

# A&W CAMRA Calling May 2024

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## Branch Events in May (and early June)

### **Saturday, 11 May Scottish Branches AGM and Quarterly Meeting**

**Callum's, 26 High Street, Johnstone, PA5 8AH; 13:30**

All those interested are encouraged to attend. The very short AGM will commence at 13:30, and the quarterly meeting will follow on from that.

### **Monday, 13 May Committee Meeting**

**Harbour Bar, 169-173 Templehill, Troon, KA10 6BH; 20:00**

This is obviously targeted at the branch committee, but any interested member is welcome to sit in.

### **Thursday, 16 May North Ayrshire Social**

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

Targeted at members residing in North Ayrshire, but those from other areas of the branch are equally welcome.

### **Monday, 20 May Beer Festival Planning Meeting**

**Twa Dugs, 71 Main Street, West Kilbride, KA23 9AW; 19:45**

All those interested in helping to plan our flagship event, the Ayrshire Real Ale Festival, are encouraged to attend.

### **Tuesday, 21 May South Ayrshire Social**

**Harbour Bar, 169-173 Templehill, Troon, KA10 6BH; 14:00**

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

### **Tuesday, 21 May - Friday 24 May East Ayrshire Trip to Chester**

Details from Alex Burt [east-ayrshire@awcamra.org.uk](mailto:east-ayrshire@awcamra.org.uk)

### **Wednesday, 29 May East Ayrshire Social**

**First Edition, 50 Bank Street, Kilmarnock, KA1 1HA; 19:30**

Targeted at members residing in East Ayrshire, but those from other areas of the branch are equally welcome.

### **Saturday, 1 June Branch Social**

**Brown Bull, 33 Main Street, Lochwinnoch, PA12 4AH; 2pm**

A joint social with Renfrewshire Branch to which all members are encouraged to attend.

## Full Pints – National Magazine of the Year

At CAMRA's recent National Members' Weekend in Dundee, our Branch magazine *Full Pints* was declared National Magazine of the Year for 2024. This is the third time our magazine has been awarded this accolade. Congratulations to the Editor, Stuart McMahon, Advertising Manager Janis Wood, and all who contributed.

## Scottish Branches

As Northern Ireland is now a separate CAMRA Region, Scotland and Northern Ireland Branches (SNIB) is no more. We are now Scottish Branches (SCOTB), and the Scotland & Northern Ireland Director (SNID), currently Stuart McMahon, is now the Scottish Director (SCOTD).

## 50 Years of CAMRA in Scotland

### 50th Anniversary Pub Trail Challenge

The challenge is to visit 50 real ale pubs during 2024. This will take the form of a 4-tier award, i.e. bronze, silver, gold, and platinum.

- Bronze - Visit any 50 real ale pubs.
- Silver - Visit 50 Good Beer Guide (GBG) 2024 pubs from any of the Scottish GBG Counties\*.
- Gold - Visit 50 GBG 2024 pubs from 10 of the Scottish GBG Counties\*
- Platinum – Visit 5 pubs from each of 10 Scottish GBG Counties in the 2024 GBG.

\*A GBG county is a section of the GBG. So, for example, Ayrshire & Arran is a GBG county.

To participate in the challenge, you must download the appropriate form from the branch website at <https://awcamra.org.uk/50th-anniversary/>. You are also encouraged to score your beers on the National Beer Scoring System (NBSS).

## Glasgow Real Ale Festival (GRAF)

Organised by CAMRA's Glasgow & West of Scotland Branch, this will be held in The Briggait, 141 Bridgegate, Glasgow, G1 5HZ, from Thursday, 6 June to Saturday, 8 June. Details can be found at <https://g-raf.camra.org.uk/>

## Full Pints Advertising

The viability of our award-winning magazine, *Full Pints*, is dependent on 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, which 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](mailto: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 well-being. If you have an existing medical condition that requires support, you must bring your own backup/carer with you.