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CRAF 2016 Festival Special



Featured Brewers

This year's event will feature 7 featured brewers and we'll have extended ranges from them. We hope you'll enjoy the ales from:



Brass Castle,
Malton



Bristol Beer
Factory



Dark Star,
Partridge Green



Oakham,
Peterborough



Purity,
Great Alne



Saltaire,
Shipley



Tiny Rebel,
Newport

Over 100 beers and ciders!

Beer will be available in the Main Hall. The Drawing Room will host the cider bar and craft ale, available in cans. Please visit our website for the latest beer and cider listings.

Beer and cider prices

Beers and ciders will be priced according to their ABV and are available in either 1/3 or 1/2 pints. No cash will be taken at the bars, so you'll need to purchase a £5 token card beforehand.

Volunteers Still Required!

Fancy helping at the 2nd CRAF? If you'd like to volunteer, then please visit our on-line sign-up page, before 14th August, at www.cheltenhamcamra.org.uk/craf/volunteers/



The secret's out.
#CRAF2016

Cheltie presents the:
CHELTHENHAM REAL ALE FESTIVAL 2016
BEER | CIDER | LIVE MUSIC | TOMBOLA

on the August bank holiday weekend

Friday 26th: 17:00-23:00
Saturday 27th: 12:00-23:00
Sunday 28th: 12:00-22:00

at Cheltenham Town Hall

ALL TICKETS ON THE DOOR: £7 entry & glass (£5 with CAMRA card)

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Our Sponsors

The CRAF 2016 Festival Committee would like to thank the following sponsors:



Festival glasses



Festival t-shirts

Token Aid for Charity

Your unused tokens can be donated to Token Aid, which this year is supporting Cheltenham based **Cobalt**, a medical charity providing the very best diagnostic imaging services and support to people with cancer, dementia and other conditions in Cheltenham and beyond.



Tickets

Tickets are only available on the door. The £7 entry fee is reduced to £5 for CAMRA members and includes your festival tankard.

Under-18s

Please note that due to licensing restrictions, no one under the age of 18 will be admitted to the festival. We will be operating "Challenge 21".



Beer of the Festival

Your vote counts! As with last year, there'll be an interactive text voting system, so you can select your beer or cider of the festival in real time. Details of how to vote will be shown on the Hall's display screens.

Allergen information

This information will be available at the membership stand and contained within the festival programme.

Entertainment

You'll find this in the Pillar Room. Please see our website for the full listing.

Festival food

Food at the festival will be provided by The Town Hall's catering franchise. A range of hot, cold and vegetarian options will be available. You are free of course, to bring your own.

No Smoking!

Please note that the Town Hall and the external marquee are non-smoking areas. This includes the use of electronic cigarettes. A gazebo will be provided for those that need it.



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Ale Ambles

Please note that this month's Ale Amble will take place on a Tuesday, due to the proposed visit to the GBBF in the same week. The trip to Teignmouth on the 9th August, departs from the rail station at 10:26.

GBBF Visit



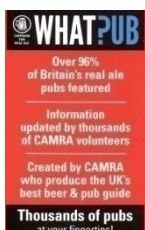
On Thursday 11th August, you can warm up for CRAF by visiting the Great British Beer Festival on the annual county pilgrimage to London. Steve Merrett will once again be running the coach with departures from Cheltenham (Town Hall and Benhall pick-ups) and Gloucester (rail station forecourt). Contact Steve on 07941 419841 if you'd like to join us.



What Pub – Beer Scoring



A reminder that if you want to help influence what pubs appear in the next edition of The Good Beer Guide, then you can enter your beer scores using the What Pub website. Log on using your normal CAMRA log-in credentials and score away!



Have You Changed Your Address?

We've been informed by CAMRA HQ that several copies of What's Brewing have been returned from our branch area due to the members no longer living at the address they have registered with them. You're potentially also missing out on other benefits like your Wetherspoons vouchers! If you have moved, then either please contact CAMRA HQ or do it online by logging in to the members section of the national website and updating your details.

Local and Regional Vacancies

Within the Branch, we have a number of vacancies for Brewery Liaison Officers (BLOs). It's not an onerous task, just regular contact with the brewery, acting as a conduit between it and CAMRA. You'll need to supply quarterly reports to the regional Brewery Liaison Coordinator on what's been happening and keep the information that appears in the GBG up to date. If you're interested, please let the Branch Chair know and he'll provide you with more details.

