



Blurring the Style Guidelines: Brewing Great, Mixed-Style Beers

Saturday, June 13 | 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

BJCP style guidelines provide excellent definitions of world-acclaimed beer types. However, they are only guidelines and the creative brewer can break free to create unique beers that don't necessarily fall into a single style category.

- Peter Zien



- ***AleSmith Brewing Company, founded 1995***
- ***Peter Zien, Owner/CEO, Grand Master BJCP Judge***
- ***AleSmith has received some of the industry's highest awards including 17 GABF Medals, 10 World Beer Cup Awards, and Small Brewery and Brewer of the Year at the 2008 GABF in Denver, CO.***
- ***Ratebeer.com # 1 Brewery in the World award, 2014***
- ***Moving to new 105,000sf facility in late summer, 2015***



***Please stand if you entered the first
round of AHANHC'15***





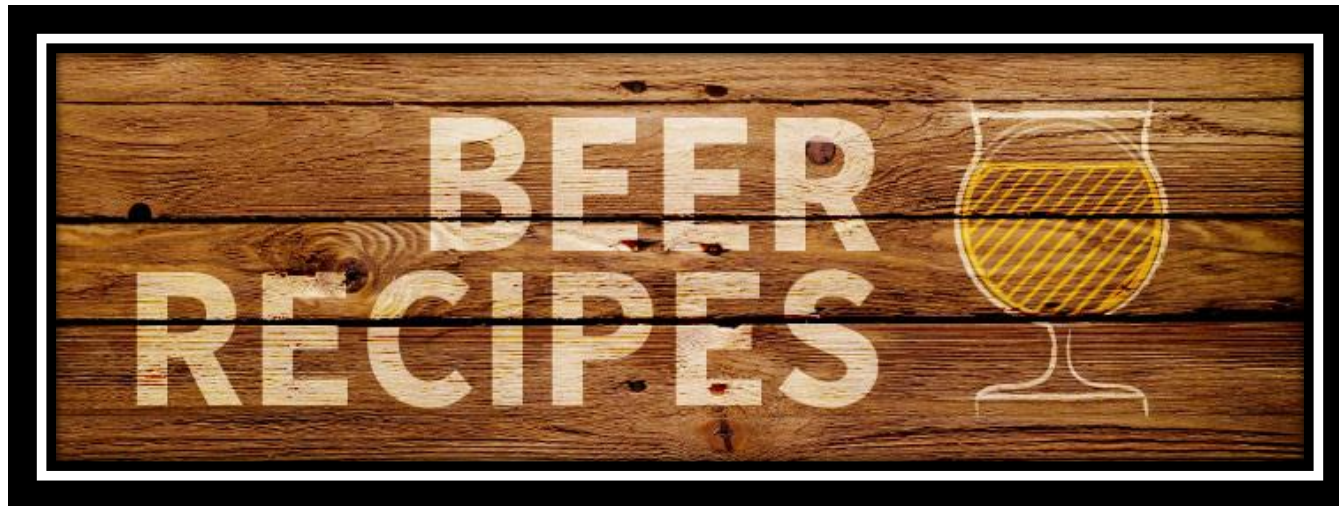
***Please remain standing if you have a
beer in the second round tonight***





HOMEBREWERS

- USING THE STYLE GUIDELINES***
- RECIPE FORMULATION***
- LIKE COOKING - A RECIPE: A THOUGHT-INVOKING TOOL***





INSTRUCTIONS VS GUIDELINES

- INSTRUCTION MANUALS ARE TO BE FOLLOWED EXACTLY***
- GUIDELINES, USE AS A CREATIVE TEMPLATE***





STYLE GUIDELINES

- **NECESSARY DOCUMENT TO FOSTER HOMEBREWING**
- **BASIS FOR JUDGING BEERS IN COMPETITION**





CREATIVITY

- ***IMPORTANT AGE FOR BREWERS***
- ***GUIDELINES AS A STEPPING STONE***
- ***WILL YOU CREATE THE NEXT GREAT STYLE OF BEER?***

extreme beer (*noun*)

A beer that pushes the boundaries
of brewing.



WHY BREW A MIXED STYLE BEER?

- ***EVOLVING A STYLE***
- ***CREATIVE FREEDOM***
- ***INVENTIVENESS***





HOW TO BREW A MIXED STYLE BEER

- ***THINKING OUTSIDE OF THE BOX***
 - ***BELGIAN/AMERICAN ONCE NOVEL, NOW ACCEPTED STYLE***
- ***YEAST VARIATION***
 - ***EASY WAY TO EXPERIMENT WITH DIFFERENT FERMENTATION CHARACTERISTICS***
- ***NON-TRADITIONAL RAW MATERIAL CHOICE***
 - ***BARLEY, WHEAT, ADJUNCT, HOP, WATER PROFILE***





EXAMPLES OF MIXED STYLE BEERS

- **ALT BIER OR AMBER ALE**
 - **NOBEL HOPS**
- **CREAM ALE VS CLASSIC AMERICAN PILSNER**
 - **ADJUNCT**
- **PORTER VS STOUT**
 - **ROAST LEVEL**
- **NUT BROWN VS BROWN PORTER**
 - **COLOR**
 - **CHOCOLATE AND CRYSTAL MALTS**
- **MANY MORE...**
 - **COLOR, IBU'S, ALCOHOL AT SIMILAR LEVELS**

**NUT
BROWN**

ENGLISH-STYLE ALE

**SPEEDWAY
STOUT™**

IMPERIAL STOUT WITH COFFEE



Questions?