

# NKY craft brewery to open second location in West Chester Township



Alexandria Brewing Co. is opening a second location in Greater Cincinnati this year. Photo by: WKRC and By: Christian LeDuc | CBC

By [Christian LeDuc](#) – Staff reporter, Cincinnati Business Courier May 28, 2025

## Story Highlights

- Alexandria Brewing Co. is opening a second location in West Chester Township.
- Andy Reynolds, owner and head brewer, signed a three-year lease.
- The new location will offer unique brews and partner with Bender's Pub Grub.

A Northern Kentucky-based brewery born in 2018 is expanding across the Ohio River.

Alexandria Brewing Co. is opening its second location in the [former Dogberry Brewing space](#), at 9964 Crescent Park Drive in West Chester Township, later this year. Dogberry closed in the fall of 2024, around the same time Alexandria Brewing's owner, CEO and head brewer Andy Reynolds was searching for a new spot. "We're running out of seats on the weekends. We're pretty crowded," he told me. Reynolds didn't necessarily have his eyes set on the West Chester area at first. He initially explored the opportunity to open a different location in Alexandria or even expand out of the Tri-State to Lexington. When the Dogberry space became available, he realized it was the best option. It's a second-generation brewery, meaning he knew he could open a lot quicker and cheaper. "We can go in and do it on a lower budget, without taking out more loans and more debt to build the business," Reynolds said. He officially signed a three-year lease with extension options earlier this month. The brewery is significantly smaller than the flagship location, which is around 9,500-square feet, but Reynolds said it provides him the opportunity to give his guests a more elevated and modern experience with updated decor and other cosmetic work.

The plan is to take out some of the production space to make room for additional seating. The Alexandria location will be the main production center. Reynolds said he will keep enough equipment in West Chester to make a brew unique to the location along with some other experimental beers. Alexandria's food partner, Bender's Pub Grub, is also opening inside the space. The restaurant offers elevated American fare, including an Andouille po'boy, smash burger, shrimp and grits, chicken and waffle and smoked chicken wings. In a perfect world, the brewery and the restaurant will open by July, but that date could be pushed back as late as October, according to Reynolds. Hours of operation have not been finalized. Reynolds said he plans on hiring at least five to six people to staff the new location and an additional two employees to accommodate the production increase once both sites are up and running.

Alexandria Brewing first opened at its flagship location at 7926 Alexandria Pike in 2018.

Reynolds, a United States Army veteran, developed a passion for beer while serving overseas. When he was stationed in Germany, he learned a lot about various European beers. And during his time between deployments, he continued his education. While in the Middle East, for example, he started learning more about hard ciders. He first formed the LLC for his brewery back in 2011, but his dream to open his own spot was delayed due to health complications from an IED explosion in Iraq. He ended up using all of his saving that were meant to go into his business on his medical bills. "It pushed us back for a minute," he said. Despite the setback, Reynolds refused to give up on his goals. In 2015, he graduated with a degree in advanced brewing theory from the Siegel Institute of Technology in Chicago. He currently runs the brewing company with his wife, Ann Reynolds, his brother Joseph Reynolds and Dale Neu, his front-of-house supervisor.



Fabled Brew Works is turning two — and you're invited to celebrate all weekend long! On Friday, fan favorites return for the “Greatest Hits” Comeback Day, leading into Saturday’s highly anticipated bottle release — including a stout collab with Bottle Logic Brewing and three barrel-aged showstoppers. Wrap up the week on Sunday with a relaxed Leftovers Day, featuring meadmosa flights and brunch. Whether you're a longtime fan or new to the brand, this anniversary week is packed with reasons to raise a glass at Fabled Brew Works Second Anniversary Celebration

**Fri, May 30, 2025, Sat, May 31, 2025, Sun, Jun 01, 2025**

**Location: Fabled Brew Works 331 Kenton Lands Rd. Suite 300, Erlanger, KY**





# A great event for the Kids!

## The Reds Heads Team Is Coming to Fifty West!

Fifty West Wooster Pike – Saturday May 31st | 4pm-8pm

Fifty West Deerfield – Sunday June 1st | 4pm-8pm



Reds Heads Kids Club is the official fan club of the Cincinnati Reds for children between the ages of 3-12.

Memberships include exclusive ballpark experiences, backpack, jersey, trading cards, two free tickets to a select 2025 home game, exclusive Spencer Steer bobblehead for activated members, and more!



**A Beer & Bike Adventure from Cartridge to Fifty West (Or the Other Way Around. Dealer's Choice.)**  
**Sip Trip: Volume 5 Saturday, May 31st Anytime Between 11am-10pm.**



**Event Details:** This event is all at your own pace; a cruise down the Little Miami Scenic Trail with brews, views, and killer pitstops! Get in gear anytime from 11am to 10pm on Saturday, May 31st for a "Sip Trip" down the bike trail. Spanning from Fifty West Brewing to Cartridge Brewing, or vice versa!

**19.7 Miles. 4 Stops. 4 Beers.**

**Fifty West - Wooster Pike (Get Passport Here)**

**Miamiville Trailyard**

**Cappy's Wine and Spirits**

**Cartridge Brewing (Get Passport Here)**

**How To Get Started:**

**Step 1: Start at Cartridge Brewing or Fifty West and grab your passport & stamp #1!**

**Step 2: Head to your second stop and grab a brew from Fifty West or Cartridge. Be sure to try our collab brew made just for the event (pale ale to be announced soon), available at all stops! Got your beer? Get your stamp!**

**Step 3: Finish off the trail and get all of your stamps**

**Step 4: Get your custom Sip Trip prize to celebrate a great ride and bring your passport back to our 50 West or Cartridge Brewery between 5/31- and 6/7 for half off of one food item.**





The Bruckmann Brewery complex Photos By: Corrie Schaffeld | CBC  
By [Brian Planalp](#) – Staff reporter, Cincinnati Business Courier May 20, 2025

## Story Highlights

- Cincinnati's Brewery District CURC debuts Bruckmann Brewery tunnels June 7<sup>th</sup>, @ Missing Linck.
- The Bruckmann complex is one of the most intact 19th-century brewing sites.
- Tours will offer access to tunnels, 1930s bottling facility and power plant.

