

## **NORTH EAST SCOTLAND FOOD AND DRINK AWARDS - SHORTLIST**

### **Most Successful Product from the 2018 Awards**

- Hungry Squirrel - Savoury Product Range
- rora dairy - Little Yogurt Pots (foodservice)
- Summerhouse Drinks - St Clement's
- Balvenie St. Ice Cream - Luxury Single Malt Whisky Ice Cream in 3 Casks of Character

### **Best Retail Product (Small Businesses)**

- Kingsgate Preserves - Preserves Range - Aromatic Raspberry; Balsamic Fig; Plum & PX
- rora dairy - Scottish Blueberry Yogurt
- VegCo - Sweet Chilli Jam

### **Best Retail Product (Medium Businesses)**

- Speyside Specialities - Chilli Black Pudding
- Summerhouse Drinks - Winter Spice
- Summerhouse Drinks - Walter Gregor's Mixers Gift Pack
- The Kindness Bakery - Oatcake Range (175g) - Mealie; Mature Cheddar Cheese; Chilli

### **Best Retail Product (Large)**

- Associated Seafoods Ltd - Scottish Speybay Sweetcure Smoked Salmon
- Dean's - Steven Brown Art All Butter Shortbread Gift Tins range - Angus McCoo; Francie & Josie McZoo; Lizzie McCoo
- Dean's - Luxury Shortbread Gift Tins range (150g) - Sour Cherry & Dark Chocolate; Gin, Lime & Juniper; Strawberry & Pink Peppercorn
- Dean's - Tesco Finest Spiced Apple Crumble Shortbread
- Joseph Robertson (Aberdeen) Ltd - Co-op Gluten Free Battered Scottish Haddock Fillets
- Mackie's of Scotland - Mango & Passion Fruit Real Dairy Ice Cream

### **Best Brewed Product (Retail, Foodservice)**

- Brew Toon - Craft Beer Range - The Jail Ale (Red Ale); M'ango Unchained (Mango IPA); Ship Launch (Brut IPA)
- six°north - Omnium
- six°north - Peloton
- Spey Valley Brewery - Spey's Software
- Spey Valley Brewery - Winter Sunshine
- Windswept Brewing Co Ltd - Hurricane IPA

### **Best Distilled Product (Retail, Foodservice)**

- El:gin - Coirce Oat Vodka
- Esker Spirits - Esker Silverglas Gin
- Glen Garioch Distillery - Glen Garioch Vintage 2007, Cask 57
- Lost Loch Spirits Ltd - eeNoo
- Raven Spirits Limited - Hrafn Gin - Thought & Memory
- The House of Botanicals - Old Tom Gin; Maple Gin

### **Best Foodservice Product**

- Mackintosh of Glendaveny Ltd - Cold Pressed Rapeseed Oil Infused with Basil
- Macphie Ltd - Vegan-Certified Cake Mix and Frosting Range - Chocolate and Plain
- rora dairy - Scottish Strawberry, Scottish Raspberry, Scottish Blueberry Yogurt (1kg)

### **Best Young Business**

- Brew Toon
- Esker Spirits
- Hungry Squirrel
- Keith Brewery Ltd
- The Teasmith Spirit Company

### **Investing in Skills Development**

- Associated Seafoods Ltd
- Farmlay Eggs

### **Food & Drink Entrepreneur of the Year**

- Christopher Leigh - John Ross Jr (Aberdeen) Ltd
- Adam Elan-Elmegirab - The House of Botanicals

### **Best Food & Drink Tourism Experience**

- Aberdeenshire Highland Beef - Food and Farm Experience
- Glen Garioch Distillery - Glen Garioch Distillery
- Gordon Castle Walled Garden Café - Gordon Castle Walled Garden Café
- Mackie's of Scotland - Mackie's 19.2
- Windswept Brewing Co Ltd - Windswept Tap Room

### **Export Business of the Year**

- Associated Seafoods Ltd
- Keith Brewery Ltd
- Mackie's of Scotland
- The House of Botanicals

### **Innovation Award**

- Blackford Craft Distillery - Holistic Environment Centred Approach to Business
- Brew Toon - Vanilla Nitro Stout - The Dark Nite
- Deeside Distillery - Hand-Crafted Ready to Drink Kegged Cocktails
- Farmlay Eggs - In-Line Pallet/Tray Washing Operation
- Forest Farm - Organic Dairy - Scotland's 1st Milk Vending Machine
- Mackintosh of Glendaveny Ltd - Production Process Monitored and Controlled by PLC Computer Systems
- Macphie Ltd - Vegan-Certified Cake
- VegCo - Renewable Powered Business Model