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Homebrewers Adam Comeau and Eric Oliver win gold at Garrison's Ultimate Brew-off

HALIFAX, NS – March 18, 2011 – Last night marked Garrison Brewing's 3rd annual Ultimate Brew-Off and the launch of last year's winning entry – "Tilford's NiT-WiT Belgian-Style Wheat."

Each year, Garrison hosts the only BJCP certified contest to showcase the talents of Maritime homebrewers. This year's style was a Schwarzbier (Black Beer). This dark German lager is known for its black colour and full, chocolate and coffee flavours. More than 110 attendees watched the award ceremony and sampled beer from the finalists. Submissions by the four finalists were judged by Patrice Godin (owner of Moncton nanobrewery Acadie-Broue), Mark Haynes (co-owner of Noble Grape Urban Winery) and Jeff Pinhey (National Beer Judge and sommelier instructor).

The ceremony kicked off with 2010 Brew-off winner Scott Tilford receiving cases of his very own commercially produced beer. Scott participated in every step of the process, from scaling up his original recipe with Brewmaster Daniel Girard to brewing, bottling and even naming the beer (NiT-WiT is a play on the "Wit" beer style). "The brewhouse literally stopped working and broke into applause when the beer came off the bottling line," Garrison president Brian Titus announced. "The look, taste and aromas are just amazing."

2011 Ultimate Brew-off winners:

- ❖ Andrew Smith won Honourable Mention
- ❖ Ann Theriault won Bronze
- ❖ Justin Lockhart won Silver
- ❖ Homebrewing team Adam Comeau and Eric Oliver won Gold

Scott Tilford's NiT-WiT Wheat Beer is now available on tap at the brewery and in bottles at the brewery and private stores throughout Halifax.

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About Garrison Brewing

Garrison Brewing Company is an award-winning independent microbrewery located in the Halifax Seaport. They produce distinctive, unpasteurized, all-natural ales in small batches. Now in its 14th year, Garrison distributes craft beer throughout the Maritimes in bottled and draught format.



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