



Out (of) The Wazoo

Sean Lamb, Grand Wazoo

Whatcha bin brewin' lately? For me the answer is another dumb hop experiment. I hope he answer for you is something delicious. I need to kick things up a notch. I've gotten a new pH meter and some digital thermometers and I am working on adding some insulation to my mash tun. Brewery mods seem to inspire me to use the brewery. We'll see how it goes.

The National Homebrew Day party at DeFalco's was a rousing success. The big tent made a lot of good shade for our 9 brewers to crank out 60 Gallons of homebrew. Ralph "Iron Food God" Cox grilled up some tasty burgers and weenies. Lots of good homebrew and bluesy rock were shared courtesy of the DeFalco's team. It was a real party. This looks like it is going to be an annual thing, so think about what you are going to brew next year.

It's spring and the homebrew contest season is upon us. The CIA'ers had their Operation Fermentation early in the month, the KGB'ers have the Big Batch Brew Bash this coming weekend, and the Alamo City Cerveza Fest judging starts this month.

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Brewsletter Urquell

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Former Wazoo Caught in Limelight

Paul 'This is the reason the Dixie Cup Raffle SUCKS' Smith

TMZ has just release a transcript of an conversation between what is believed to be a Was Waz of the Foam Rangers Homebrew Club and his girlfriend, known as A. Sud-Sucker. Read below for the full text.

AS-S: I don't understand. I wasn't raised the way you were. Do you know that my whole family are NASCAR fans?

WW: Well if you don't feel - don't come to my meetings. Don't bring Natty Light and don't put it in my cooler.

AS-S: Honey, if it makes you happy, I will remove all of the Natty Light photo's from my Instagram.

WW: You said that before, you said 'I understand'.

AS-S: I DID remove all the Miller and Coors photos from my Instagram.

WW: But you didn't remove all the A-B.

AS-S: I didn't remove the Zegenbock. You've brewed beers lighter than Zegenbock. Are you some kind of beerest?

See ~~Donald Sterling~~ TMZ Page 3

Robert Brown's Brew-In Snubbed!

Brewsletter Staff

After trying to ignore Robert Brown's request for a Brew-In slot at the beginning of the year, Foam Ranger Grand Wazoo Sean Lamb succeeded in preventing the up and coming brewer from showing off his craft. He was supposedly offered second billing as a non-"Pros versus Joes" participant in the National Homebrew Day activities, but quickly rejected the offer. Rumors abound that one of the Lone Star Circuit heavyweights may be preventing Robert from gaining prominence. All Foam Rangers can be assumed innocent, but the Brewsletter Urquell has not heard any denial of influence from Lone Star leaderboard regulars such as Bradley Brewing, Jeff Oberlin, Mark Schoppe, or Alexis West.

Upcoming Events

June 1st First Sunday
June 14th Brew-In
June 20th Meeting

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Please get out there and support these contests in any way you can, hopefully by helping them with the judging. We need all of the "beer karma" we can get for this year's Dixie Cup.

Speaking of the Dixie Cup, our esteemed Dixie Cup manager has picked a theme concept for this year – New Orleans style Mardis Gras. We will be "laissez les bon bieres roulez" this year under Doak's careful guidance. Don't throw those old beads out when you do Spring cleaning – you'll need them this fall.

The Galveston pub crawl is a go for June 21st. The bus will leave the DeFalco's parking lot at 10 AM on the Saturday after the June meeting. Ask Scott if he is ok with you sleeping in your car in front of the shop, don't just assume he is good with it. Janine might be having a slumber party after the meeting, but I think she wants to approve of your choice of PJ's before she gives you her address. The pub crawl will include a visit to the brand spanking new Galveston Island Brewing company. This pub crawl will be minorly awesome. Watch the Facebook page and email list for more details.

