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BRANCH INFORMATION: FEBRUARY 2011 BRANCH MEETING



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ROBIN HOOD BEER AND CIDER FESTIVAL

The branch has learnt that Dave Green, Manager of Nottingham Castle, has taken on a new role with the National Trust. Dave Green was instrumental in the Beer Festival relocating to the Castle grounds and whilst we wish him every success in his new job he will be a difficult act to follow. Arrangements are in hand to meet with City Council officials and the indications are that there will be no major changes to the 2011 event (other than more beer and cider!)

TRIPS AND SOCIALS

The March survey trip will be on Wednesday 23rd visiting Sutton Bonington, Wysall & Widmerpool. On Monday 14th March we have a public transport crawl of Sherwood catching the NCT 56 at 19.00 from Parliament Street (near the Blue Bell) we will start in the Sherwood Manor and then to the Samuel Hall about 19.45.

On Friday 18th March we take a bus for a visit to 2 brewery taps; East Butterwick (for Dark Tribe) then Willingham by Stow (Grafters) and we will pull in Just Beer in Newark on the way back. The bus leaves Cast at 18.00 and hope to be back in Nottingham before midnight, the cost will be a maximum of £10 (hopefully less, depending on numbers)

The branch meeting on 31st March will be at the Victoria in Beeston, and we have Pete Hounsell of Amber Brewery as a guest speaker, also the pub will have a LocAle beer festival on that weekend.

Don't forget, you can sign up for e-mail alerts for all the trips, just let Ray know. EVERYONE is welcome to any CAMRA meeting or outing, you do NOT have to be a member. And finally Ray can be contacted electronically at: - raykirby@nottinghamcamra.org

LocAle

Since the last meeting the following pubs have joined the Nottingham LocAle scheme - Fat Cat; Royal Oak, Radcliffe on Trent; Middletons and Larwood & Voce. The Fleece, Upper Broughton has been removed from the scheme as they no longer regularly have a LocAle.

LOCAL BEER FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

Thu 24th to Sat 26th Feb - **10th Derby Winter Beer Festival, Roundhouse, Derby College, Pride Park, Derby DE24 8JE** 120+ real ales, cider, perry. See website www.derbywinterbeerfestival.co.uk for more details inc beer list.

Fri 25th to Sun 27th Feb - **The Chesterfield Arms**, Chesterfield Joint Beer Festival. 80 beers

Thu 3rd to Sat 5th March - **Loughborough Beer Festival, The Polish Club, True Lovers Walk off William Street, Loughborough.** 70+ beers plus cider and perry. More details www.loughboroughcamra.org.uk

Fri 4th to Sat 5th March - **West Bridgford Monarchs Hockey Club Beer Festival, 276a Loughborough Road, Nottingham. NG2 7FA.** Fri 4-11, Sat 12-11. All beers £2.40/pint. Catch NCT 10 to ASDA and walk up Loughborough Rd. Located next to Fire Station. www.wbhockey.co.uk

Wed 9th to Sat 12th March - **Leicester Beer Festival. The Charotar Patidar Samaj, Bay St / South Churchgate, Leicester LE1 3AE.** Over 220 Beers and 35 Cider / Perry. Open Weds 5pm - 11pm, Thurs / Fri 11- 11, Sat 11am - 10pm. www.leicestercamra.org.uk for full details.

Fri 25th to Sun 27th March - **Stag Inn British Sumertime Event, Stag Inn, 67 Nottingham Road, Kimberley. NG16 2NB.** 10+ beers served on rotation throughout the weekend. Catch the TB Rainbow 1.