

## Policy and Advocacy Committee...

Heck, let's be Canadian and call it a **Royal CAMRA Commission on Real Beer**.

This Royal CAMRA Commission (RCCRB) has two mandates.

**One** – to figure out how we, as real beer consumers, found ourselves in an environment where good craft beer is hard to come by, expensive, and not served well (if represented at all) by the general restaurant and bar industry. How did we as responsible citizens become so restricted in what we are allowed to buy, where we are allowed to buy it, and how much we must pay to enjoy it.

Included in this scrutiny, will be laws, municipal, provincial and federal, that restrict our enjoyment of really good beer, made locally, by traditional methods, served where we want it and how we want it.

**Two** – to construct a number of logical responses to the laws as are currently in effect and make these policy alternatives known to each level of government. We will establish who we need to work with as well as who is working against us. Yes! There are organizations that think our enjoyment of good beer is inherently evil and will do all they can to thwart it!

### Who makes up this Royal CAMRA Commission on Real Beer?

You do! What we need is a number of individuals willing to spend a few hours researching all the laws as they apply to beer. Brewing, selling, drinking, taxing, zoning, transportation, licenses, you name it, it's all fair game.

The RCCRB will review the source material, talk to the authorities, and ask questions. Many rules and laws were a good thing, once upon a time. That time may have long gone. Some rules and laws are written one way, and implemented another. We will find out how and why.

At the end of the day, we will have real information, building solid ground underneath us and give our voice more strength, value and respect.

Are you in? Are you skilled in finding information?

We are counting on you.

Email me directly at [pres@camravancouver.ca](mailto:pres@camravancouver.ca). Let's get working!

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