

A&W CAMRA Calling October 2023

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Branch Events in October

Tuesday 3 October and Wednesday 4 October Ayrshire Real Ale Festival (ARAF) Set-up

Troon Concert Hall; 09:00 - 17:00 both days

This only applies to those who have volunteered to assist.

Thursday 5 – Saturday 7 October 22nd ARAF

Troon Concert Hall; Thursday 12:00 – 11:00; Friday 11:00 – 23:00; Saturday 11:00 – 22:00

Many of you have volunteered as staff, and others are strongly encouraged to come along and support our flagship event. Over 100 real ales and 25 real ciders are on offer.

Sunday 8 October/Monday 9 October ARAF Take-down

Troon Concert Hall

Again, this only applies to those who have volunteered to assist.

Tuesday 17 October South Ayrshire Social

Prestwick Pioneer, 87 Main St, Prestwick, KA9 1JS; 14:00

Primarily targeted at members residing in South Ayrshire, but members from other areas of the branch are equally welcome.

Thursday 19 October North Ayrshire Social

Village Inn, 46 Bay St, Fairlie, KA29 0AL; 19:30

Again, primarily targeted at members residing in North Ayrshire, but members from other areas of the branch are equally welcome.

Wednesday 25 October East Ayrshire Social

Wheatsheaf Inn, 70 Portland St, Kilmarnock, KA1 1JG; 19:00

Again, primarily targeted at members residing in East Ayrshire, but members from other areas of the branch are equally welcome.

Thursday 26 October-Saturday 28 October Carlisle Beer Festival

Organised by Solway CAMRA Branch, but some of our members are in the habit of attending.

See <https://events.camra.org.uk/events/79500> for details.

Saturday 28 October Ayrshire Real Ale Festival Volunteers Social

Twa Dugs, 71 Main St, West Kilbride, KA23 9AW; 13:00

Again, this only applies to those who have volunteered to assist at the festival and have registered to attend.

South Ayrshire Festive Lunch

This will be in **Wellingtons Bar, Ayr** on **Sunday, 3 December 2023** at **14:00**.

The menu is £20 for 3 courses:

Starters

Pate (served with side salad, oatcakes and chutney)

Traditional Prawn Cocktail

Lentil Soup

Mains

Turkey

Roast Beef

(both served with traditional accompaniments)

Deserts

Christmas Pudding (served with brandy sauce)

Chocolate Fudge Cream (served with double cream)

Lemon Roulade (served with cream)

Places must be booked via Donald Clark mound_spotter@yahoo.co.uk by **Tuesday 31 October**, stating your menu choices and any special requirements, allergies, etc.

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North Ayrshire Festive Lunch

This will be in the **Twa Dugs, West Kilbride** on **Wednesday, 13 December** at **13:30**. Primarily targeted at members residing in North Ayrshire, but members from other areas of the branch are equally welcome. Bookings to and further details from Ian Middleditch north-ayrshire@awvcamra.org.uk

Good Beer Guide (GBG) 2024

Copies of CAMRA's annual flagship publication will be available for purchase at ARAF. Prices are Festival Staff £12, other CAMRA members £13.99, non-members £16.99. Thereafter, any surplus copies will be available to members attending socials in October at the discounted £12 price.

Champion Beer of Britain (CBOB) Nominations

Online voting for beers to be included in the 2024 heats is now open and runs until 31 October. The voting site can be accessed at [VOTE FOR CBOB](#)

Please don't be put off by the complexity of the voting process. Just find beers you have heard of, and like, and vote for them.

In 2021 and 2022 our branch was the best performing in the UK, both in terms of the number of members voting and the percentage of our members voting. Thank you to those who have already voted, but for the rest of you, please let us strive hard to gain a repeat of this accolade.

Full Pints Advertising

The viability of our award-winning magazine *Full Pints* is dependant in advertising income covering production and distribution costs. To this end, we are always on the lookout for new advertisers. If you are aware of any business, doesn't have to be real ale related, who might like to advertise in our magazine, please supply details to our Advertising Manager Janis Wood

advertising@awcamra.org.uk

Branch Code of Conduct

This applies to all events.

Our wish is for everyone to enjoy themselves and have fun on our trips and events. However please remember that organisers have only volunteered to arrange times and/or travel arrangements and to provide information about the venue(s). CAMRA promotes responsible drinking and so excessive drinking will not be tolerated on CAMRA outings. Members should not behave in any manner that may bring the Campaign into disrepute. Any member doing so may be barred from future events. You are responsible for your own safety and wellbeing. If you have an existing medical condition that requires support you must bring your own backup/carer with you.