

Cairngorm Brewery Awarded Supreme Champion

A small local brewery in the Highlands are celebrating with a pint...or two, after receiving a national accolade with their Scottish style stout, Black Gold.

A week after winning their CAMRA region “Beer of the Year” with Black Gold, the Cairngorm Brewery won “Supreme Champion Beer of the Year” at the SIBA (Society of Independent Breweries) Annual conference in Stratford-upon-Avon on Friday the 6th March.

Against 55 finalist Beers from 7 national regions, the prestigious award recognised the Aviemore based firms’ dedication to producing quality beers, using well-established brewing methods and traditional recipes.

Since 2001 the Cairngorm Brewery has developed ales using both old and new malt and hop varieties with a few new twists. “Having been brewing for 20 years, I am keen to keep traditional beers alive, as well as brewing new and interesting styles,” says Sean Tomlinson, Head Brewer. “We are delighted to win this title with one of our beers, it is an honour to receive this award from our brewing industry and I am very proud of what our team has achieved”.

Cairngorm has a full range of permanent and seasonal cask beers to suit all tastes and eight of its products are available throughout the year in 500ml bottles. From the rich dark stout, Black Gold to a light bodied continental style, the beers cover a wide range of flavours and tastes.

The brewery’s cask ales can now be found in public houses as the “guest ale” nationally and in Scotland their bottles can be found in independent retailers, pubs, restaurants, Tescos, Sainsburys, Waitrose and Local Co-ops. The website offers 20 mixed bottles delivered nationally by courier in a matter of days. In December 2008 Cairngorm was pleased to receive approval from the Vegetarian Society for all of their bottled products.

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Sean Tomlinson receiving award from Tim Croxson of Croxsons, sponsors of the award.

