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The Next Chapter Begins!

With Rob's podcast wrapping up after an incredible 5 years and 225 episodes, we are ready to fill that void with something fresh and exciting! Starting next week, we will be introducing a brand-new weekly feature spotlighting some of the small UK craft breweries we absolutely love. Expect the inside scoop on their latest brews, upcoming projects, and what makes them so special.

But that's not all! We'll also be brewing up a 'Hop Of The Week' feature plus some other tasty content that's still in the pipeline. Stick with us as we continue celebrating craft beer at its finest!

The TWICB Team has already secured tickets for a bunch of Craft Beer Festivals in 2025—so keep an eye out for us and make sure to stop by and say hi!

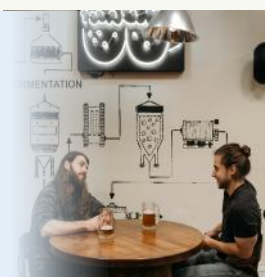
Cheers to new beginnings and great beers!

– The TWICB Team

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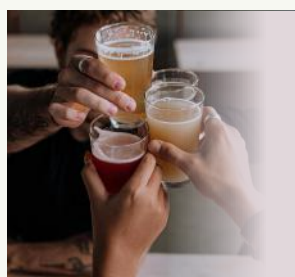
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Guinness To Rise 4.25%

The UK hospitality sector is up in arms this week, as Diageo announced a 4.2% price increase, whilst arrogantly claiming their already-overpriced, bland stout is a "significant footfall generator".

Any Freehouses who are tired of Diageo's bullshit should contact Anspach & Hobday at the link on the right, to talk about getting in their vastly superior London Black as a replacement.

[READ THE ARTICLE](#)

[LONDON BLACK](#)

Single Origin Farm Beer

At Beervana this week, Jeff Alworth looks at a new beer produced by Alesong, which takes hyper-local to a whole new level. Single Origin is a single farm beer, with the barley, hops and even the Riesling grapes used in the spontaneous fermentation all sourced from a single Oregon farm.

[READ THE ARTICLE](#)



First Beer Garden Session of the Year

No one in the UK covers the beer scene quite as well as Boak & Bailey. This week saw them brave the March weather for their traditional first beer garden visit of the year.

[READ THE ARTICLE](#)

20 US Breweries to Watch

Finally this week, Vinepair have a nice glossy article looking at 20 US Breweries to Watch in 2025. Some new names here, as well as some that have been around for a good while, such as Maplewood in Chicago, which has been one of TWICB Rob's US favourites getting on for a decade.

[READ THE ARTICLE](#)



Beer of the Week

Psychedelic Dragonfly

7.2% IPA

by Azvex Brewing



A deliciously yellow IPA that tastes as good as it looks!
Dry hopped with Simcoe, Mosaic & Motueka.

[BUY IT HERE](#)

Taproom Review



STEVE P
TWICB CO-FOUNDER

Burnt Mill X Hopsters Taproom

Whisstocks place, Tide Mill, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP12 1FP

Located in the picturesque town of Woodbridge on the east side of Suffolk, the newly opened taproom by Burnt Mill Brewery and Hopsters is yet another reason to visit this charming riverside spot. A collaboration between the acclaimed Burnt Mill Brewery and the Hopsters chain of independent craft beer stores, this taproom brings a fresh buzz to the town's social scene.



Location & Atmosphere

Situated close to the town centre and right by the lovely River Deben, the taproom occupies a bright and inviting space, sharing a sun-drenched open area with the Boathouse Restaurant next door.

The shiny new building features floor-to-ceiling windows on two sides, allowing natural light to flood in and making the space feel more expansive than it actually is. Inside, the taproom is fitted with communal long tables and benches, encouraging a relaxed and social atmosphere. For those who prefer to take in the fresh air and riverside views, plenty of similar seating is available outside.