I want to make sure that you all know what a great team we have working for you this year. Ralph Cox has been freakin' great as Food God this year. I can't thank him enough. Matt Crnkzmzrsdfich is doing unparalleled work on this the humble Brewletter Urquell. Janine had made sure we all know about the variety that is to had for each beer of the month style with a deft aplomb. And Noel Hart has kept form spending the club treasury on hookers and barleywine. If you feel the same way, please make sure you let them know. If you don't feel the same way, well I oughta....



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WW: You must be stupid! I'm no beerest. Maybe a beer geek... even nerd, or snob. We live in a culture. We have to live within that culture.

AS-S: But shouldn't we take a stand. Shouldn't we change that culture?

WW: I'm trying to change that culture one brew-in at a time. But that's not the issue.

AS-S: What is the issue?

WW: The issue is you don't have to broadcast everything. Why are you taking pictures with the Evil Empire...why? People feel certain things about them. I get phone calls from the Grand Wazoo.

AS-S: But it's not that way in my heart and my mind.

WW: It bothers me that you want to associate with beer that tastes so bad it has to be served ice cold. You're supposed to be a sophisticated imbiber...a locally brewed craft, a classic German, or even a funky Belgian.

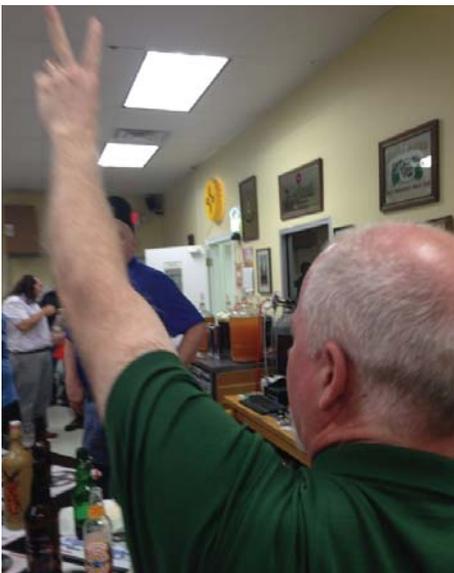
AS-S: My whole family loves Natty, and you want me to hate what they love.

WW: You don't have to hate it. In your whole life, every day you can love it, but privately. I want you to love it privately.

AS-S: I took a picture of a beer I admire.

WW: And I'm just saying it's too bad you just can't admire it privately, and during your entire life – admire it, bring it here, fill the pool with it and swim in it, bathe your lady parts in it, but don't put it on Instagram and don't bring it to my meetings, OK?

The Foam Rangers occifers have begun an investigation and have declared that the Was Waz and his magic johnson must terminate any relationship with this 'girlfriend from hell', or face a 2-1/2 corny kegs of homebrew fine and a lifetime ban from all Foam Rangers events.



Bev, it works better from the other side



Obsidian Stout Chocolate Chip Brownies

Janine "J9" Weber, Secondary



Courtesy of Deschutes Brewing Co., Oregon US

Our brew tour needs to be topped off with a stout dessert. Here's one that is sure to please even the pickiest eaters. Pair it with the Obsidian Stout Ale for the best experience.

What you need:

- 1 Cup all purpose flour
 - 3/4 Cup cocoa powder
 - 6 T butter
 - 8 oz bittersweet chocolate
 - 2 Cups semi-sweet chocolate chips
 - 1/4 tsp salt
 - 4 large eggs
 - 1 Cup sugar
- 10 oz Obsidian Stout (from Deschutes Brewery)



What you do:

- Pre-heat oven to 375 degrees and line a 9x9 pan with nonstick foil.
- In a medium bowl: whisk together flour, cocoa powder, and salt. Set aside.
- Melt the butter, 1 C. chocolate chips, and bittersweet chocolate together in a nonstick pot on the stovetop.
- In a large bowl: whisk the eggs and sugar for about three minutes and then add the melted chocolate to this mixture. Beat until combined.
- Beat the flour mixture into your chocolate mixture and whisk in Obsidian Stout (batter will seem thin but once you start mixing it up, it gets much better).
- Drop the rest of the chocolate chips over the batter, but don't mix them in. Some will sink in, some will stay on top.
- Pour batter into the prepared pan and pop it in the oven.
- Bake for 25-35 minutes or until a toothpick in the center comes out almost clean.
- Cool to room temperature and serve with a glass of Obsidian Stout and garnish with your favorite berries!

