



# Cloudy Town Brewers

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November,  
2010

### October Meeting Minutes

1. Thanks to Tom Zupanc for hosting October's meeting! It was a nice fall evening on the deck... stinky cheese and all.
2. November meeting is at Michael's Restaurant in St. Cloud.
3. We were hoping to have the December meeting at G Allen's but they want to charge us \$75 for the room, so we will discuss other location options at this month's meeting.
4. BJCP test is November 13<sup>th</sup>... best of luck to those preparing for the exam!

# THANKSGIVING BEER PAIRINGS



*Compiled by Jen  
Meyers*

1. Pumpkin pie and a spiced holiday ale
2. Cranberry sauce and hefeweizen
3. Sweet potato casserole and porter
4. Pecan pie and coffee stout
5. Turkey and a cranberry ale or cherry lambic
6. Sweet corn soufflé and pilsner
7. Traditional stuffing and an American amber

# Dates to Remember:

Wed, November 3<sup>rd</sup>: CTB monthly meeting, Michael's Restaurant. 7:30 pm

Sat, November 13<sup>th</sup>: BJCP exam, 9 am. Room 108 in Midtown Square

Wed, December 1<sup>st</sup>: CTB monthly meeting, 7:30 pm, location TBA

CTB Christmas Party: location, date, time TBA



# MEMBER PROFILE: ERIK NELSON

1. When did you make your first batch of beer, and what did you brew?  
How did it turn out?

The first beer that I ever made was during the summer of 1995 and it was a Dunkelweizen. I think it turned out very good. It reminded me of the dunkelweizens I had when I studied in Ingolstadt Germany.

2. Biggest brewing mistake? The biggest brewing mistake I had is the time I forgot to do a blow-off tube with a weizen, and it ended up having a ceiling shower of yeast, which I did not find until the next morning.

3. Advice to novice brewers: As an advice to novice brewers is not to get too discouraged at first if your batches are not the best. But the main thing to concentrate on is your sanitation. No matter what else that you concentrate on, if you get an infection your batch is ruined.

4. Favorite commercial beer: My favorite commercial beer is a tie between Duvel, and celebrator doppelbock.

5. Most overrated commercial beer, in your opinion: I know some people won't like this answer but my most overrated commercial beer is Summit Extra Pale Ale. But remember I do not like APA at all.

6. Favorite drinking establishment you've ever been in and why?

I know that most of you will not know of my favorite beer place. When I was travelling with homebrewers from Rochester, we went to Netherlands, Belgium, and Germany. The best place was the Biercafe-Kadinsky in Tilburg, Netherlands. To understand why I like it, imagine this; in this biercafe it has lots of tables outside and many tables inside. Then to order a beer, you need a menu of 100+ belgian beers. If you like Belgian beers, you are in beer heaven.

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interviewed? Have  
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sale, looking for  
equipment, or need a  
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