Beef on Weck (A Western New York Staple)

Ingredients:

- Kaiser Rolls from bakery (I usually buy 6 at a time- but this recipe will make at least 12)
- Roast beef (sliced thin from the Deli at grocery store)
- 1 packet of Au Jus (powder- near gravy packet section in grocery store) or 2-3 cans of Au jus (Campbell's brand)
- Kosher Salt (coarse) or sea salt
- Caraway seeds- in spices section
- 1tbs corn starch
- 1 cup water plus water for Au jus

Directions:

- 1. Heat oven to *350
- 2. Mix Au jus according to package directions- keep warm
- 3. Bring to a boil ½ cup of water
- 4. Mix 1 tbs corn starch into warm- not hot- water- it will instantly dissolve and the water will be cloudy
- 5. Add the starch mixture to the boiling water
- 6. Keep stirring it until the liquid is thick enough to coat the spoon- it will still be thin enough to pour
- 7. Be careful- it can boil over fast!
- 8. When the corn starch is ready- spread on top of each roll using a pastry brush
- 9. Sprinkle ½ tsp of salt and ½ tsp of caraway seeds on top of each roll
- 10. Place in oven and bake until dry- about 15-20 minutes
- 11. Remove from oven and let cool
- 12. Slice rolls
- 13. Place as many pieces of Roast beef into the hot au jus as you want for each sandwich
- 14. Leave in au jus for about 30 second to 1 minute
- 15. Remove using tongs and place on a cut roll
- 16. Repeat for each sandwich
- 17. Some people like to drench their rolls with au jus and make them soggy, others like them dry, while still others will dip theirs in a bowl of au jus on the side. It is up to you!
- 18. In Buffalo a lot of people top their wecks with Horseradish- we call it horsey sauce- I personally don't like horseradish, it ruins the sandwich for me.
- 19. Serve with a side of fries or a cup of chili (when in season ☺)!