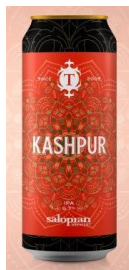


Kashpur - Limited Edition

Available from behind the bar we will have a unique collaboration between Thornbridge and Salopian breweries using a blend of the ingredients of everyone's favourites Jaipur and Kashmir, to create Kashpur! Look out for the cask coming soon!!!



Beer Day Britain

Last month we celebrated Beer Day Britain. At 7pm on 15th June, people all over the country raised a glass and said 'cheers to beer!' Where better to mark the occasion than at CAMRA's National Pub of the Year. Our Tap stalwarts got into the spirit and did what they do best ... drinking beer and enjoying a bit of banter.

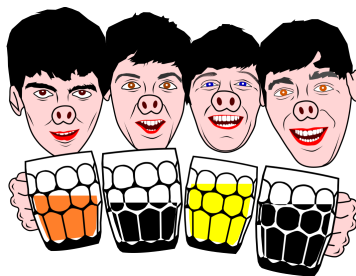


National Festival of Archaeology

Join us on Tuesday 18th July when William Mitchell, lecturer in Archaeology at Staffordshire University, will be giving a talk about the findings from the second dig at Tamworth Castle. This promises to be a very interesting and insightful evening. This event will take place in the Top of the Tap on the second floor. There is no need to book, just turn up. Please remember we are an 18-plus only venue.

Tamworth Beer Festival

The town's annual beer highlight will soon be upon us, with the CAMRA beer festival at the Assembly Rooms, from 7th to 9th September. This year's theme is the 60th anniversary of the Beatles playing at the Assems, though the mop tops have morphed into the Beertles with piggy snouts! We'll be there with Tamworth beers and gins, see you there!



Race of the Phoenix

One of our regulars Wayne is doing his bit for charity. He will be doing 10 marathons in 10 days, covering 260 miles, visiting the local areas around Tamworth as he goes. He will start on 12th July and go on until the 31st. He is supporting UK CV Family, the Royal British Legion and the Army Benevolent Fund. Wayne is doing this in an assisted chair, so it's no mean feat! All donations are very welcome, please support Wayne in his cause. Scan the QR code to donate.



Save the date:

- Bat Watch ~ [Wednesday 2nd August](#)
- Cornish Ale Fest ~ [Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th August](#)
- Songwriters in the Round ~ [Friday 11th August](#)
- Only Elton ~ [Saturday 26th August](#)
- Comedy Night ~ [Tuesday 12th September](#)
- Autumn Wreath Making ~ [Thursday 28th September](#)



July 2023

CAMRA Staffordshire Pub of the Year Presentation

You may have heard that we had some exciting news recently. After assessment by independent judges from all CAMRA branches in the county, we have been judged CAMRA Overall Staffordshire Pub of the Year for the 3rd year running! We are absolutely over the moon with this achievement. We are being presented with our award on Wednesday, 5th July, at around 7:30pm. Please join us to celebrate.



WHAT'S ON Our July line-up ...

- Sunday Session with Davy Thom ~ [Sunday 2nd, 4pm](#)
- LST CAMRA Branch Meeting ~ The King's Ditch ~ [Monday 3rd, 7:30pm](#)
- Paint & Sip ~ [Wednesday 5th, 7pm](#)
- CAMRA Staffs Pub of the Year Presentation ~ [Wednesday 5th, 7:30pm](#)
- Tamworth Folk Group ~ [Friday 7th, 7:30pm](#), Top Tap
- Sunday Session with Dean Clinton ~ [Sunday 9th, 4pm](#)
- Creative Writing Group ~ [Wednesday 12th, 7pm](#)
- Friday Night Live with Carrick ~ [Friday 14th, 8pm](#)
- Sunday Session with Zach & Ellen ~ [Sunday 16th, 4pm](#)
- National Archaeology Festival - Castle Findings Talk ~ [Tuesday 18th, 7pm](#)
- Paint & Sip ~ [Wednesday 19th, 7pm](#)
- Thunder Boiz Debut Night ~ [Thursday 20th, 7:30pm](#)
- Tamworth Folk Group ~ [Friday 21st, 7:30pm](#), Top Tap
- Friday Night Live with Rob Taylor ~ [Friday 21st, 8pm](#)
- Sunday Session with Wooding ~ [Sunday 23rd, 4pm](#)
- Cherry Fair ~ [Wednesday 26th](#)
- Creative Writing Group ~ [Wednesday 26th, 7pm](#)
- Friday Night Live with 3s A Crowd ~ [Friday 28th, 8pm](#)
- Sunday Session with The Foster Brothers ~ [Sunday 30th, 4pm](#)

Craig Gould

What an incredible night this was. We were honoured to have been chosen as the venue for the last night of Craig Gould Music's tour. We had a full house and the weather was perfect. First up was Mike Dryburgh, followed by Dan Sealy, building up to the main event - Craig Gould & The Noble Thieves. What a display of talent, they did not disappoint. It was a thoroughly enjoyable evening and we cannot wait to have them back!