Taproom Review

Beer Selection

The wooden bar is a striking centrepiece, offering eight keg taps pouring the freshest Burnt Mill beers. Alongside core favourites like the Pentle Pale Ale and Helles Lager, the lineup on our visit showcased a range of hazy IPAs (or "Fog IPAs" as Burnt Mill refers to them), a robust porter, a strong ale, and a bitter. For those seeking even more variety, a well-stocked fridge provides additional options. It's clear that the focus here is on quality and freshness, with something to suit every palate.



Overall Impression

The taproom's advertising proudly claims, "The greatest bottle shop and the best brewery in the East join forces to bring you the best bar you could ask for!"—and, honestly, it's hard to disagree. With its excellent beer selection, welcoming atmosphere, and stunning riverside location, this taproom is a must-visit for craft beer enthusiasts exploring Suffolk.



Taproom Review

Whether you're a local or just passing through, make sure to stop by for a pint (or two) and soak in the relaxed vibe and beautiful surroundings—trust us, you won't be disappointed!



Monday & Tuesday: Closed
Wednesday & Thursday: 17:00 – 22:00
Friday & Saturday: 12:00 – 22:00
Sunday: 12:00 – 20:00



The Podcast with Farewell Podcast

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



EPISODE 225 -TWICB FAREWELL PODCAST / PHANTOM BREWING

We know we featured this last week, but since it was Rob's GRAND FAREWELL PODCAST, we couldn't resist giving it another shout-out! If you missed it, now's your chance to catch up – trust us, it's worth a listen!

Join Rob and Phantom co-owner Dane as they raise more than a few incredible Phantom beers to bid a boozy farewell to TWICB - The Podcast. Huge thanks to all the fantastic guests who've graced the show over the past five years. But most importantly, a massive cheers to you – our loyal listeners! Your praise and feedback have been the fuel (and probably half the reason Rob kept going!).

And hey, if you happen to spot Rob and Steve rocking their TWICB t-shirts at Craft Beer Festivals across the UK, don't be shy – come say hi!

[LISTEN HERE](#)

Website: <https://thisweekincraft.beer/>

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.

Pan Galactic Gargle Blaster

10.9% Imperial Belgian Style IPA

By Short's Brewing Co.

One would think there would be a mention of the late, great Douglas Adams in the brewing notes - but apparently not!

A Double Belgian IPA brewed exclusively with Galaxy hops. The nose is an impressive blend of citrus aromas reminiscent of guava and lemons, very green and fresh with subtle Belgian yeast esters.



