Brent Ryan is one of the founders of the Brewery. At Colby College Brent met his business partners, never looked at any of his grades, and spent substantial amounts of time figuring out ways around the school's alcohol policies for the "greater social good". Miraculously, he graduated with degrees in biochemistry and mathematical economics. After drawing the short straw upon start up, he was made President. Seven years later he convinced everyone they should let him make something and he is now the master distiller of Thomas Tew Single Barrel Rum. Brent has never bought a pair of shoes for himself and is into vintage clothing by virtue of his plans to wear his clothes until they are vintage. He is tolerant even of intolerance, but he is offended by people who get offended which causes him to sometimes be offended of himself. He is married to a Navy Scientist and they live in downtown Newport with their two children. When he isn't at the shop or with his family he is usually finding some unique activity to mix with some Newport Storm or Thomas Tew.