Serves 4-6



Awful aim!

Competition Corner

Will Holobowicz, Competition Coordinator

Celtic Results

1st Place Rolland Pate - Mild/Brown Ale
2nd Place Rolland Pate - Mild/Brown Ale
1st Place Rolland Pate - Porter
Additional results are posted at:

<http://www.kobb.org/celticbrewoff/2014winners.html>

MCAB Results

David Rogers – 2nd - 1C: Premium American Lager & 2nd - 6C: Kolsch
Noel Hart & Shazia Rehman – 1st - 16E: Belgian Specialty Ale
Wesley Powell – 2nd - 18E: Belgian Dark Strong Ale
Jeff Reilly & Jimmy Paige (J&J Brew Crew) – 3rd - 19A: Old Ale
Results are posted at: <http://mcabchampionship.com/>

Karbach Classic Results

We had two Foam Rangers in the final top ten - Kyle Jones and David Rogers.

CIA: Operation Fermentation

Results are posted at: <http://competition.cialers.org/>



Upcoming: KGB Big Brew Batch

Sunday May, 19th

From Don: "The 19th Annual "Big Batch Brew Bash" has registered 94 'Texas Brown Ales' for this years contest Sunday, May 18. We sure could use your help with judging or stewarding. If you are interested either please email me or shot me a pm and we'll get you set up. We plan to get first round started at 9:00am.." Please email Don Sajda (rodon@flash.net) to let him know if you'll be able to help ahead of time.

Spirit of '76 Challenge

This competition is focused solely on ales and lagers of American origin. I'll be driving these entries to a Dallas drop off location, so bring your entries to Defalco's before May 29th if you'd like to enter.

<http://spiritof76.hopocalypse.org/>

Entry Date: May 12 - 30

Judging: June 14-15

Awards Ceremony: June 28, Rabbit Hole Brewing, 2PM.

Lunar Rendezbrew

Entry Date: June 2 - 25

Drop off Location: Defalcos by June 27

Judging: TBA

Event & Awards Ceremony: August 2

<http://mashtronauts.com/rendezbrew/>

Homebrew Inquisition

Entry Date: June 20 - July 6

Drop off Location: Defalcos

Judging: July 19

Event & Awards Ceremony: August 9

<http://inquisition.brewcomp.com/>



Officer's Meeting Minutes and Events

Nena Lamb, Scrivener

18/04/14 Reunión Mensual
Estilo del mes fue homebrew por lo que el "Homebrew Happy Hour" duró toda la reunión. Janine hizo verter un poco de café, whisky y viejos Ales también.

Sean dio la bienvenida a los nuevos miembros y los asistentes. Habló sobre el Día Nacional de Homebrew, Dixie Copa, Big lotes Brew Bash, y Galveston Pub Crawl.

El último más lindo Espuma Ranger para ser, Skylar Rose, estuvo presente y fue su padre, encanto de buena suerte de Jackson para RRRRaaaffllleee !!!

04\05\2014 Reunión del Oficial en el D & Q

NHD fue un éxito! Puede hacerlo mismo para "Enseñe a un amigo a Brew" días.

Pub crawl 21 de junio. Nuevo DeFalco de, Nobí, Galveston Island Brewing, Beerfoot, y Brews Brothers.

Dixie Cup - Tenemos un tema! Discutidos especialidad directrices de estilo de cerveza Dixie Cup.

Tenemos un plan B para juzgar. Altavoces. Tenemos el Bigfoot. Rico establecerá sitio web. Fiesta en la piscina en julio estará en Hank.

J9 va a encabezar una espuma Guardabosques flotador del río.

Pros vs Joes votación se lleva a cabo en primer lugar satén de junio en DeFalco de.

