4" Old Union Lager Beer. The decal label is predominantly orange and yellow, with black and white lettering, the bottom of which reads Union Products Co., Inc., New Orleans, LA. The words "Quality and flavor never vary" are found on the neck label.

Anyone knowing anything about this bottle, please let me know.

Next issue, hopefully back to the micros... -- V.V. --

# Country by Ruth Jones

'Tis the day after Christmas and I have been assured that there will be Mrs. Cratchit bottles available, probably this week. So maybe they will be here in time for New Year's. For those of you that do not remember. this is not the first club bottle. The Mallard Duck put out in 1973 was a club bottle also. There was a big scramble for them and then the price was high, but later the price declined for a while because there were enough to go around. Remember, the Blue Jay was from a mintage of 2016, and they are still available. So, don't you panic!

Expected in at the same time is the Lookout Indian and the Pintail Duck. The pintail is being advertised by some as the "Ducks Unlimited" bottle. Well, 'tain't so, it is the pintail duck, and Ducks Unlimited will receive a donation from the Mississippi Valley Duck Hunters Association for each decanter sold. I presume that is for the 4/5th size. There is much more information regarding the pintail on the box.

Before going on to something else, Bob Cratchit and Tiny Tim are still available. I personally like the 2016 mintage, if I get some, because they do become more valuable.

1979 appears to be the year of the Indian. These will not be released in sets though. The first is the Lookout



Indian. Then there will be the Ceremonial Indian, and the "Warrior with Hatchet" and "Warrior with Lance", commonly known as Chief number one and Chief number two.

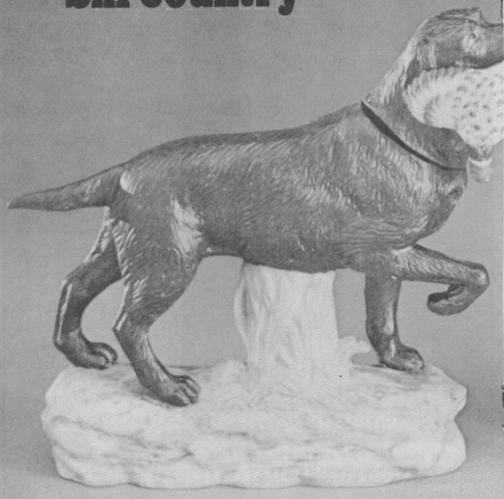
There are many more minis planned. one is the Labrador with Pheasant. We already have had the Labrador with Duck, and it has been a very popular bottle.



It looks like 1979 will be a banner year for minis, there are so many coming out that it is most difficult to keep up with them.

Hope you all had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and by the time you read this, it will be income tax time (almost). That's not a happy note to end on, but hope you have the money left for mini collecting. --R.J.--

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## Boozeville by Lloyd McLeod

Susie the bar maid works in one of the finer dine and dance places of our Boozeville. But in those days, a nice place could also be a rough place for a girl trying to make a living. It is now getting on to the wee hours of the morning and out on the street one of her customers is wandering around trying to find his way home.

The Waitress giveaway bottle is 6 3/4 inchestall. There is also a smaller size of about 5 1/2 inches tall. The one shown here is a blond with a blue ribbon in her hair. Her dress is purple, shoes red, and the bottle she holds on a tray is green. The crown mark is well stamped on the bottom. The usual orange base has a very faint impression which if held to the light reads - SUSIE MAID or MAIDEN.

The other bottle shown is plainly marked "What a Night". He is 6 1/4 inches tall and also has a smaller double. His hat, shoes, and embrella are black, coat dark green, and pants a yellow tan color. It is obvious that he has had quite a night. Both bottles were made in Germany and were given away in appropriate occasions in the early 1900's.

This looks like a good place to dance and have fun. Let's stay around for awhile and watch the floor show.

"Oh, Susie! Susie, over here, Please bring another round for everyone and make mine - hic - another double."

--L. M. --





# Meet The Collector: Mrs. Dorothy Miller

If you remember back through 1978 and even a bit farther back, you'll no doubt realize that we've been concentrating on only one sex in our "Meet The Collector" column. So this time we're remedying the situation with a visit to the distaff side of the collecting world. We don't really have to go all the way up to eastern Canada to do it, but since Mrs. Dorothy Miller lives up in Nova Scotia, that's where we're going!

