

Washoe Zephyr Zymurgists

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

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Hurley Hosts WZZ

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A beautiful summer evening, an awesome sunset, a great variety of foods from salads to desserts, some fine home made concoctions from club members, good company and live acoustic music — what more could you ask for?

First time WZZ hosts Jon Hurley and Alex Vanderhoff were kind enough to open their home to the thirsty throng of zealous zymurgists on August 18th. The house, located in Northwest Reno, made a comfortable gathering place and featured a chicken coop in the back yard! The sun settling behind the mountains to the west lit up a scattering of clouds, much to the delight of the onlookers.

Jon started off the festivities with a blind tasting and informal judging of several commercial IPAs. Not actually surprisingly the victor was Sierra Nevada's seasonal double IPA, Hoptimum, followed closely by their Torpedo ale.

Later in the evening the musical instruments came out, with Jon generously sharing his impressive array of guitars, the more valuable ones kept in a large safe, with the other players. The deck on the back of the house served as a stage for the impromptu performance, with Jon, Joel Koetting, Ron Badley and Mac O'Brien all pitching in on strings and Jon Anderson providing some very nice accompaniment on horns and woodwinds. Nearly all in attendance joined in on vocals for the old classic *The Weight* by The Band. We'll have to look into recruiting a bassist and percussionist into the club to round out what is becoming a melodic tradition at the meetings! ;-)





Alex and Jon were great co-hosts



A lovely sunset and a cool back yard



Jon & Ron share a toast



Jason and Andy are both looking pensive



Jon played this flute, a penny whistle, and of course his sax



Jon and Mac in concert

It's NCHF Time!

There's no WZZ meeting in Reno this month as usual, the Northern California Homebrewers Festival serving as the September get together. Unfortunately, since all event tickets sold out in a single day not all members who might have wanted to attend were able to do so.

Mark Your Calendar!



**29
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SEPTEMBER**

**7TH ANNUAL
OKTOBERFEST**
BEER, MUSIC, FRIENDS,
FUN AND FOOD

RSVP AT 775-544-4441

WHERE:
3025 BARRANCA DR
SPANISH SPRINGS, NV

WHEN:
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
4 PM UNTIL DONE, FOOD AT 6:30

WHAT TO BRING:
DISH AND/OR HOMEBREW TO SHARE,
MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS. CHICKEN, RIBS
AND BRATS WILL ALSO BE PROVIDED

PLEASE LEAVE DOGS AND KIDS AT HOME

We're on the Web:
<http://washoezz.net>

Upcoming meetings:

October 6 - Sierra Water
Gardens on Dickerson Rd.

November - Stews & Brews
with Will & Tamra



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