

# 03/12/2018 – Overmountain Brewers Meeting

Members:	Paul Davidson	Brian Donts	Guests:
Donna Dingus	Ron Hutton		
Steve Paulson	Jamie Dick		
Joe Wentz	Rick Carrol		

1. Financial Status – \$361.98 –dues were added to the account
2. Upcoming Events and Business–
  - a. Collaboration with Sugar Hill Brewing Company
    - i. March 17, 2018
    - ii. Brown Ale
    - iii. 10:00 start time
  - b. Thirsty Orange
    - i. April 7, 2018
    - ii. Need to know whom is bringing beer and who can help setup
  - c. Big Brew – AHA Homebrewing Holiday
    - i. Any interest?
  - d. Spring Fling in Asheville
    - i. March 24, 2018
    - ii. Need input on plan visits
  - e. April Meeting – Invited to join other homebrew groups at Studio Brew
3. Education Topic – History of American Pilsners Presentation
4. Meeting Highlights / Walk on Items
  - a. Meeting place was Joe Wentz’s house, Abingdon, VA 24210
  - b. Bristol Station Brews and Taproom – This brewery has a brew off event where they compete against a homebrewer for best beer. The event is called Beat the Brewer Challenge and is open to any homebrewer that wants to compete.
    - i. Does anyone want to participate?
    - ii. In late January/Early February Cable Hodges will be going up against Ken
  - c. Joe Wentz will be placing an order first week of April
  - d. Paul Davidson brought us some wine score sheets for us to see how wine is judged. Paul and Crystal won several medals for their wine and we were very lucky to sample this wine!
  - e. Checkout the Bootleg Biology project as they are trying to map out yeast
  - f. Joe is going to have a British Beer tasting at Elderbrew

## Meeting Topics and Focus for 2018

Month	Presenter	Topic	Location

April		Intro Homebrewing with Extract	
May		Intro Homebrewing with All Grain	
June	Justin Dick	Growing of the Hops	
July		Kegging 101	
August	All Members	River House Gathering of Brewers	Joe's River House
September		Cider – Pressing and Making	
October	Craig Ashburn- Joe's friend	Climate Change impact on Ingredients for Beer/Wine	Joe's River House
November	Jamie Dick	Soda Making	
December	All Members	Elections and Specialty Bottle Share	

**Taste Camp visits and proposed ideas: Will look at Taste Camp later in the year to gage interest.**