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**Cairngorm Brewery's 'Trade Winds' wins  
Champion Speciality Beer of Britain  
for 3<sup>rd</sup> year running**

**The Cairngorm Brewery is celebrating again.** Today, at the 29<sup>th</sup> Great British Beer Festival, the Highland company based in Aviemore picked up the CAMRA Champion Speciality Beer of Great Britain for the **third** year running with their real ale '**Trade Winds**'.

The beer is noted as a speciality beer due to additional natural flavours, in Trade Winds case elderflowers being mixed in with the hops. Sean Tomlinson, Brewing Manager for Cairngorm describes the beer "as having a light golden colour with a high proportion of wheat giving it a clean fresh taste, on top of which there is masses of hops, fruit and citrus flavours".

The brewery has built an outstanding reputation for quality. As well as winning the Great British Beer Festivals Champion Speciality category now for the last three years, the brewery has won the SIBA UK Champion Best Bitter award this year whilst also winning the Champion Beer of Scotland in 2004 and 2005 and being runner up this year.

Managing Director, Robbie Walker commented, "I'm delighted. The brewing team, Ewan Grant and Gordon Smith, lead by Sean Tomlinson aims to ensure high quality, consistently. This third win in a row proves that they are achieving that goal. And whilst they produce the beer our office team, Beth and Roz deserve recognition for ensuring our beers get to our customers satisfactorily. This is as important."

Sales Manager, Merlin Sandbach commented, "these quality awards are having a real impact. Such success and exposure really helps to create a point of difference between Cairngorm Brewery and its competition."

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## Images

- see [www.cairngormbrewery.com](http://www.cairngormbrewery.com) website
- see [www.gbbf.org](http://www.gbbf.org) website

## Notes - The Cairngorm Brewery

The Cairngorm Brewery Co Ltd has been trading since 2001 and is based in Aviemore within the Cairngorm National Park.

The brewery has a 10bbl mash tun and copper, 90bbls of fermentation capacity and 120bbls of conditioning capacity. All malts are milled on site and whole hop flowers are used; both aid in ensuring that consistent high quality is maintained. The majority of the beers are racked and leave the site in cask format.

The brewery has 16 different brews; some brewed all year round, others as seasonals. Eight of the brews are also bottled.

## Recent notably awards

2006	<b>CAMRA</b> <b>GBBF</b> Champion Speciality	Trade Winds
2006	<b>SIBA</b> UK Champion Best Bitter	Trade Winds
2005	CAMRA GBBF Champion Speciality	Trade Winds
2005	CAMRA Champion Beer of Scotland	Black Gold
2005	Runner up to CAMRA Champion Beer of Scotland	Trade Winds
2005	SIBA UK Champion Stout	Black Gold
2004	CAMRA GBBF Champion Speciality	Trade Winds
2004	CAMRA Champion Beer of Scotland	Trade Winds
2004	SIBA Scottish Champion Stout	Black Gold
2004	SIBA UK Bavarian Style Wheat Beer	White Lady

### **CAMRA**

#### **Campaign for Real Ale**

More information about this organisation can be found on their web site [www.camra.org.uk](http://www.camra.org.uk)

### **GBBF**

#### **Great British Beer Festival**

[www.gbbf.org](http://www.gbbf.org)

### **SIBA**

Society for Independent Brewers

This is a trade organisation for independent brewers and more information can be found on their web site

[www.siba.co.uk](http://www.siba.co.uk)

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