UK Craft Beer Festivals



15 MARCH 2025

WAREHOUSE BEER FESTIVAL

Staggeringly Good Brewery, Unit 10 St George's Ind Est Southsea PO4 8SS

<https://shorturl.at/N9Cuw>

15 MARCH 2025

PAISLEY BEER FESTIVAL

Thomas Coats Memorial Church, High Street, Paisley, PA1 2BA

<https://www.ticketebo.co.uk/ttdb/paisley-craft-beer-fest-2025>

29 MARCH 2025

CHELMSFORD CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

Chelmsford Social Club, 55 Springfield Rd, Chelmsford, CM2 6JG

<https://chelmsfordcraftbeerfestival.com/>

4-5 APRIL 2025

CASTLE BEER FEST

Nottingham Castle

<https://castlebeerfest.com/>





10-12 APRIL 2025

BREW//LDN

Between The Bridges, London SE1

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

12 APRIL 2025

ABERDEEN BEER FESTIVAL

Music Hall, Union St, Aberdeen AB10 1QS

<https://shorturl.at/iWgQZ>

25-26 APRIL 2025

STAGE CRAFT FESTIVAL

21 South Street, Reading RG1 4QU

<https://shorturl.at/SO3uD>

2-3 MAY 2025

AWAKENING '25

St Johns Church, Forton Rd, Gosport PO12 4TQ

<https://shorturl.at/XfV8e>

3-4 MAY 2025

FROM THE LAND BEER FESTIVAL

Acklington Park Farm, Northumberland NE65 9AA

<https://shorturl.at/A3sda>

3-4 MAY 2025

NORWICH CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

The Waterfront, Norwich

<https://shorturl.at/jXo7v>

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>

26-29 JUNE 2025

NEXT GEN BEER FESTIVAL

St Mary's Works, St Marys Plain, Norwich NR3 3AF

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

18-19 JULY 2025

LONDON CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

Magazine London, 11 Ordnance Cres, London SE10 0JH

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

26 JULY 2025

LITTLE SUMMER BEER BASH

Verdant, Unit 30 Parkengue, Kernick Industrial Estate, Penryn TR10 9EP

<https://tinyurl.com/3p3tv7kb>

9-10 AUGUST 2025

THESE HILLS 2025

Glynde Place, Lewes, East Sussex, BN8 6SX

<https://tinyurl.com/28msnc5p>





15-16 AUGUST 2025

NORTHALLERTON CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

The Golden Lion Hotel, Northallerton DL7 8PP

www.buytickets.at/ncbf

28-30 AUGUST 2025

FARM TRIP 2025

Home Farm, Horrobin Lane Rivington, PR6 9HE

[TICKETS ON SALE 28 MARCH](#)

24-25 OCTOBER 2025

RISING TIDE CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

Canterbury Cathedral Lodge, Canterbury, Kent

<https://www.timeandtidebrewing.co.uk/events>

25 OCTOBER 2025

THE BIG SWALLY

O2 Academy, Edinburgh

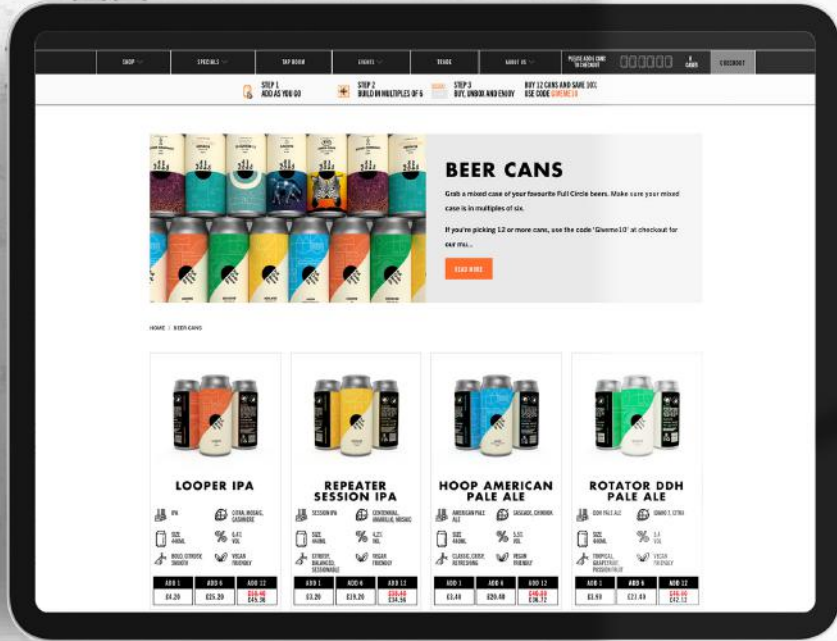
[TICKETS ON SALE 1 MARCH](#)





Webshops

FEATURED WEBSHOP



Craft beer direct to your fridge



Full Circle Brew Co.

Craft Brewery & Taproom

<https://www.fullcirclebrew.co.uk/collections/all-beer>

Free national delivery over £50



Duration Brewing Beer Shop

Beers That Belong - Brewed From Nature With Purpose

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

Free delivery over £50



Villages Brewery

Bringing People Together

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

Standard shipping £6.99


Webshop Directory...