Otros Pros vs Joes que tienen lugar con Texian "pro" y J9 como "Joe" en segundo sábado de julio.

Presentación Buck en temas para el futuro de la Copa Dixie 2017 y una "búsqueda de lo Totalmente Ale" pub crawl .

Se levantó la sesión y se consumieron muchas remolachas asadas



04/18/14 Monthly Meeting
Style of the month was homebrew so the "Homebrew Happy Hour" lasted the entire meeting.

Janine did pour some brown, Scotch and Old Ales also.

Sean welcomed new members & attendees. He talked about National Homebrew Day, Dixie Cup, Big Batch Brew Bash, & Galveston Pub Crawl. The newest cutest Foam Ranger to be, Skylar Rose, was in attendance & was her dad, Jackson's good luck charm for RRRRaaaffllleee!!!!

05\04\2014 Officer's meeting at D&Q
NHD was a success! May do same for "Teach a Friend to Brew" day.

Pub crawl June 21. New DeFalco's, Nobí, Galveston Island Brewing, Beerfoot, & Brews Brothers.

Dixie Cup - We have a theme!!! Discussed Dixie Cup specialty beer style guidelines.

We have a plan B for judging. Speakers. We have the Bigfoot. Rich will set up website.

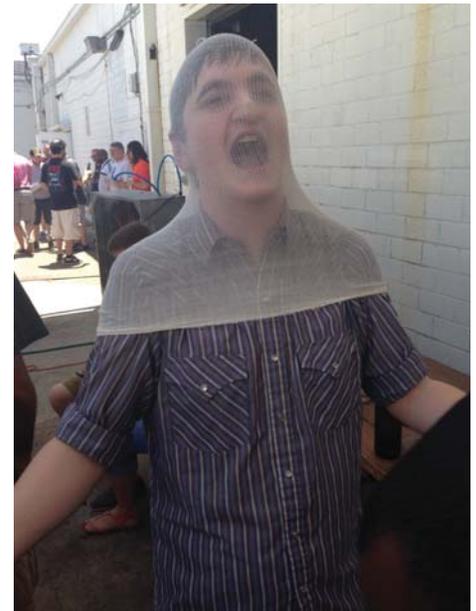
Pool party in July will be at Hank's. J9 is going to head up a Foam Ranger Float the river.

Pros vs Joes voting takes place on First Satin June at DeFalco's.

Another Pros v Joes taking place with Texian "pro" and J9 as "Joe" on 2nd Saturday in July.

Buck presentation on themes for future Dixie Cup 2017 and a "Quest for the Wholly Ale" pub crawl.

Meeting ajourned and many roasted beets were consumed



Land HO!

Postcards From Uncle Traveling Matt

Matt Crnkovich, Brewletter

Tejas. Recently made a quick week-end roadtrip around the state. Dallas became more of a beer stop than anything, but I did stop and eat at a chain brewpub named Humperdink's. I had 2 seasonals, and while they were decent and drinkable, they were not memorable on any level.

Saturday started with a visit to Jester King. I recommend a visit just based on the setting, with picnic tables under a couple of dozen large oak trees. A few favorites included a barrel aged sour red named RU55, a 10.2% barrel aged wild ale called Boxer's Revenge, and Hibernial Dichotomus, a fantastic winter saison.

Twisted X made for a quick stop on the way South from Dripping Springs. The new 4 month old facility looked great, with a lot of room for expansion in the future. The Cow Creek Vienna Lager my favorite offering. The Chupahopra IPA was good, and overall well balanced. I wasn't disappointed, however, in the crowded field that is American IPAs, it didn't stand out.



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The Foam Rangers Discussion List & the Foam Rangers Announce List.

What's the difference?

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Paid between October 31 and December 31 \$30.00 / \$40.00 (Pay early and save!)

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Paid between January 1 & June 30 \$35.00 / \$45.00
Paid between July 1 & October 31 \$25.00 / \$35.00 (Includes Dixie Cup!)

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