The nonprofit behind Cincinnati's underground beer tunnel tours is expanding its scope outside the urban basin with the excavation of new tunnels that will be open to the public for the first time.

The Brewery District Community Urban Redevelopment Corp., which also operates Bockfest, will debut the underground lagering vaults beneath the historic Bruckmann Brewery complex June 7 during Urban Artifact's Missing Linck Festival. A shuttle will run groups between the festival in Northside and the brewery site in South Cumminsville less than a mile away.

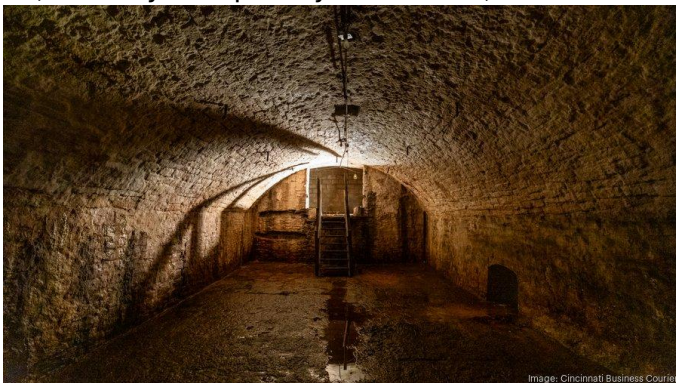
The Bruckmann Brewery complex is bounded to the west by Interstate 75 and to the east by Cincinnati State Community and Technical College. It's characterized by a tall white smokestack on which Worthmore Food Products, before the business closed in 2023, painted its name over the original Bruckmann lettering.

"A lot of people have driven past this on the highway so many times, and you see the Worthmore smokestack, and you don't realize the history here," Aaron Deininger, executive director of the Brewery District CURC, told the *Business Courier*. The Bruckmann vaults are larger in square footage than the original brewing facilities at the site, according to Matt Maloney, the nonprofit's board president. "They're massive," he said. Today, ownership of the brewery complex is divided among four commercial businesses: Atlantic Packing Co., the Alexander Copper Co., Rae Pumps and Nazca Properties. The historic buildings they occupy, constructed during various periods of the Bruckmann Brewery's expansion, are remarkably well preserved.

Deininger called the Bruckmann complex one of the most intact 19th century brewing sites in the U.S.

"All the components are here – the original family home, the stable house, the bottling facility, the malt house, the brew house, the lagering cellars, 1860s annex and the 1930s bottling facility and power plant," he said. "The idea that no one knocked all this down to put up a strip mall is pretty amazing. It's a testament to the long-time owners of the site." The owners of Nazca Properties, fascinated by the brewing history of the site, invited the Brewery District CURC for a preliminary tour in June 2024. Deininger and his team leapt at the chance.

Excavation and cleanup started last September, pausing only in January, when the cellar flooded and froze solid – at one point Maloney took to the tunnels in ice skates. The excavation has proceeded with the help of volunteers, though the Brewery District CURC has sunk thousands of dollars into the project, prompting the launch of a GoFundMe with a \$10,000 fundraising goal. Tours will commence in June with temporary lighting and excavation efforts incomplete. Work will continue throughout the year to install permanent lighting and electrical and address other needs. The Bruckmann Brewery tours will offer full access to the tunnels as well as the 1930s bottling facility and power plant, formerly occupied by Worthmore, since taken over by Alexander Copper.







# THE SAUCE

A WEEKLY LOOK AT ALL THINGS LMBC



**Junkyard Dog West Coast IPA ABV 7% | IBU 85**

Back on tap Every batch of Junkyard Dog is a little different as it's brewed with the brewers choice of hops from throughout the year. This year Junkyard Dog is brewed with CTZ (Columbus, Tomahawk, and Zeus), Amarillo, Cascade, Simcoe, Centennial, and dry-hopped with 44lbs of Lotus! Cheers 🍻

**Betty Jo Bravo Pizza** - We're excited to announce our new seasonal pizza 🍕 The Betty Jo Bravo Alfredo Sauce Base, Mozzarella, Chicken, Artichokes, & drizzled with Pesto!

**LIVE MUSIC IN THE TAPROOM! ALWAYS FREE NO COVER!**

**Friday, May 30th** - Vinyl Countdown 7:45pm - 10:45pm

**Saturday, May 31st** - Billy Rock Band 8:00pm - 11:00pm

**Sunday, June 1st** - Woo Hoo 4:00pm - 7:00pm

**Wednesday, June 4th** - Matt Waters & John Ford 6:15pm - 9:15pm

**Thursday, June 5th** - Kyle English 6:45pm - 9:45pm

**Friday, June 6th** - Lincoln Street Band 7:45pm - 10:45pm

**Saturday, June 7th** - Twice is Nice 1:00pm - 4:00pm, Positive Vibes Band 7:30pm - 10:30pm

**Sunday, June 8th** - Woo Hoo 2:00pm - 5:00pm

We have a jam-packed weekend of knock-out live music! Join for not **1**, not **2**, **BUT 3** Nights of fun with local musicians. Friday, May 30th: **Vinyl Countdown**, Saturday, May 31st: **Billy Rock Band**, Sunday, June 1st: **Harmonics**

