



## NOTTINGHAM CAMRA BRANCH INFORMATION

### JANUARY 2008 BRANCH MEETING

Dear member

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](mailto: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](mailto:membership@camra.org.uk)

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

#### LocAle

A representative from St Albans has visited Nottingham to discuss the potential for LocAle to become a national campaign. It has been stressed that the Branch view is that 'locale' must be a distance of less than 20 miles, although other parts of the scheme may be slightly amended. For example, in order to establishing copyright it is expected that the scheme will become known as CAMRA LocAle.

#### MILD TRAIL

Work on the 2008 Mild trail has started but it is hoped that more volunteers will get involved in not just the work of the sub committee but also surveying pubs and delivering the mild trail packs in due course. Any one interested in helping just needs to make contact with Nottingham CAMRA, through the web site [www.nottinghamcamra.org](http://www.nottinghamcamra.org) or make contact with any committee member.

#### NOTTINGHAM BEER AND CIDER FESTIVAL

Work has commenced on planning for this years event. After considerable discussion efforts have been made to seek a superior venue for the 2008 event and it is expected that more details will be given out at the February meeting.

#### JOIN THE COMMITTEE

The February meeting is the local branch AGM and changes to the committee are certain to take place following the announcement made by Richard Studeny that he is to step down from his role as Chairman. The current committee has been boosted by co-opting Sypke Golding to serve as a committee member and as a former Chairman he has also thrown his hat into the ring for nomination as Chairman of Nottingham CAMRA. All committee members have to re nominate for their roll on the committee each year and are voted on at the AGM. Nomination forms will be available at AGM (Feb 28<sup>th</sup>, Canalhouse) or can be downloaded from web site.

#### CUT BEER TAX CAMPAIGN

Nationally CAMRA are focusing on trying to persuade the Chancellor of the Exchequer that beer tax needs to be cut this year as the industry has been badly hit by a number of factors which has led to a steep increase in the price of a pint and will lead to further increases. Campaigning cards can be obtained by e-mailing [jonathan.mail@camra.org.uk](mailto:jonathan.mail@camra.org.uk) Cards will also be available at the Magpie Beer Festival being held in the Meadow Club from this weekend (Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Feb 11-11 and Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> 11-3 and 5-11). CAMRA members get £1 discount on the £2 admission

#### LOCAL BEER FESTIVALS

**Jan 31 – Feb 02 (Thu – Sat) Magpie's Beer Festival, Meadow Club Meadow Lane**  
50 + beers plus ciders. Open Thu evening, all day Fri, Sat 11 – 3 and 5 – 11

**Feb 1 –2 (Fri – Sat) “The Black & Gold Beer Festival 2008”, The Clubhouse, 276 Loughborough Road, West Bridgford.** Fri 4-11pm, Sat 12-11pm. More than 15 beers. NCT bus 10 to ASDA and walk up hill to fire station. (further info on [www.wbhockey.co.uk](http://www.wbhockey.co.uk))

**Feb 1 –2 (Fri – Sat) Chesterfield Beer Festival, The Winding Wheel, Holywell St.** (5 mins. walk from station). Fri 5-11pm; Sat 11am-3pm; Sat 6.30-11pm. CAMRA concessions avail on entry. 18+ only. Tickets from Pomegranate Theatre Box office (01246 345222. Advance Tickets recommended all sessions. **Entry to eve sessions advance tickets only.** [www.chesterfieldbeerfestival.org.uk](http://www.chesterfieldbeerfestival.org.uk)

**Feb 13-16 (Wed – Sat) Johnson Arms Winter Beer Festival, Abbey St. Dunkirk.** 25 Ales over 4 days. Beer vouchers 4 pints for £9. Live music Thursday and Saturday. [www.johnsonarms.co.uk](http://www.johnsonarms.co.uk), email [mail@johnsonarms.co.uk](mailto:mail@johnsonarms.co.uk) or call 0115 9786355.

**Feb 20 – 24 (Wed – Sun) Six Nations Beer Festival, the Bell Inn, Market Square, Nottingham.** 20 beers, Free buffet Thu 21 for card carrying CAMRA members.

**Feb 29-Mar 1 (Fri - Sat) Horse and Groom Winter Beers 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.

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