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Stone Pony beer announced for club's anniversary

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Asbury Park club The Stone Pony is one of the most fabled destinations in rock 'n' roll history — and now, in commemoration of its 45th anniversary, the Pony is getting its own beer.

The Ocean Avenue club has teamed with Asbury Park Brewery to release The Stone Pony Forty-Five, a limited-edition craft lager.

The beer will be unveiled at the Asbury Park Beerfest on Saturday and Sunday in Convention Hall on the Asbury Park Boardwalk.

Asbury Park Brewery founder Jeff Plate, himself also a local musician, collaborated with Stone Pony general manager Caroline O'Toole to create the beer, a lager with 4.5 percent ABV.

"We collectively chose a traditional American lager — inspired by the most

popular style of beer when The Stone Pony opened their doors and added a modern twist," Plate said in a statement.

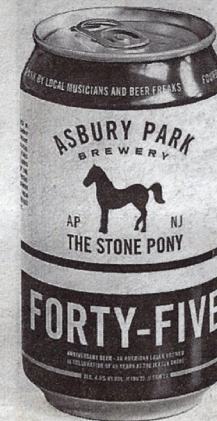
"The result is an American lager, dry hopped with a few different hop varieties, one being a Saphir hop, to commemorate the sapphire symbolism of the 45th anniversary."

The Stone Pony Forty-Five will also be available in the Asbury Park Brewery tasting room, 810 Sewall Ave., on Asbury Park Beerfest weekend.

Cans will be available for sale at locations on the Asbury Park Boardwalk starting with the Feb. 15 Southside Johnny and the Asbury Jukes show at the Stone Pony.

A portion of the proceeds from The Stone Pony Forty-Five will go toward WhyHunger.

The beer is expected to be available until December, or while supplies last.



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