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Time & Ageing

What is the best time and age period in our lives? This little conundrum got me thinking deeply the other day.

Once we are past the baby stage, we enter the age of growing up (years 5 – 20), with school, spots, teens and crushes - generally a time of rushing around, and sleeping in late. In spite of all this, time still seems to pass very slowly.

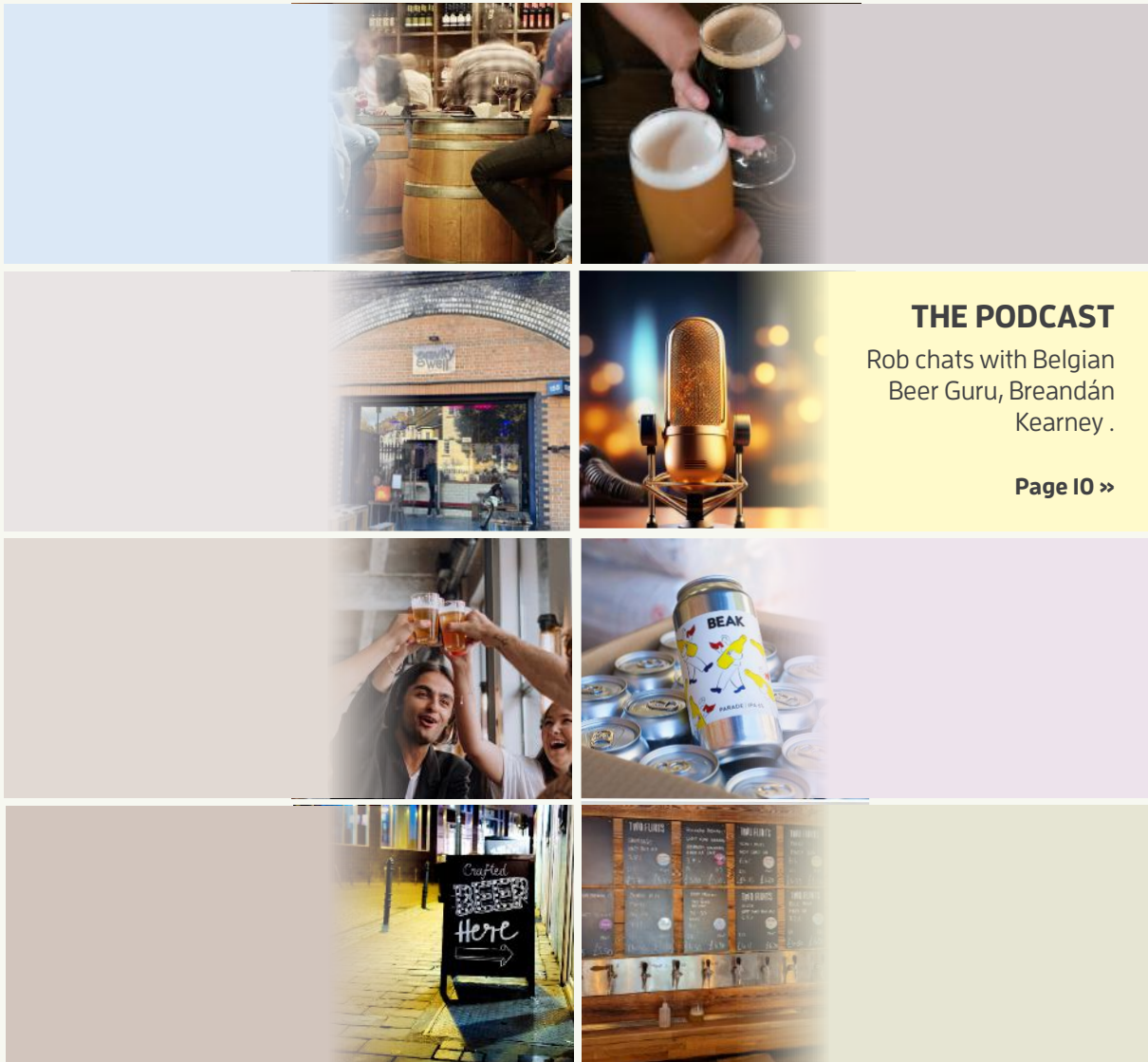
Then we reach the age of maturity (20 – 40/45) Love, marriage, kids, work and worry – the age of life’s major milestones.

