



Event Announcement

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CAMA Manitoba to host Lunch & Learn at Nonsuch Brewery on September 26, 2019.

[Winnipeg, MB] **A business owner, micro biologist, chemist and CPA walk into a bar.... Not four people mind you, and not just any bar.**

That would be **Brock Coutts, co-owner of Patent 5 Distillery**, which opened five months ago in the Exchange District.

Brock got the taste for distilling about a decade ago when away for work in Boston at a brewery, when he was told to check out the craft brewery next door. Ten years later everything has come to fruition for Brock. But all he needed was a name... All that took was a bit of research going all the way back to 1869. The fifth patent ever issued in the Dominion of Canada in 1869 was for the column still. Patent 5 was born.

Brock says one of the challenges facing craft brewers in Manitoba is the mark ups. When the premier made an announcement at the beginning of September stating there would be a reduction in markups sold at the store or on premises, that was music to Brock's ears.

When it comes to the grains in their products, Brock says all of their wheat is sourced from Manitoba, all Manitoba grown. Their barley is sourced locally and is a combination of barley from Manitoba and Saskatchewan.

“We are 90% wheat and 10% barley, so 90% of our product is grown and distilled in Manitoba.”

Join Brock at The CAMA Manitoba Lunch & Learn on **Thursday, September 26** at the La Brasserie Nonsuch Brewing Co. The Panel Discussion Topic is The Marketing Behind Brewing and Distilling in Manitoba.

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