



## BRANCH INFORMATION: MARCH 2009 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.

### LOCAL GUIDE

A sub committee led by Howard Clark, Nottingham Webmaster, has been set up with the aim to produce a local on-line guide. The groups remit is also to explore the potential for collecting photographic records of all pubs (external and internal).

### SECOND NOTTINGHAM ROBIN HOOD BEER AND CIDER FESTIVAL

The Festival will be open Thursday 8 to Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> but staff will be needed for the period Monday 5<sup>th</sup> to Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October, inclusive. Already 21 people have volunteered but more staff are urgently needed. One of the aims this year is to 'bring a friend' to help work at the Festival – so please start asking now. Anyone interested please e-mail [acl\\_50@ntlworld.com](mailto:acl_50@ntlworld.com).

### CAMRA LocAle

100 – Yes 100 local pubs are now part of the Nottingham CAMRA locAle scheme. Beer sales and pub numbers are continuing to reduce but out of all the gloom it is clear that the public have a desire for local beers – hence the success of this scheme.

### MILD TRAIL

Details of the 2009 mild appear in the current edition of ND (April/May). The Mild trail will start at the end of April and will continue until early June. Even if you are not a regular mild drinker, try a pint or two at any one of the participating pubs – and collect a sticker!

### TRIPS AND SOCIALS

The mini bus survey trips are as follows: April we look at Watnall area; on into May it will be Caythorpe/Hoveringham and June will have us visit East & West Leake. May sees the annual trip to Lincoln; a bus to Spire Brewery (Chesterfield) takes place on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May (book by 10<sup>th</sup> May) - the cost of the brewery will be £12 (to cover the beer), the bus will be extra on top of this. As always, your CAMRA membership card is required to obtain your discount on paying for bus trips. For more information e-mail [raykirby@nottinghamcamra.org](mailto:raykirby@nottinghamcamra.org)

### LOCAL BEER FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

**Mar 26 -29 (Thur-Sun) Royal Oak Beer Festival**, Main Road, Watnall. 20 ales + cider. Veolia bus.

**Apr 2-5 (Thu-Sun) Mansfield Beer Festival**, Intake club, Kirkland Avenue, NG18 5QP. 80 + beers, cider, perries & wine. Opening hours and admission costs. web site [www.mansfieldcamra.org](http://www.mansfieldcamra.org)

**April 9-12 (Thu-Sun) 5<sup>th</sup> Alma Inn**, 59 Derby Road, Melbourne, Derby 15 Ales ☎01332 695200

**April 16-18 (Thu-Sat) Doncaster Beer Festival**, The Hub, Chappell Drive 90+ beers, ciders + foreign beer bar. Thu 5.30pm entry CAMRA membs (6pm rest) till 11pm. Fri/Sat 11am-11pm. Food avail till 9.30pm. Entertainment Fri night + Sat, (Rockingham Colliery Band Sat noon). Entry £3.50 (£5 Fri after 6pm), CAMRA membs free. Returnable glass hire fee £1.50.

**Apr 10-13 (Fri-Mon) Victoria Easter Beer Festival**, Dovecote Lane, Beeston. Over 50 beers (30 at any one time) + ciders and perries

**April 20-26 (Mon-Sun) Greene King pubs joint beer festival**: Peacock, Clifton, Plainsman, Test Match, Lady Bay, Meadow Covert, Bell, Trip to Jerusalem. Details call Brian on 0115 9232074

**Apr 30 -3 May (Thur-Sun) Poet & Castle Beer Festival**, Alfreton Road, Codnor.

**April 23-25 (Thur-Sat) Bold Forester 10th Anniversary St. George's Beer Festival**, Sutton Road (A38) Mansfield 30 beers, open all day, food served all day. 10 mins walk from bus and rail stations or bus R3 from Nottm/Hucknall/Kirkby/Sutton to door.

**April 23-26 (Thu-Sun) Air Hostess Beer Festival, Stanstead Ave, Tollerton Bus: Keyworth Connection** 16+ Real Ales and 4 ciders, Morris Dancers Thu, music from State Zero Sun.

**April 30 - May 3 (Thu-Sun) Poet & Castle**, Alfreton Rd, Codnor Over 40 ales & ciders.  
Entertainment nightly: 01773 744150. [www.poetandcastle.co.uk](http://www.poetandcastle.co.uk)  
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