Further afield, there's also a vacancy of a Deputy Regional Director – reporting directly to our South West Regional Director, Gareth MacDonald. As he's based in the north east of the region, ideally the candidate would be based 'down south', but if you're interested, again contact our Branch Chair [chair\[at\]cheltenhamcamra.org.uk](mailto:chair[at]cheltenhamcamra.org.uk).

Pub, Club and Other News

- We've heard that the LocAle and ACV listed **Old Restoration** has changed ownership. **Butcombe Brewery**, who already own **The Frog & Fiddle** have purchased its freehold from the current owners, who issued an 'Intention to Dispose' Notice on 21st June. It closed briefly for a minor rebranding. We wait to see what effect it will have on the LocAle status, as the pub had one of the largest selections of local brews in the town.
- The Ember Inns owned **Greatfield** is soon to have new licensees, as the current occupants are moving to Bristol.
- The **Sup & Chow** (ex **Brown Jug**) in Bath Road, is scheduled to reopen on 3rd August following a refurbishment.
- The pub formerly known as **The Quaich**, will also reopen later in the year as a gastropub called **The Bottle of Sauce!**
- **The Russell Arms** has closed pending its redevelopment / refurbishment. The latest planning application, submitted earlier this year would see the pub refurbished and a redevelopment of the upper floors into apartments. No decision has yet been made on this application. The owner recently reopened the nearby **Beaufort Arms**.
- **Late Night Levy gone?** We reported in June that Cheltenham BC would consider removing the controversial LNL following the introduction of the Business Improvement District for central Cheltenham. It has been confirmed that pending no objections, the LNL will cease on 31st March 2017.
- To coincide with **CRAF 2016**, one of its sponsors, **Brewerism**, are offering 20% off tours booked during August. From September, CAMRA members can get a 10% discount on production of their membership card. Further details are available on their website at www.brewerism.co.uk.

Brewery News

				
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- ❖ Deya Brewing have now expanded the range of craft beers brewed on their premises. You can now enjoy an Oatmeal Stout alongside their signature American Pale Ale. Their taproom is open every Friday.
- ❖ Congratulations to **Battledown**, who's 7.2% ABV **Battledown Black** won the stouts and porters category in the Gloucestershire beer-of-the-year competition at the Cotswold Beer Festival, held at Postlip. Congratulations too, to **Cotswold Lion**, who won the Best Bitter category with its 3.6% ABV **Shepherd's Delight**. The overall winner was Gloucester Brewery's Demi God.
- ❖ Not a brewery, but a local(ish) cider maker, Dunkertons Organic, will be moving into our area during August. Currently based in Leominster, they are moving into larger premises on the Barlands Industrial estate, just east of Charlton



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Kings on the A40. The planning application for a change of use of the new premises can be seen at CBC Ref: 16/01006/COU.

Cheers!
CAMRA Cheltenham Branch

The following establishments are currently offering a CAMRA discount

The small print: Please note that you must present your CAMRA membership card at time of purchase and that these discounts are at the discretion of the licensee and are subject to change

Battledown Brewery	10% discount on all off-sales	The Plough, Prestbury	10% off all real ales on Wednesdays
Brewhouse & Kitchen	10% off pints or half's everyday	The Restoration	10% off. On Mondays all ales are £2.00
Favourite Beers	10% off all cash purchases	Sandford Park Alehouse	10% off all real ale and cider on Mondays
Feathered Fish	On Mondays, real ales are £2.50	The Spectre	On Tuesdays, all real ales are £2.50
The Greatfield	20p off ales every day. On Monday they're £2.49.	Wetherspoons (Both)	On Mondays, customers get 20p off a pint

Events

Sun 31st Jul **CRAF 2016 Volunteers BBQ, Sandford Park Alehouse, from 12:00pm.**

Tue 9th Aug **Ale Amble to Teignmouth. See website for details.**

Thu 11th Aug **Gloucestershire CAMRAs annual pilgrimage to the GBBF. Details above.**

26th-28th Aug **CRAF 2016. Volunteers still required – bar and non-bar work available.**

Listing correct at time of publication. Official CAMRA events in bold. Please check our website for the latest info.



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