

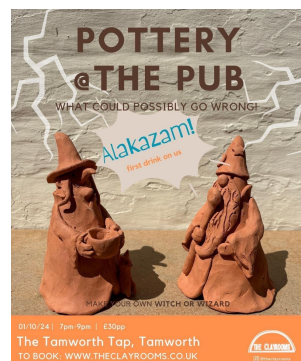
## Heritage Pub Night - coming soon ...

Join us and fellow enthusiasts for an informal evening of chatting about the pubs of Tamworth gone by. Come and share your memories and please bring any pictures or memorabilia you may have. There's no requirements other than enthusiasm and a willingness to chat. Date to be announced.



# Tap Times

October 2024



## Pottery at the Pub

Exciting news Tappers! We have a brand new creative class coming to the Tamworth Tap. In partnership with The Clayrooms we bring you 'Pottery at the Pub'. On 1st October we will be creating some pottery magic. Think Witches, Wizards, Sorting Hats and more. With Halloween just around the corner, it promises to be a magical night! But there's more where that came from and there will be a different theme for each event. Your ticket includes all the tools and equipment you will need, the cost of firing your creation in the kiln, and even your first drink.

Watch this space for details of the next one.

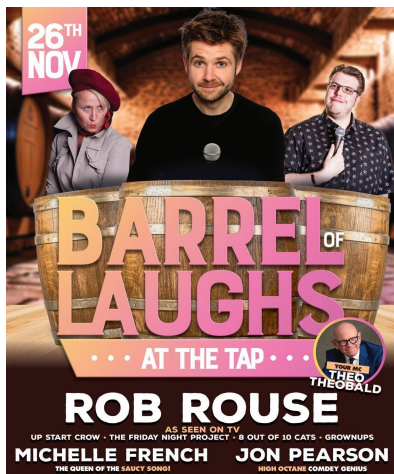
## National Cask Ale Week

National Cask Ale Week took place on 19th - 29th September. Where better than to celebrate our national drink than at the CAMRA National Pub of the Year 2022 and 2023 and the newly crowned GBPA's Best Pub for Beer!

As always, we had an excellent selection of ales lined up for you and plenty more waiting in the wings. With at least 8 ales on offer a day and up to 30 every week, every day is a beer festival at the Tamworth Tap!

## Barrel of Laughs

We have the date for our next comedy night ... join us on 26th November for a Barrel of Laughs in the Top Tap. Message us or ask at the bar to book your places. Don't delay - these nights always sell out.



## Save the date:

Fawkes' Fest ~ 2nd November

The Tap Remembers ~ 10th November

Christmas Wreath Making ~ 28th November and 3rd December

Christmas Story Telling ~ 11th & 12th December

A Night of Christmas Crackers with Ali Gilbert ~ Friday 20th, 7:30pm

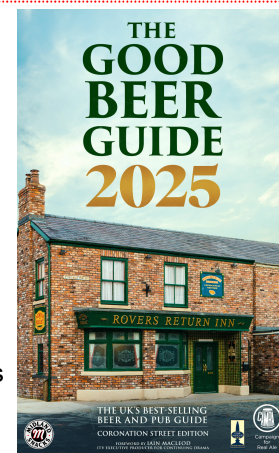
The Tap's 8th Birthday ~ 22nd December



## We're In It!

We are utterly delighted to announce that the Tamworth Tap has made it into the Good Beer Guide 2025, the Campaign for Real Ale's flagship publication. And we are so proud to say that we've been in it every year since we opened. They've even used a couple of pictures of us this year, including our now famous Good Beer Guide staircase.

Cheers Tappers!



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

- Crafty Tappers Club ~ Tuesday 1st, 6:30pm, Green Room
- Pottery at the Pub ~ Tuesday 1st, 7pm, Top Tap
- Paint & Sip ~ Wednesday 2nd, 7pm, Top Tap
- Dungeons & Dragons ~ Thursday 3rd, 6pm, Green Room
- Tamworth Folk Group ~ Friday 4th, 7:30pm, Top Tap
- Sunday Session with Abi Phillips ~ Sunday 6th, 4pm
- Creative Writing Group ~ Wednesday 9th, 7pm, Green Room
- Kasteel Tasting Night ~ Thursday 10th, 7pm, Main Bar
- Sunday Session with Ben Hemmings ~ Sunday 13th, 4pm
- Paint & Sip ~ Wednesday 16th, 7pm, Top Tap
- Dungeons & Dragons ~ Thursday 17th, 6pm, Green Room
- Wine Tasting ~ Thursday 17th, 7:30pm, Top Tap (fully booked)
- Tamworth Folk Group ~ Friday 18th, 7:30pm, Top Tap
- Sunday Session with Bryan Brindley ~ Sunday 20th, 4pm
- LST CAMRA Halloween Walkabout ~ Saturday 26th, from 2pm
- Sunday Session with Chuck Micallef ~ Sunday 27th, 4pm
- Halloween Story Telling ~ Thursday 31st, 7:30pm, Top Tap (booking reqd)

