

## Art of Tamworth

We are delighted to let you know that we will be part of the first 'Art of Tamworth' event run by New Urban Era this month.

We've worked with them before and have always had a great experience. Some of the incredible art in the garden was created with them. There are workshops, demonstrations and performances taking place all over the town. Join us for a spoken word performance by Joe Cook at 3pm on Sunday 10th, followed by live music from Sheena Vultaggio and Tom McLoughlin at 4pm.



September 2023

## Good luck Beth!

We would like to wish all the luck in the world to our 'Baby Beth' as she embarks on a new journey in her life. For those who don't know, Beth has always wanted to work with children and in particular children with special needs. After lots of hard work and many hours volunteering to gain the experience she needed, she has secured her first position in a school. But don't worry - she isn't leaving us. You'll still see Beth's beautiful face behind the bar on Thursdays and she'll be helping out when we're busy.

Lots of luck Beth. We are very proud of you and know you you will make a difference to many people's lives in your chosen path.



## West Midlands Pub of the Year

It was a big night for the team when we were awarded West Midlands Pub of the Year for the second year running. The award was presented by Shelly Bentley (Regional Director) with words from Gary Timmins (CAMRA National Executive) who also presented us with the freshly engraved cup. We can't express what this means to us; we are absolutely over the moon! Ultimate praise to the best team in the whole wide world for helping us to achieve this accolade. And a huge thanks to you Tappers; we simply wouldn't be us without you! We are now down the the final sixteen pubs in the country, competing for last four and ultimately the top spot again. Fingers crossed!



## Ask for Clive

Just a reminder 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. It's all about inclusivity.

## Good Beer Guide

The 2024 edition of CAMRA's Good Beer Guide will be out towards the end of September. We will have a limited number of copies available to buy behind bar after the official release date - speak to a member of the team. The Guide is also available as phone app if you prefer that.

## Save the date:

- All Hallows' Fest ~ 28th - 31st October
- Fawkes' Fest ~ 4th & 5th November
- The Tap Remembers ~ Sunday 12th November
- Comedy Night ~ Top Tap, Thursday 16th November
- The Tap's 6th Birthday ~ Friday 22nd December

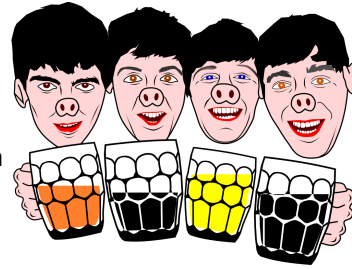


## WHAT'S ON Our September line-up ...

- Tamworth Folk Group ~ Friday 1st, 7:30pm, Top Tap
- Friday Night Live with Dean Dovey ~ Friday 1st, 8pm
- Sunday Session with Rob Taylor ~ Sunday 3rd, 4pm
- Paint & Sip ~ Wednesday 6th, 7pm
- Tamworth Beer Fest ~ Thursday 7th - Saturday 9th, 11am-11pm
- Art of Tamworth 'Spoken Word' from Joe Cook ~ Sunday 10th, 3pm
- Sunday Session, Sheena Vultaggio & Tom McLoughlin ~ Sun 10th, 4pm
- Barrel of Laughs Comedy Night - Tuesday 12th, 7:30pm (Sold Out)
- Creative Writing Group ~ Wednesday 13th, 7pm
- Tamworth Folk Group ~ Friday 15th, 7:30pm, Top Tap
- Sunday Session with Ricky Booth ~ Sunday 17th, 4pm
- Paint & Sip ~ Wednesday 20th, 7pm
- Sunday Session with the Tame Delta Blues Band ~ Sunday 24th, 4pm
- Creative Writing Group ~ Wednesday 27th, 7pm
- Autumn Wreath Making Workshop ~ Thursday 28th, 7:30pm
- LST CAMRA Social ~ Saturday 30th (Fully booked)

## Tamworth Beer Festival

It's that time of year again Tappers. CAMRA's 29th Tamworth Beer Festival will be open from 7th-9th September at the Assembly Rooms. As always we will be supporting and supplying a number of casks, which will be specials. We will also be having a pop-up gin and Belgian beer bar on the Friday and Saturday evening from 7pm. You'll find us in the main room.