After this future-changing era comes to an end, we reach the age of growing old (45 – 65/70). This is the time when we can relax a bit and hopefully enjoy the fruits of our hard labour. Unfortunately time now seems to be speeding up.

All too soon we are in the age of actually being old (65 - ?). Now time is really starting to pass quickly as we try to do all the things we always wanted to, whilst still being physically able to. My parents are now both in their 80s and tell me that, for them, it’s the happiest ever time of their lives. My dad has always drunk beer on a daily basis and is lucky to be fit and healthy in spite of (or because of) this.

In summary, therefore, I conclude that the perfect age and time is probably the one you occupy at the moment and it’s also very comforting to know that, if we are lucky, we have a happy old age to look forward to, and plenty of ale to consume.

Let’s drink a few craft beers to that thought. Cheers!



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Brewer's Corner

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



Dynamic Pricing

Lots of grumbling this week about the concept of dynamic pricing which seems like it is here to stay. Highlighted here is Mitchell & Butler who have introduced a price hike from £7.40 to £9.40 for a pint of Punk IPA after 10pm at one of their London pubs.

[READ THE ARTICLE](#)

Happy Hour

Here are the Pub Curmudgeon's views on the subject. Personally we don't see the problem, if this is what it takes to keep pubs open. Nobody complains when dynamic pricing works in the customer's favour, as it does with Happy Hours!

[READ THE ARTICLE](#)



Gipsy Hill Acquired

At Beer Insider, Glynn Davis writes about Gipsy Hill becoming the latest London independent brewery to be acquired at a fire-sale price, following in the footsteps of Wild Card, Brew By Numbers, Brick etc. Sadly, this was not the outcome any of these breweries imagined when they were launched.

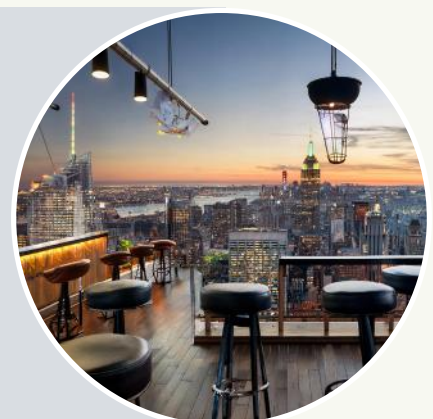
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New York Bar Closures

Finally, here is a sobering article from Bronx Times, looking at the wave of Craft Brewery and Bar closures in New York, as the tide continues to ebb away from the high-water mark of 2017, when the City celebrated the opening of nine new breweries.

[READ THE ARTICLE](#)



Beer of the Week

Sea Echoes

4.6% Fog Pale

by Burnt Mill Brewery



The sea echoes along the shore of Aldeburgh. Journeying down from the Snape Marshes along the River Alde, we come to Aldeburgh and its expansive shoreline. The beach is home to the 'Scallop' statue inspired by Benjamin Britton. This pale has bright and refreshing tropical and green fruit flavours along with notes of white grape and red fruits coming from Enigma hops.

<https://burntmillbrewery.com/products/sea-echoes-fog-pale-ale-4-6>

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allowing our decoration to deliver the temptation.*



Taproom Review



EMMA R
GUEST REVIEWER

Gravity Well Taproom

Unit I Compass West Estate, London N17 0XL

Located just a short stroll from Leytonstone station, Gravity Well Tap Room is a vibrant yet unpretentious gem for craft beer lovers. With a unique offering of 10 taps, all pouring their own brews, this spot is a perfect destination for anyone looking to explore a range of beers that showcase the creativity and skill of their brewing.



The taps rotate regularly, but expect to find a diverse selection of styles on offer: crisp lagers, session pales, punchy IPAs, tangy sours, and rich stouts. Whether you're after something refreshing or a more complex brew to savour, there's a solid option for every palate. For those who aren't as keen on beer, Gravity Well also serves a small selection of alternative alcoholic drinks, ensuring those non-beer drinkers can find something to enjoy.

