



NOTTINGHAM CAMRA BRANCH INFORMATION

FEBRUARY 2008 BRANCH MEETING

It is intended that at each Branch meeting these information notes will be supplied, keeping you informed over the issues that are being addressed by Nottingham CAMRA.

Nottingham CAMRA are establishing a skills database and if would love to know if you feel able to offer any expertise which may be of use in any future campaign/event. Make contact and let us know if you can help - if does not mean you need to attend meetings or be on the committee.

If you do not wish to receive further e-mails from your local branch please send a blank e-mail to emailoptout@camra.org.uk and we will amend your record accordingly. If you wish your contact details to be amended please inform us membership@camra.org.uk

Don't forget to regularly check the NOTTINGHAM CAMRA WEB SITE at www.nottinghamcamra.org to see what is happening in your area. You can also email your thoughts, opinions and news to siteadmin@nottinghamcamra.org

LocAle

Steady progress is being made with more pubs joining LocAle and a number of branches either launching with the scheme or in the process of joining. A formal workshop on LocAle is to take place at the national CAMRA AGM which it to be held in Cardiff in April. The signs are encouraging that the scheme, as created by Nottingham CAMRA, will become a national scheme.

MILD TRAIL

The Mild Trail working party has met and surveying is now under way to produce the 2008 Mild Trail. The format of the event will be similar to previous years and will run from Saturday 26th April to Saturday 7th June, inclusive.

NOTTINGHAM BEER AND CIDER FESTIVAL

The City Council have confirmed that the Victoria Leisure Centre will be shut later this year and the Nottingham 2008 Beer Festival will therefore be held at a new venue. A number of options are being explored and work is in hand to establish a larger and more impressive event. Keep reading ND for more updates.

EARL OF CHESTERFIELD, SHELFORD

Locals from the pub are involved in a campaign to keep the pub from shutting and being turned into residential accommodation. Nottingham CAMRA have pledged their support are working with the campaigners to save the pub.

LOCAL BEER FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

Feb 29-Mar 1 (Fri - Sat) Horse and Groom Winter Beer Festival, 462 Radford Road, Basford NG7 7EA. (7 minutes walk from NET stop Shipstone St) Up to 17 different beers including special guests from Highgate. Live music from No Fixed Abode.

Mar 6-8 (Thurs-Sat) 32nd Loughborough Beer Festival, Polish Club, True Lovers Walk (off William Street). Thu 4pm-11pm; Fri Noon-11pm; Sat 11am-11pm. Admission £1 all lunchtime sessions £3 after 7pm each eve. CAMRA Membs free all times.

Mar 12- 15 Leicester Beer Festival, Charotar Patidar Samaj, Off St Margaret's Way. LE1 3AE. 200 beers + ciders and wine plus special LocAle bar. Card carrying CAMRA members free; souvenir glass £2. Check www.camra.org.uk/leicester

Mar 13-19 (Thur-Wed) St Patrick's Stout Festival, The Bell Inn, Market Place, Nottm. 17 stouts from 17 breweries on the 17th.

Mar 14-15 Bingham Rugby Club Beer Festival, The Pavilion, Brendon Grove, Bingham. NG13 8TN. Fri 7-11; Sat 12-11. 12 beers and ciders. Admission £2. 1st drink free.

Mar 20-23 (Thur-Sat) Canal House Beer Festival, Canal Street. Free admission 20+ real ales.

Mar 20-22 (Thur-Sat) Pilgrim Oak, Hucknall. Batemans beer Festival.

Mar 21-24 (Fri-Mon) Victoria Easter Beer Festival, Victoria Hotel, 85 Dovecote Lane, Beeston. NG9 1JG.

Up to 60 beers with 30 available at any one time. Free admission; music Sunday night from Richie Muir; jazz Monday evening.

Mar 27- 30 (Thur evening to Sun) Royal Oak, Watnall Beer Festival. Approx 20 beers plus cider available in the 'Log Cabin' at the rear of the pub. Live music planned for Saturday night.

Mar 27-29 (Thur-Sat) 18th Doncaster Beer Festival, The Hub, Chappel Drive, DN1 2RF. 80+ beers, cider and foreign bars. Thur 6-11; Fri&Sat 11-11. Entertainment Fri night. CAMRA members free at all times. Returnable glass hire fee payable.

Mar 28-29 (Fri&Sat) Burton on Trent and South Derbyshire Winter Festival, Burton Town Hall. Approx 80 real ales + Ciders. CAMRA members free.

Apr 10-13 (Thurs-Sun) 17th Mansfield Beer & Cider Festival, Intake Club Kirkland Avenue Mansfield NG18 5QP Card-carrying CAMRA membs free all times. Non-membs: Thu £2; Fri/Sat, Daytime £2, Eves £5, £7 on the door; Sun Free. Remaining Beer £1 per pint. Tickets (Fri/Sat eve) from Intake Club, Bold Forester, Greyhound, Mansfield Woodhouse