## Beatles Beer Fest Brew Day

Though it only seems like 'Yesterday', let's 'Get Back' to a few weeks ago when we had 'A Little Help From Our Friends' as we welcomed members of the LST CAMRA branch & beer fest team to 'Come Together' for their very own brew day! They had 'A Hard Day's Night', spending the day learning about the 'Long And Winding Road' of the brewing process and getting hands-on with 'Help!' from George, producing a beer festival special - a 3.7% amber ale with Citra and Willamette hops. It's safe to say they had a 'Day In The Life' and a good time was had by all! Come to the fest as a 'Day Tripper' and say 'Hello Goodbye' as you sample the fruits of their labour, as well as having a 'Magical Mystery Tour' of the 75+ ales! 'Let It Be' Tappers!



## Another fine night!

Loads of laughs were had at our first Laurel and Hardy classic film night. The audience were just great, their eager participation, enthusiasm and pure enjoyment just made the evening! Huge thanks to John and Mandy from 'Laughing Gravy Tent' (Birmingham Laurel and Hardy Fan Club) for sharing their knowledge and passion. It was one of the best nights we've had! Think we need to do another one...



## Untappd

We are pleased to announce that we are now a verified Untappd venue. This brings you the ability to check in and see all the cask and creative keg we have to offer. This is sure to attract a whole new audience, providing up to the minute information on your favourite beers.



## Craft Keg

For you craft keg beer lovers out there you'll be pleased to know we've had another 10 keg lines installed, making a total of 21 now! These will be dedicated mainly to KeyKeg (recognised by CAMRA as 'real'). Look out for more weird and wonderful beer styles and tastes coming your way from creative brewers across the UK and further afield. You can keep track of what's available and coming soon on both Real Ale Finder and Untappd.

## Bar Person of the Year

We were incredibly proud to find out that our very own 'Super Sophie' has been voted as LST CAMRA's Bar Person of the Year! It's an award which looks for a member of staff who stands out and makes a difference to the experience of the customer. We think you'll agree that Sophie's welcome and service are second to none. She always goes the extra mile and gives everything she possibly can to make every visit an enjoyable one. We are often told, 'We don't know what we want, but Sophie always does!' We get positive praise and incredible feedback about 'our Soph' every single day. And behind the scenes is just the same - her work ethic and dedication to the Tap blows us away. She is pictured with Pubs Officer John Rowling of the local branch.



We couldn't be more proud of you Sophie. Well done, you deserve this so much!

## Bar Bites

Our new Bar Bites menu is proving to be popular so we've extended the menu and made it available for longer. Each item comes in the perfect size portion to keep you going without taking up all your beer drinking room! Menus are out on tables when food is available to order. Order hot items from Lindsay at the hatch in the Hop Yard and please give your table number if you're outside.

## Saturday night was alright!

Huge thanks to our good friend and top class performer and entertainer Rob Taylor, who absolutely wowed the crowd with his Only Elton show on bank holiday Saturday. He was incredible - better than the man himself according to many! He then went on to do another two hours of top tunes, including everything from dance tracks to eighties faves and even power ballads. What a performance! Rob will be back soon for a Friday Night Live or Sunday Session, but for those of you who are asking, same time same place next year for another 'Only Elton'.



## CAMRA crews out and about



We continue to welcome CAMRA branches from all over the country to the Tap. Amongst others, Hinckley and Bosworth CAMRA joined us for their thank you trip for the volunteers at the recent Bosworth Rail Ale festival. A jolly good time was had by all and we received great feedback back about the pub, the beer, the atmosphere and the food. Cheers all.