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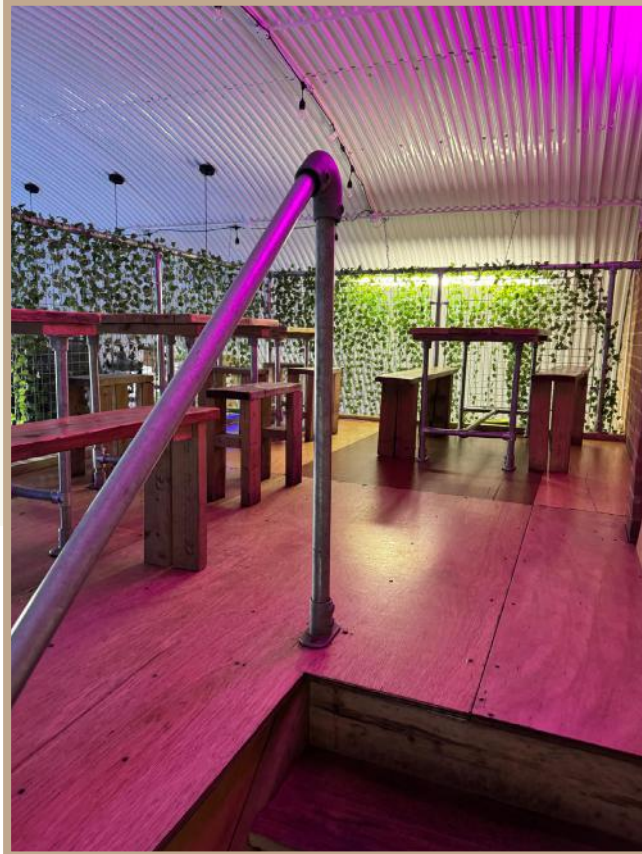
The interior is rustic, striking a cool balance between industrial and cozy, with metal fixtures, wooden benches, and quirky neon lighting that give it an edgy yet inviting atmosphere.



Seating is somewhat limited inside, with room for only 10-15 patrons on the ground floor and an additional 15-20 upstairs. However, the large outdoor seating area more than makes up for it, comfortably accommodating around 30 guests. While the outdoor scenery isn't anything to write home about, it still provides a great space to enjoy a pint in the warmer months, and I can imagine the vibe here would be fantastic during the summer.

Taproom Review

Gravity Well also hosts a range of events at their tap room throughout the year, so make sure to check out their socials for updates on what's coming next.

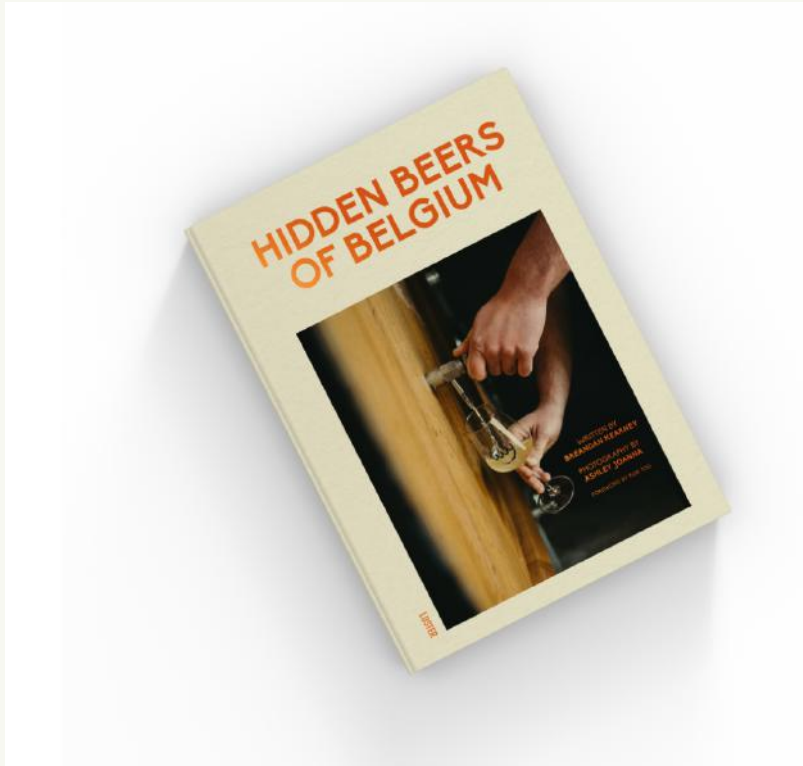


All things considered, Gravity Well Tap Room offers a relaxed, comfortable space to enjoy a great selection of craft beers. With its diverse beer selection, friendly vibe, and regular events, it's a must-visit for local craft beer enthusiasts.



The Podcast with Breandán Kearney

You can listen to the Podcast by downloading through the normal channels, including Apple and Spotify from 4am Monday.



