



# The Shipyard Brewing Company

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**Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow this morning, meaning Shipyard Winter Ale will last for six more weeks.**

PUNXSUTAWNEY, Pennsylvania -- Punxsutawney Phil, the pudgy woodchuck that forecasts spring's arrival each year on Groundhog Day, was pulled from his hutch Friday and saw his shadow, which, as legend says, signals six more weeks of winter weather.

To a crowd estimated to be around 12,000 strong, in person, and millions more who were waiting to hear the news, the world-famous critter, who emerges every February 2 from a burrow on Gobbler's Knob near Punxsutawney to look for his shadow, came out this year and was able to see his shadow.

In an unusual move, the usually reclusive Phil smiled and then addressed the crowd.

I'm glad you could all be here with me today. I just want you all to know that I'm thrilled that my shadow was visible to me. I'm sure you all know what that means, Shipyard Winter Ale will be available for 6 more weeks!!!"

With this being the beginning of the true Millennium I'm delighted that we could start it on such a grand note." I mean I really enjoyed the Shipyard Summer Ale last year and look forward to its return, but not until March 15th." There's no need to be in a hurry to end Shipyard's Winter Ale early this year."

If I can continue to do my part and keep Shipyard Brewing Co, located in Portland, Maine, making that wonderful Winter Ale of their's I will." When asked what he had planned for the rest of the day, Phil stated that Bill (Murray)was coming over and they intended to drink some Shipyard Winter Ale and catch up on old times.

So, It's official. Shipyard Winter Ale will continue to be produced for fine establishments around New England and Florida through mid-March. Be sure to get some today.

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