Little Earth Project

Fresh & Funky From the Suffolk Countryside

<https://littleearthproject.myshopify.com/>


 Free shipping for orders over £80



Holy Goat Brewing

Specialising in the Production of Mixed Fermentation & Wood Aged Beers

<https://holygoat.beer/shop/>


 Free shipping for orders over £39



Vault City Brewing

Modern Sour Beer With a Focus on Fruit Forward Flavours

<https://vaultcity.co.uk/collections/all-beers>


 Free shipping for orders over £50



UnBarred Brewery

Made of Brighton

<https://www.unbarredbrewery.com/collections/unbarred-shop>


 Free delivery for orders over £50



52 Degrees Brewing (10% discount code: 10forTWICB)

Grasshopper & Warwickshire Beers – All flowing together

<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/>

 Free shipping for orders over £75


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>


 Free shipping for orders over £50



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

<https://hammertombrewery.shop/>


 Free shipping for orders over £48



Vibrant Forest Brewery

Our Passion is to Brew Modern Beers Packed With Flavour

<https://www.vibrantforest.co.uk/>

 Free shipping for orders over £60


Webshop Directory...



Sureshot Brewing

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

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


 Free shipping for orders over £60



Carnival Brewing Co.

Celebrating Modern Beer

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


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Electric Bear Brewing Co.

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

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


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Round Corner Brewing

Uncommonly Good Beer

<https://roundcornerbrewing.com/pages/ranges>


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Tartarus Beers

Brewing Small Batch Craft Beer, With a Mythical Edge

<https://www.tartarusbeers.co.uk/collections/beer>


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Beak Brewery

Life-affirming Ales

<https://beakbrewery.com/>


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Only With Love - 10% Discount code: TWICB-OWLove

Togetherness on Tap

<https://www.onlywithlove.co/>

 Free shipping for orders over £55


Webshop Directory...



Lost Pier Brewing

Independent Nomadic Brewer Based in Sussex

<https://www.lostpier.com/online-store>


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Vaux Brewery

Independent Craft Brewery in Sunderland

<https://www.vaux.beer/collections/webshop>


 Free shipping for orders over £60



Hackney Brewery

A Small, Independent Craft Brewery in London

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


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Bayonet Brewing

Modern, Exciting and Innovative Beers

<https://bayonet-brewing.square.site/s/shop>


 Standard shipping £6.50



Padstow Brewing Co.

Multi Award Winning Craft Brewery

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


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Zapato Brewery

Add any 12 Zapato beers to your cart for an automatic 10% discount

<https://zapatobrewing.com/>


 Free shipping on orders over £60



Time & Tide Brewing

Independent Brewery, Producing Hop Forward, Progressive Beers

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

 Free shipping on orders over £50


Webshop Directory...

Stannary Brewing Co.



Producers of Flavoured, Modern Beers in the Heart of West Devon

<https://stannarybrewing.shop/>


 Free shipping for orders over £30

Wild Horse Brewing Co.



Fresh, Forward Thinking, Beer

<https://wildhorsebrewing.co.uk/collections/beer-cans>


 Free shipping for orders over £60

Pastore Brewing & Blending



We Make Fresh Super-Fruited Sours & Barrel Aged Blended Wild Ales

<https://pastore-brewing.myshopify.com/collections/all>


 Standard shipping £5.99

Liquid Light Brewing Co.



Vegan Craft Beers Inspired By a Love For Music

<https://liquidlightbrewco.shop/>


 Free shipping for orders over £50

Merakai Brewing Co.



Crafted With Purpose

<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

Hammerton Brewery



Proudly Brewing Great Beer in London N7

<https://hammertonbrewery.shop/>

 Free shipping on orders over £48


Webshop Directory...



Wylam Brewery

Micro Brewery - Tap Room - Events Space

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


 Standard shipping £6.99



Runaway Brewery

Handmade, Modern British Beer

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


 Standard shipping £6.50



Pillars Brewery

Home of Lager - Brewed in East London

<https://www.pillarsbrewery.com/collections/beer-boxes>


 Free shipping for orders over £80



Pipeline Brewing

Hazy, Hop-Forward Beers

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


 Free shipping for orders over £60



State of Kind Brew Co.

Making the World Better One Beer at a Time

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


 Free shipping for orders over £45



Bottle & Jug Dept.

Craft Beer, Traditional Cider, Spirits, Natural and Organic Wine

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


 Free shipping for orders over £95



Double-Barrelled Brewery - 10% Discount code: TWICB

A modern, independent brewery based in Reading, Berkshire

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

 Free shipping for orders over £50