EPISODE 221 - THE HIDDEN BEERS OF BELGIUM



We are delighted to welcome to the podcast Breandán Kearney from Belgian Smaak, talking about his new book, "Hidden Beers Of Belgium"

"A passport to the great beer of Belgium..."

"Who better to take you through Belgian beer and culture? This is a passport to the great beer of Belgium."

<http://www.belgiansmaak.com/>

[LISTEN HERE](#)

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.

Fizz The Season

7% Mimosa IPA

By Vocation Brewery

Although we are not quite in the Festive Season yet, Vocation have got in early with this beer.

Uncork the festive spirit with this soft and juicy New England IPA. Classic hop-forward flavours of an IPA blend with blood & Valencia oranges to deliver the zesty, citrusy charm of a Mimosa.





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22-23 NOVEMBER 2024

IPSWICH CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

The Baths, Civic Drive, Ipswich IPI 2AX

<https://wegottickets.com/f/13582>

24-25 JANUARY 2025

CHESTER CRAFT BEER EXPO

Garret Theatre, Hunter St, Chester CHI 2AR

<https://shorturl.at/7DwmC>

10-12 APRIL 2025

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Between The Bridges, London SE1

<https://www.brewldn.com/>

12 APRIL 2025

ABERDEEN BEER FESTIVAL

Music Hall, Union St, Aberdeen AB10 IQS

<https://shorturl.at/iWgQZ>



2-3 MAY 2025

AWAKENING '25

St Johns Church, Forton Rd, Gosport PO12 4TQ

<https://shorturl.at/XfV8e>

16-17 MAY 2025

MANCHESTER CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

Depot Mayfield, Manchester

<https://linktr.ee/manchestercraftbeerfestival>

16-17 MAY 2025

HOP CITY 2025

The Old Flax Store, Marshall St, Leeds LS11 9YJ

<https://www.universe.com/events/hop-city-2025-tickets-6FNG7B>

29-31 MAY 2025

CRAFT BEER EXPO 2025

Black Lodge Brewery, 3 Kings Dock Street, Liverpool LI 8JU

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/craft-beer-expo-ltd-3248880072>

6-7 JUNE 2025

MANCHESTER CRAFT BREW FESTIVAL

Victoria Warehouse, Trafford Wharf Road, Manchester M17 1AB

<https://craftbrewfestival.co.uk/manchester>

13-14 JUNE 2025

BRISTOL CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

Lloyds Amphitheatre, Harbourside Bristol

<https://linktr.ee/bcbf>

20-21 JUNE 2025

NOTTINGHAM CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

Sneinton Market, Nottingham NG1

<https://shorturl.at/bOKxQ>

18-19 JULY 2025

LONDON CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

Tobacco Dock, Tobacco Quay, Wapping Lane, London E1W 2SF

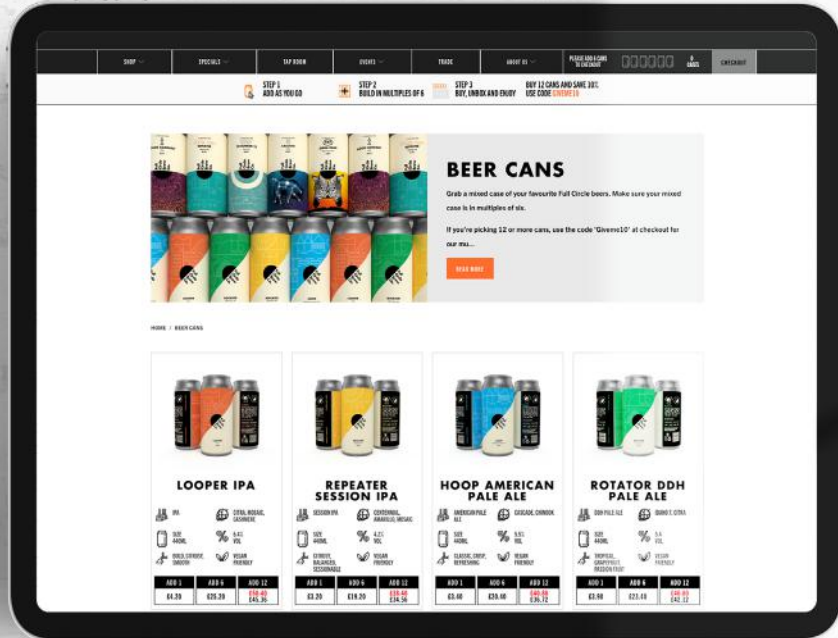
<https://londoncraftbeerfestival.co.uk/>





