

# Washoe Zephyr Zymurgists

*The Homebrew Club for the greater Reno, Washoe Valley, Truckee Meadows region*

A Monthly Newsletter

October 2009

## Dopple Oktoberfest

This year our club members attended two Oktoberfests, our own September meeting and the week before was the NCHF, the theme of the latter being Oktoberfest. The WZZ club Oktoberfest was held at my house, Mike and Sabine, and was well attended by club members among many others, some of which are interested in joining our club.

A special thanks to Dan Bailey who brought out his homemade beer trailer, Dan and his friend Dennis made it, which allowed us to pour six beers at once. What a time saver, not to mention the cleanup time saved the next day inside my garage, no beer spills! There were approximately 12 kegs total brought by members and some bottle samples of homebrew and commercial beers. We ended up with six empties after the nights festivities, a pretty good job freeing up kegs for more beer! Jason Green, Kevin Cox, Joe Herman, Dan Bailey, Vince and Patrick, and myself contributed kegs. Thanks to all that helped out and

brought plenty of beer and food.

This year's NCHF was exceptional, for those of you not attending the dinner, we thought it was one of Sean Paxton's best. The sauerbraten was incredibly tender and the homemade sausage was to die for. Can't wait until next year... for both events.

## BLACK NODDY BREW-OFF

This month's WZZ meeting will be held at Buckbean Brewing where those of you that have brewed the Black Noddy clone will be unveiling your own version of one of Buckbean's flagship beers. If you would like to have your Black Noddy clone tasted, analyzed and given feedback please bring it with you. Bottles, growlers, kegs etc are all acceptable, we will do a blind tasting of the various examples to see if we can come up with something unique and most importantly great to drink.

This month we also wanted to discuss some possible ideas we have had for the club for now and in the future. If you have any ideas bring them along with a dish to share and your homebrew, see you there!!

# WZZ Pictures and News

## WZZ Barrel Project

Jason Green had the great idea of doing a club barrel project, if you are interested in making beer for this you will need to act fast as some have already brewed or will be brewing soon. Jason has acquired a 55 gallon barrel that he is soaking in bourbon, we will be making Jason's Russian Imperial Stout recipe. We plan on putting the beer, after tasting, into the barrel for aging around mid-November. We still need some more members for brewing batches to fill the barrel. Contact us at [WZZ\\_Newsletter@sbcglobal.net](mailto:WZZ_Newsletter@sbcglobal.net) for recipe and confirmation of quantity brewed.



The Friday night pre-Oktoberfest Party



What's that Orange Crush doing there??!!

## Calendar of Events

- ◆ **October 17th, Black Noddy Competition and meeting  
Buckbean Brewing, Reno, NV**
- ◆ **November Meeting  
Dave and Julie's??  
Date and time TBA**
- ◆ **December Meading  
Ron Badley's Meading  
Date and Time TBA**



*Reno International Canned Beer Festival*



# CANFEST

October 23, 2009

**Grand Sierra  
Resort & Casino**

**2500 E. Second Street  
(775) 789-2147**

*Ask for Canfest  
room rates*

**Tickets \$35**

**Doors open at 6:30pm**

**Come participate in the first international  
beer judging and tasting for canned beer.**

- Paul Gatza, Brewers Assn. Director, will discuss the movement to can craft beer
- Ginger Johnson of WomenEnjoyingBeer.com will share women and beer trends
- Chocolate, Cheese and Ice Cream pairings
- Beer Judging event.

Event participants include Buckbean Brewing Co., Big Sky Brewing Co., Oskar Blues, Ukiah Brewing Co., Maui Brewing Co., High Noon Saloon & Brewery, New Belgium Brewing Co., Uncommon Brewers, Rochester Mills Brewing Co., Four Peaks Brewing Co, Bohemian Brewery, Mammoth Brewing Co, Guinness, Bavik and Wittekerke, and more.

## **Drink Responsibly**

*Tickets available at Buckbean Brewing Company,  
Grand Sierra Resort and Ticketmaster*

*Portions of the proceeds from the event will  
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the Great Basin Bird Observatory.*



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**Join us this month at Buckbean  
Brewing, bring your Black Noddy clone  
to taste and/or any other  
homebrew/commercial samples, along  
with a dish to share.**

1155 S. Rock Blvd. Ste. 490

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Saturday, October 17th, 2009

6:00 pm



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