**JANUARY**

A special edition of the *Addiction* journal, led by David Jernigan PhD, director of the Center on Alcohol Marketing and Youth, claims that young people across the world are over-exposed to alcohol marketing practices.

In other news, charity Alcohol Concern hold their biggest Dry January campaign so far.

**FEBRUARY**

The grieving mother of a incident involving white cider leads calls for an increase in duty on cheap, high-strength alcohol at a parliamentary event held ahead of the Spring Budget.

An IAS report finds the case for lower alcohol taxes is ‘overstated’.

**MARCH**

Chancellor Philip Hammond opens a consultation on the possibility of having a new higher tax band for white cider in his first Budget statement of the year.

Elsewhere, one-in-four adults are found to have drunk above the unit guidelines, and the European Commission calls for the labelling of alcoholic beverages.

**APRIL**

Showcased at a Healthy Stadia conference held at the Emirates Stadium, the report *Foul Play* reveals how the alcohol industry bent advertising rules during Euro 2016, while the House of Lords Select Committee calls for a major overhaul of the Licensing Act (2003).
MAY

The report *Anytime, anyplace, anywhere?* compares the alcohol availability policies of Australian and UK licensing authorities, while alcohol-related admissions to hospitals in England reach an all-time high in 2015/16.

JUNE

The 43rd annual KBS symposium, hosted by the Sheffield Alcohol Research Group, sees researchers discuss the issue of promoting their findings in a politically charged environment, while MESAS data shows that enough alcohol is being sold in England and Wales for every drinker to consume 21 units of alcohol every week.

JULY

Judges at the UK Supreme Court in London conclude their latest deliberations over whether minimum unit pricing should be ruled legal under Scottish law. Elsewhere, hepatologists make the ‘financial case’ for action on liver disease in *The Lancet*, and a Europe-wide report finds the UK above the average level risk for cancers related to drinking.

AUGUST

Airlines call for alcohol restrictions following a BBC Panorama investigation into the rise of drunken incidents at airports and on flights.

Official estimates show the number of people seriously injured in drink drive accidents is up almost 10% on the previous year, while the number of fatalities fell.
SEPTMBER

Pubs call for action on cheap supermarket alcohol; a large majority (83%) believe it is too cheap.

Elsewhere, a study finds the alcohol industry misleading the public about alcohol’s links with cancer.

OCTOBER

Report presented in parliament by Caroline Flint MP finds that even low-level parental drinking is associated with increased risk of a range of harms for children, while the Welsh Assembly introduces a minimum unit price for alcohol as part of its Public Health (Minimum Price for Alcohol) Bill.

NOVEMBER

There are contrasting fortunes for British alcohol policy campaigners, as the Scottish administration finally wins its long-running court case to introduce minimum unit pricing, while UK Chancellor of the Exchequer Hammond freezes alcohol duty.

DECEMBER

Freedom of Information data show that anti-drink-driving enforcement activity has fallen over the last five years, a worrying fact in light of there being no significant changes to the number of drink-driving deaths throughout the decade so far.