As you can easily see from the pictures, Mrs. Miller is by no means a neophyte when it comes to bottle col-

lecting. And, as is also readily apparent, her tastes include absolutely everything. In the age of specialization it's always nice to know that there are still a good many of us who want each and every bottle we can find.

Of course, when you can display your bottles as well as Mrs. Miller does, it's much more enjoyable to be able to add new "friends" all the time. However, I'm certain there are a good many readers wondering, Dorothy, how do you do all that dusting?

Mrs. Miller has been collecting now for a number of years and has (and is)







been an avid club member. Her one complaint is that it's a little lonely to be a collector in Nova Scotia as there aren't too many other collectors to chat with there.

If any of you would like to contact Mrs. Miller, write to her care of the magazine and all letters will be forwarded.

This year "Meet The Collector" will be taking you both to divergent areas of the United States as well as at least one other visit with a collector in a foreign land. So far we've been to Canada, Italy, and Japan. There are some surprises in store for the remainder of 1979!









# Hoffman Bands





In the continuing story of Hoffman Originals, we now have two sets which will be available hopefully in a short time. All toldthere are to be four sets of miniature band decanters each of which comes complete with a music box. The two shown here are the Boys Band and the Military Band.

If you've been wondering where some of the new Hoffman miniatures are, 1979 should see the release of a good many minis...including some of those which were originally scheduled for last year. Many have asked about a set of Horses shown several months ago. The word is, sit tight, they're still on the way!

# Kollectable Kolumn by Bob Koby

As I write this article on the minis from Israel, I keep recalling the great time we had vacationing there. When one visits and travels around through Jerusalem, you feel that you are walking through history which is two thousand or more years old. The old city makes one shiver and you try and recall what you learned in Sunday school about the city and the people who made it famous. Whatever movies or pictures you have seen of the holy places of all three faiths, there is no comparison until you walk inside of them or touch them. While visiting in Jericho to see the city and the famous Walls of Jericho that were excavated, I was able to sneak away from our tour, climb or rather jump the fence, and I stood on the wall. Honestly, I had goose pimples all over. But, back to the minis.

Bottle one is called 'Wine Kunditun", meaning - I do not know. I had this label translated by an Israeli and he admits he does not know what Kunditun means. The balance of the writing is also in Hebrew and it only explains or extolls how good this wine is. As you can partially see, the picture depicts three biblical figures working or in the process of making wine. One is carrying a basket of grapes, one is pouring the wine into a jug and the third figure is arranging

the jugs into some sort of order.

Bottle two is the same wine only the bottle is somewhat taller, 4 3/4 inches in height. This is a clear glass bottle, with black contents.

With bottle three, we come to one that most of you are already familiar with. It's the famous Stock mini from Italy, usually. This one is Orange Brandy Gran Liqueur, product of Israel.

Bottle four I'm sure you will recognize as the famous Ince Pisco from Peru. The face depicts some sort of god with his hands on his knees. On the bottom is stamped the numeral 2. Bottle five is also an Inca Pisco only this one resembles or depicts a woman. The base shows fine South American or Spanish embroidery. The bottom is stamped with the number 1.

The sixth bottle is Eliaz 1818 Brandy V.S.O.P. Special Reserve. The bottle is clear, contents light gold, square in shape and square waffles on all sides.

The last bottle is a Coffee Liqueur. This 64 proof bottle is fully square, clear glass and waffled on all three sides. One thing I forgot to mention on the labels on all the minis distilled in Israel are the words "Kosher for Passover."

I hope you've enjoyed these minis and my side tour of the country. See you next time in the Spring.

--R. K. --



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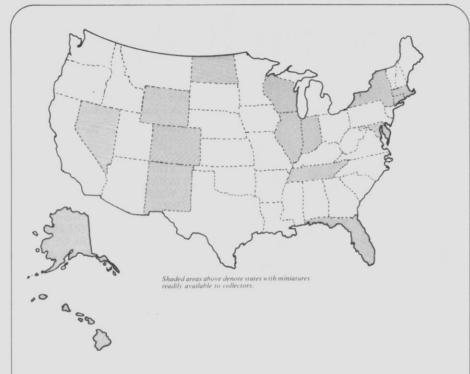


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# The Search For Minis Across The U.S.

In response to those who are always wondering exactly which areas do sell miniatures, we have created the list below which should help. We are also asking for your help in filling in information on States which have been left blank - or, more information on States where we have some initial info.

