



CHAMPION CASK ALES OF NORFOLK 2026

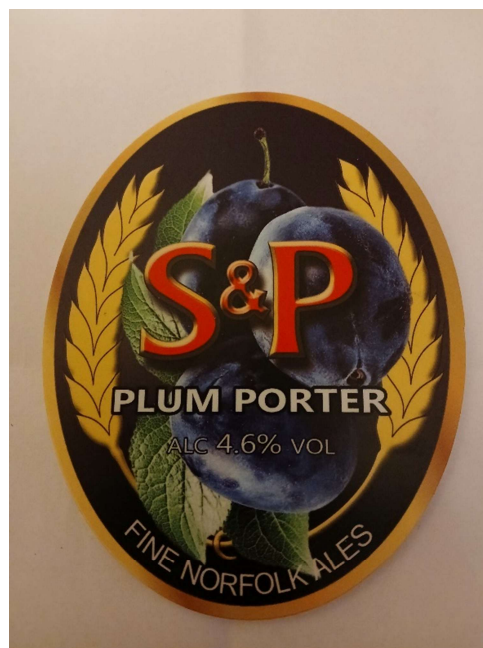
'OLDEST NORFOLK BREWER WINS PREMIER AWARD'

Andy Keely, owner and Head Brewer of Horseford based S&P Brewery, was left speechless when told that his Plum Porter had been chosen as the Champion Cask Ale of Norfolk 2026. Andy has been trying to retire for some time, but the brewing bug is hard to lose.

He did recover in time to comment that, 'It's good to see that us experienced elders can still teach the youngsters a thing or two.'

This is the first time S&P have taken the top award although their Blackberry Porter won the Speciality Class in the 2025 awards.

The beer was described by one of the judges as having: 'Rich, fruity, blackcurrant notes in both aroma and taste. A vinous maltiness with a dark chocolate edge imposes a mature, lasting, memory. Just like a tawny port.'



Production at the brewery commenced in 2013 using a 10-barrel plant constructed upon land once owned by prominent Norfolk brewers Steward & Patteson (1800-1965), hence the name. Locally produced malts are used, as is water from the brewery's own borehole.

The winning beers were tasted and scored by members of the Norfolk CAMRA Tasting Panel. Panel Chair Alan Edwards commented, 'It's a well-deserved award as Andy has been producing quality cask ales for several years. Norfolk breweries may be small in size but big on quality, as the awards below will testify.'

The Runner-Up was Woodfordes Wherry, a Session bitter from the Woodbastwick Brewery, In Joint Third Place were Winter Ash, a Speciality Beer from the Grain brewery in Alburgh, and Sirius Dog Star, a Red Ale from the Attleborough based Wolf Brewery.

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	BEER	BREWERY	HOME	BRANCH
OVERALL WINNER				
WINNER	PLUM PORTER	S&P	HORSFORD	NORWICH & DISTRICT
RUNNER UP	WHERRY	WOODFORDES NORFOLK ALES	WOODBASTWICK	NORWICH & DISTRICT
THIRD =	WINTER ASH	GRAIN BREWERY	ALBURGH	MID ANGLIA
THIRD=	SIRIUS DOG STAR	WOLF BREWERY	ATTLEBOROUGH	NORWICH & DISTRICT
SESSION BITTER				
WINNER	WHERRY	WOODFORDES NORFOLK ALES	WOODBASTWICK	NORWICH & DISTRICT
SECOND=	BITTER	AMPERSAND BREW CO	DISS	MID NORFOLK
SECOND=	OAKS	BARSHAM BREWERY	WEST BARSHAM	NORWICH & DISTRICT
THIRD	HARE TODAY	MOON GAZER	HINDRINGHAM	NORWICH & DISTRICT
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WINNER	CITRUS KISS	MR WINTER'S BREWING CO	NORWICH	NORWICH & DISTRICT
BROWN ALE, RED ALE, OLD ALE & STRONG MILD				
WINNER	SIRIUS DOG STAR	WOLF BREWERY	ATTLEBOROUGH	NORWICH & DISTRICT

SPECIALITY ALE - FLAVOURED

WINNER PLUM PORTER S&P HORSFORD NORWICH & DISTRICT

SPECIALITY ALE – DIFFERENTLY PRODUCED

WINNER WINTER ASH GRAIN BREWERY ALBURGH MID ANGLIA

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