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Hang In There

As the grip of mid-January tightens its frosty hold, memories of festive merriment begin to fade into the background, soon to be replaced by the unwelcome arrival of credit card statements weighty from the recent season's indulgences. In the aftermath of New Year resolutions, health-conscious endeavours are underway, with many embracing sensible eating and bidding adieu to boozy indulgences.

Yet fear not, for in the midst of this sobering landscape, lovely delicious beer will soon emerge as the ultimate remedy to soothe the soul. Even those committed to the challenges of Dry January know that redemption is on the horizon, promising a return to the delightful embrace of craft brews that are waiting to make their triumphant return!

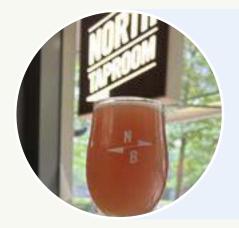
Cheers.

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Brewer's Corner

The latest news and views articles collated from the world of beer.



North Brewing To Appoint Administrators

The biggest news of the week was undoubtedly that Leeds' North Brewing is entering administration, citing the overwhelming burden of debt repayments. North Brewing was founded in 2015, as a spin-off of North Bar, which was the UK's first dedicated Craft Beer Bar when it opened in 1997.

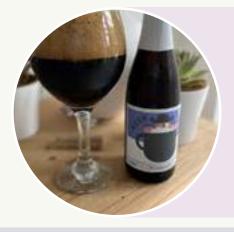
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Bumper Christmas Trading Does Not Mean Industry Is Safe

The Morning Advertiser quotes RSM Head of Leisure and Hospitality Paul Newman as saying that the bumper Christmas trading period does not mean that the industry is out of the woods yet. We can expect to see more of this type of lobbying, in an attempt to persuade the Government to leave the business rate cuts in place long-term.



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Carlsberg Acquire Stake in Mikkeller

News from Denmark this week is that Mikkeller has sold a 20% stake to Carlsberg. It has been a while since they were regarded as cutting-edge in European Craft Beer terms, but Mikkeller own some great bars, particularly in the Nordics, which will now be on our boycott-list!

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Amundsen In Focus

Speaking of the Nordics, Ferment magazine has a nice article digging into the back-story of the Norwegian masters of the Pastry Stout, Amundsen.

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Beer of the Week

Putty (2024 edition)

8% DIPA

By Verdant Brewing Co.



Putty was first brewed by Verdant in 2017 and remains unchanged to this day. Huge pillowy body, slight orange golden tinge and masses of creamy dank hop saturation delivered upon every sip. Lovingly hopped with Mosaic, Galaxy and Azacca hops.

Every batch of Putty release is an exciting event and this batch sold out in less than an hour on Verdant's website. The only chance to catch it is in their taproom or other enlightened premises who managed to secure a keg or some cans.



Last Chance to Enter The International Brewing & Cider Awards

Don't miss out on your opportunity to elevate your beer and cider to global greatness at The International Brewing & Cider Awards. Registration for the 'Oscars' of the brewing and cider world close on 31st January 2024.



Over its rich 137-year history, the competition is all about celebrating excellence within the brewing and cidermaking world, providing a platform for beers and ciders worldwide to be judged by internationally acclaimed, commercially practicing brewers and cidermakers from around the globe.

Receiving a medal or trophy at the Awards is not just an accolade, but it signifies your product as an exceptional commercial representation of its style. This achievement provides an opportunity to gain worldwide recognition for your product, enhance your brand's visibility and credibility, spark discussions with buyers, importers and distributors, whilst obtain valuable feedback from your professional peers.

For the first time the 2024 Awards will relocate to Depot Mayfield in Manchester, UK and be accompanied by a two-day public festival – **The International Brewing & Cider Festival** – offering a rare opportunity for brewers and cidermakers who enter the prestigious awards to showcase their products at the Festival and raise their brand's profile to an audience of industry professionals and beer and cider enthusiasts.

For more information about the Awards, including a list of categories and entry criteria, please visit: http://www.brewingawards.org/

The deadline for entries is 31 January 2024.

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Taproom Review



STEVE PTWICB CO-FOUNDER

By The River Brew Co. Taproom

Hillgate Quays, Gateshead NE8 2FD

Nestled in the heart of central Newcastle, on the Gateshead side of the iconic bridge, By The River Co Taproom offers a craft beer experience like no other. As you step into this unique establishment, the first thing that captures your attention is the majestic view of the River Tyne – a sight that sets the stage for a memorable visit.



What makes By The River Co Taproom truly stand out is its creative use of repurposed container units. These units come together to form a small settlement that exudes a rustic charm, offering a welcoming and laid-back atmosphere. During the summer months, the taproom truly comes alive as patrons can bask in the glorious sunshine whilst enjoying refreshing craft beers amidst the cooling ambience of the river.

Taproom Review

One of the defining features of this taproom is its expansive outside seating area, accommodating several hundred people. This makes it an ideal destination for gatherings with friends or for those who simply want to soak in the vibrant atmosphere. The quality restaurant housed in the main building is a culinary delight, complemented by street food offerings from other units in the mini container settlement.

Inside, the bar area is not only well-stocked but also incredibly comfortable. The taproom boasts a fabulous selection of craft beers, including their own brews, ensuring that there's something to suit every palate. Whether you're a seasoned craft beer enthusiast or a casual drinker, By The River Co Taproom has you covered.



Throughout the year, the taproom hosts a variety of entertainment options, including bigscreen sporting events that draw in sports fans from across the city. However, the highlight may just be the breathtaking spectacle on New Year's Eve, where fireworks reflect in the waters of the Tyne, creating a mesmerising display for all to enjoy.

In conclusion, By The River Co Taproom is a must-visit destination for craft beer enthusiasts, foodies, and anyone looking to savour the beauty of Newcastle's riverside. Whether you're lounging outside on a summer day or enjoying the warmth indoors during the winter, this taproom promises an unforgettable experience for all.

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Beer Name of the Week

Brewers are always coming up with great names for their latest brews, so we thought it's about time we noticed some of them.

Why Kick A Moo Cow

5.5% New Zealand Pale Ale

by Arbor Ales.

Nelson Sauvin joins Motueka and Rakau, bringing notes of white grape and passionfruit to the all New Zealand hop party.





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16 MARCH 2024

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17-18 MAY 2024

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18 MAY 2024

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7-8 JUNE 2024

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5-6 JULY 2024

MANCHESTER CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

Depot Mayfield, II Baring St, Manchester MI 2PY https://manchestercraftbeerfestival.com/2024-presale/

12-13 JULY 2024

BIRMINGHAM CRAFT BREW FESTIVAL

The Custard Factory, Floodgate St, Digbeth, Birmingham B5 5SU

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CRAFTY DOGG'S BEER FESTIVAL

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27 JULY 2024

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9-10 AUGUST 2024

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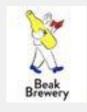
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