There are needed explanations for some of the pieces of information given here. The asterisk (\*) denotes that this is a control State where the State itself not only regulates but acts as the selling agency. No doubt many of you either live with or already know the concept of the "State Store".

On-sale and off-sale are terms which refer to the places which sell liquor. On-sale usually refers to a bar, restaurant, etc. while off-sale generally means your local liquor store. For States which are listed as "Both onsale and off-sale" this basically means there are no restrictions.

One thing this listing should do is point out that miniatures (both wines and spirits) are more readily available than many have thought. You may have to do a good bit of looking; however, you'll ultimately find it worthwhile. Interesting bottles are being sold in divers areas and need only be sought out. For example, Southern Comfort makes a special 42 proof bottle for sale in Ohio only and the label so states this. How many have that in their collections?

With your help, we should be able to fill in the unknown areas on our list. Let's hear from you!

### **Regulations By State**

1.*ALABAMASpecial order by consumer, in bars.
2 ALASKA Both on-sale and off-sale.
3. ARIZONAOn sale for consumption on premises.
4. ARKANSAS
5. CALIFORNIA
6. COLORADOOff-sale only.
7. CONNECTICUTCordials both on-sale and off-sale.
8. DELAWARE
9. DIST. OF COLUMBIA On premise consumption.
10. FLORIDA On &off-sale in certain counties.
11. GEORGIAAirlines and Railway passengers only.
12. HAWAIIBoth on-sale and off-sale.
13.*IDAHOOn special order by consumer.
14. IIIINOISOff-sale.
15 INDIANABoth on-sale and off-sale.
16.*IOWAOn special order by consumer.
17. KANSAS
18. KENTUCKY
19. LOUISIANA
20.*MAINE
21. MARYLANDBoth on-sale & off-sale ex. Pr. George County.
22. MASSACHUSETTSOff-sale where not prohibited by local law.
23.*MICHIGAN
24. MINNESOTA
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27.*MONTANA

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### The Club Report

Welcome to the Club Report column which you'll be seeing here each and every issue now. Since we've got some more pages, it's much easier to make certain that each time you'll be appraised of club activities. So, with this in mind, make certain that your club gets its info to us in plenty of time to publish. This service and column are open to all clubs; however, if your club isn't mini oriented, don't expect preferential treatment.

When it comes to clubs which really keep their members informed, you may be certain that at the top of the list you'll find the Lilliputian Bottle Club of Southern California (the oldest miniature club in the U.S.) and the Del-Val Miniature Bottle Club of Pennsylvania. Both of these clubs do an absolutely marvelous job of keeping their readers informed about bottles and also letting them know about events, meetings, picnics, etc. The Lilliputian editor is Mrs. Lee Weiss while the Del-Val editor is Mr. Norm Luber. These are dedicated people who are both interested in collecting and their

Incidentally, under the category of it's never too early, the next miniature Fair held by the Del-Val club should be in April and we'll have the date as soon as they send us the info!

Now just to keep you up to date, the club listings are as follows:

JOIN A CLUB!

Del-Val Miniature Bottle Club 11912 Templeton Drive Philadelphia, PA 19154

Great Lakes Miniature Bottle Club c/o Ms. Jean Davis P. O. Box 245 Fair Haven, MI 48023 Kiski Mini Bottle Club c/o Ms. Donna Fisher Box 3 Freedom Road Rochester, PA 15074

Lilliputian Miniature Bottle Club c/o Mrs. Lee Weiss 5626 Corning Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90056

Northwest Mini Club of Portland c/o Ms. Donna Nigg 38306 S. E. 10th St. Washougal, WA 98671

Orange Country Miniature Bottle Club c/o Mr. Richard Francesconi 836 Carob Street Brea, CA 92691

Club Mini Barman c.p. 126 rosemont Montreal, Quebec H1X 3B6 Canada

Finally, there's a group which would just love to include you in their midst and they're looking about the midwest for members. Contact Mr. Jim Kruse 3702W. Lancer Road, Peoria, Illinois 61614 for information.

Now we move to the publications section of the column. Since this is going to be more or less standard in each issue, we do want you to know that a second publication does exist. The Miniature Bottle Mart was the first to get going and they've been around now since January of 1970. This is a highly desired newsletter that should be familiar to every collector. It's published approximately tentimes each year and is available for \$7.50. Write to:

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