## Best Pub for Beer in Britain!

On Tuesday 17th September we travelled up to Manchester to attend the Great British Pub Awards at the impressive O2 Victoria Warehouse. As you know, we were finalists in the 'Best Pub for Beer' category, which was brand new this year. We didn't expect to win - the competition was fierce - and we were just there to enjoy the evening and our 'Finalist' status.

The place was packed and after indulging in the free-flowing food and drinks, we took our seats at our table and waited for the ceremony to commence. A magician entertained the crowds before the band arrived on stage, followed by Ed Bedington (editor of the Morning Advertiser) and Ralph Little, who was hosting.

Our category was first up. We held hands and waited ... and guess what Tappers - we WON! The Tamworth Tap was proclaimed Best Pub for Beer in the industry by the Morning Advertiser and SIBA at the Oscars of the pub world. We can't quite believe it. Needless to say we had the a fantastic night celebrating. The only thing missing was you and the best team in the world. We would have loved to have shared the moment with you all.



## Halloween Story Telling

Join us on 31st October for an evening of spine-tingling storytelling for adults with Maria Credali, featuring deliciously dark tales from around the world. Expect ghosts, demons, witches, unexplained mysteries and encounters with the other world.

Moving, entertaining and downright scary; these are stories for adults only and will send shivers down your spine. The evening cost £8 per person and includes a glass of mulled cider. Places must be pre-booked. Ask at the bar or message us.

## Pre-Show Pint

It was great to have a pre-show pint with now Tap-regular, comedian Ed Byrne (well, he's been in twice!). He popped in before his show at the Assembly Rooms. Cheers Ed ... hope to see you again next year!

## Tamworth Ale Scoops Top Prize!

Great news Tappers! George's beer 'Neapolitan Did Surrender' scooped Speciality Beer of the Festival at this year's Tamworth Beer Festival at the Assembly Rooms in September. A combination of vanilla, strawberry and chocolate got punters coming back for a second serving and it was the first beer to sell out!



## Wreath Making

A wonderful evening was had by all at our autumn wreath making workshop. The colours and smells were amazing! Thank you as always to our talented florist Wendy, for guiding us so expertly. Our Christmas workshops, which are on 28th November and 2nd December, are now available to book. Message us or ask at the bar.



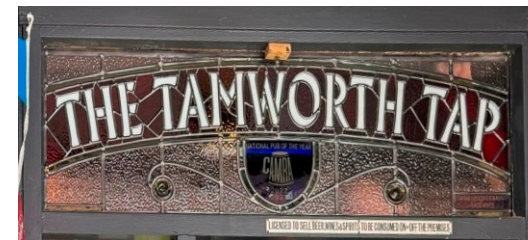
## Doodle and a Drink!

Last month saw the annual Art of Tamworth weekend descend upon the Tap and as part of the festival, Tappers enthusiastically participated in the creative workshop laid on by Doodle with KORP in the Hop Yard. This was followed by an all encompassing performance by Mr Wilson's Second Liners, who took over the Hop Yard and amazed the crowds. After that there was a visit by Rimski and Handkerchief with their piano and double bass. Incredible!

A massive well done to all those involved, in particular Vic Brown for organising and bringing this event to life. What a great turn out! We'll test your creative flair again next year!

## Stained Glass

You may have noticed a new addition above your head welcoming you to the Tap as you come through the door. Tapper and friend Paul Georgiou has designed and handcrafted our very own stained glass window. Paul is a professional stained glass glazier, specialising in repair, restoration and conservation of windows in ecclesiastical buildings all over the country. When he offered to produce a unique, one-off piece for the Tap we jumped at the chance. He has recycled 100-year-old Victorian glass and bullseyes, and I'm sure you'll all agree that it looks stunning.



## The Peakys Pop In For A Pint

You may remember a couple of months back, the West Midlands Peaky Blinder group did a pub crawl around the town and made themselves very at home at the Tap. They were a great bunch of people and proved very popular with the punters. They loved our place and came back a few weeks ago, and have promised to make it a regular thing. We'll let you know when they're due back - by order of the Peaky Blinders.