Summer Solstice

Thank you to all those who joined us over our Summer Solstice Fest and made it another weekend to remember. We had wreath making, a folk group, a summer ales fest (29 casks in total!), a blues band, and the Pimms went down a treat! It's always such a pleasure to see you all enjoying yourselves and having fun with each other and the team. Thanks for being you, Tappers. And a big thank you also to our fabulous musicians the Tame Delta Blues Band & Green Fortune and our wonderful florist Wendy.

Podcast

As current reigning Great British Pub Award 'Garden of the Year' winners, George was invited to join the Morning Advertiser's Lock In Podcast team to discuss how important gardens are to the licensed trade and how best to use them. It was a great experience and we had lots of laughs. If you'd like to listen to it, use the Podcast link on the the Morning Advertiser page at morningadvertiser.co.uk and look for the edition of 13th June.



Cornish Ale Fest

Come and join us on 5th & 6th August at the Tap's Cornish Beer Festival, a celebration of handcrafted ales lovingly brewed by talented Cornish artisans, that will whisk you away to Cornish shores. From hoppy IPAs to rich stouts and refreshing pale ales, there's a brew to suit every beer lover's palate. Taste the essence of Cornwall as you savour unique flavours and connect with fellow beer enthusiasts within the picturesque surroundings of the Hop Yard.



CAMRA Crews Out and About

Great to see yet more CAMRA branches visiting us over the last few weeks. We've been blown away by the incredible feedback we've been receiving, but it's also great for the town's ale scene, with other pubs on Tamworth's Ale Trail seeing more visitors. Big shout-out to Sheffield, Telford & East Shropshire, South Yorkshire, Derby, and Burton & South Derbyshire CAMRA branches!

Champion Beer of Britain

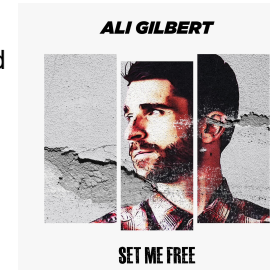
Champion Beer of Britain regional judging is taking place at Wolverhampton CAMRA Beer Festival on Thursday 6th July.

We are excited to tell you that George's 'Whopper' is a finalist in the West Midlands region in the IPA category, and is being judged at the festival. Fingers crossed!



Ali Gilbert

A fantastic night was had by all who attended Ali Gilbert's new single launch at the Tap last month. It's already received huge support from 'BBC Music Introducing', being Radio 1Xtra's Rakeem Omar's Track of The Week on the breakfast show!! Download 'Set Me Free' on Spotify and show your support for a top Tamworth talent.



Snacks are back!

You may have noticed an increased selection of snacks in the fridge. We have a fabulous new cook and who is lovingly preparing fresh cobs, scotch eggs and sausage rolls daily, including a new range of vegetarian options. Yum!



Ask for Clive



We are pleased to announce that we are now officially an 'Ask for Clive' venue. Ask for Clive is a charity that partners with venues to promote inclusion and to create welcoming environments for all. They work directly with local communities and venues, and collaborate with law enforcement on training and reporting initiatives. The main idea is 'Everyone is Welcome Here' and that discrimination will not be tolerated.

Bat Watch

Join us for our annual 'Bat Watch' which is taking place on Wednesday 2nd August this year. This is an evening with a difference, with our very own 'Bat Man' Chris Smith from the Bat Conservation Trust (www.bats.org.uk), who will give us an interesting and informative insight into the bat life of the Hop Yard. The evening will begin with a short talk that will include the chance to listen to the sounds of a number of species of bats. Following the talk, you will be given the opportunity to use bat detecting equipment in the Hop Yard.

We will be serving themed ales to help create the right BATmosphere, and Bats Blood, a delicious Merlot red wine, will also be on sale. Bat Conservation Trust info packs will be available for those who are interested, and our Bat Man will be on-hand to answer any questions after the talk.

Sunset is around 8pm that night (TBC) so the talk will commence at 7:30pm to allow the timing/lighting to be right.

* Please note, there is no need to book. This is a 'just turn up' event. Also please note, timings may change and will be confirmed nearer to the event. *