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Beers That Belong - Brewed From Nature With Purpose

<https://shop.durationbeer.com/>

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<https://villagesbrewery.com/collections/buy-beer>

Standard shipping £6.99


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Fresh & Funky From the Suffolk Countryside

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Holy Goat Brewing

Specialising in the Production of Mixed Fermentation & Wood Aged Beers

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<https://52degreesbrewing.com/pages/purchase-beer>


 Standard shipping £5.99



Pomona Island Brew Co.

Award Winning Brewery Based In Salford

<https://www.pomonaislandbrew.co.uk/shop>


 Standard shipping £6.00



Attic Brew Co.

Forward Thinking Beers

<https://atticbrewco.com/collections/beer>

 Free delivery for orders over £35


Webshop Directory...



Polly's Brew Co.

Ultra Fresh, Hop-Forward, Modern Beers

<https://pollysbrew.co/shop/>


 Free shipping for orders over £60



Amity Brew Co.

Community, Friendship and Good beer!

<https://www.amitybrew.co/shop>


 Free shipping on orders over £45



Wilderness Brewery

Wild Little Beers From Mid Wales

<https://www.wildernessbrew.co.uk/shop>


 Standard shipping £8 or click and collect



Moot Brew Co.

Brewing Hop Forward Beers in the Heart of Kent

<https://mootbrew.co.uk/collections/all>


 Free shipping on orders over £60



Exale Brewery

We're Exale. Home of the Wild, Weird and Wonderful

<https://shop.exalebrew.co.uk/>


 Free shipping for orders over £30



Crossover Blendery

Modern, Flavour-Forward Beers Rooted In Tradition

<https://crossoverblendery.co.uk/collections/beers>


 Standard shipping £8.99



Mondo Brewing Co.

All Things Point South West

<https://shop.mondobeer.com/>

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Webshop Directory...



Anspach & Hobday

A London Brewery Making Traditional Beers in a Modern Way

<https://www.anspachandhobday.com/shop>


 Free shipping for orders over £60



Bullhouse Brew Co.

Independent Craft Brewery Based in Belfast

<https://bullhousebrewco.com/collections/beer>


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Neon Raptor Brewing Co.

Midlands Based Microbrewery Producing Top Quality Beers

<https://neonraptorbrewingco.com/collections/beer>


 Free shipping on orders of 12 cans or more



Track Brewing Co.

Beers Born From Adventure

<https://www.trackbrewing.co/collections/buybeer>


 Free shipping for orders over £60



71 Brewing Co.

Engineers of Beers, Brewed in Scotland

<https://71brewing.com/collections/all>


 Standard shipping £5.99



Hammerton Brewery

Proudly Brewing Great Beer in London N7

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 Free shipping for orders over £48



Vibrant Forest Brewery

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Sureshot Brewing

High Quality, Small Batch - From the Beating Belly of Manchester

<https://sureshotbrew.com/shop/>


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Carnival Brewing Co.

Celebrating Modern Beer

<https://carnivalbrewing.me/collections/cans-bottles>


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Electric Bear Brewing Co.

Craft Beer That Delivers on that 'glad-to-be-alive' Vibe

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Tartarus Beers

Brewing Small Batch Craft Beer, With a Mythical Edge

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Vaux Brewery

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Hackney Brewery

A Small, Independent Craft Brewery in London

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Bayonet Brewing

Modern, Exciting and Innovative Beers

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Time & Tide Brewing

Independent Brewery, Producing Hop Forward, Progressive Beers

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Stannary Brewing Co.

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Wild Horse Brewing Co.

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<https://www.merakaibrewing.com/shop>


 Free shipping for orders over £60



Small Batch Brewing Co.

Making Good Beer For Great People

<https://www.smallbatchbrewing.co.uk/shop/>


 Standard shipping £7.20



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<https://hammertonbrewery.shop/>

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Webshop Directory...



Wylam Brewery

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<https://beerstore.wylambrewery.co.uk/>


 Standard shipping £6.99



Runaway Brewery

Handmade, Modern British Beer

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 Standard shipping £6.50



Pillars Brewery

Home of Lager - Brewed in East London

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Pipeline Brewing

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