



BRANCH INFORMATION: MAY 2010 BRANCH MEETING

LocAle

Cross Keys on Byards Lane becomes the latest pub to join LocAle, making it 125 pubs in the Newark, Nottingham Erewash Valley areas. If you are aware of any pub that should be considered for Locale (or be withdrawn) please contact Andrew Ludlow ☎ 0115 9640639 or e-mail locale@nottinghamcamra.org

MILD TRAIL

Has nowended. Don't forget to submit your form to be in with a chance of winning a Mild Trail T-shirt and other prizes.

NOTTINGHAM ROBIN HOOD BEER AND CIDER FESTIVAL

The Robin Hood Festival will take place between Thursday 14th October and Sunday 17th October 2010. Visit the Festival web site at www.nottinghamcamra.org where it is possible to buy advance tickets, which guarantee admission. Tickets can also be bought at the Tourism centre on Smith Row – perhaps an idea for a unique birthday present for someone?

NOTTINGHAM SQUASH CLUB MINI BEER FESTIVAL

Tatershall Drive, The Park, NG7 1BX. 6 beers on gravity + 2 on handpull. Beers from Holland, Grafton, Magpie, Milestone and new brewery Flipside. To coincide with England's first match 7.30 Saturday. Watch the match and try some beers. Food available. Free entry with CAMRA card. 6pm till close Friday, 12 noon to close Saturday.

PUB OF THE YEAR: PRESENTATIONS

The Nottingham Pub of the Year presentations are to take place at The Hand & Heart, Derby Road (Runner up) on 28th June and The Crown, Beeston (Winner) on 30th June.

TRIPS AND SOCIALS

The mini bus survey trips for the next period are as follows: In June the trip will be to Rempstone, Costock & Bunny, July will be to Linby & Papplewick area (the previous trip was cancelled) and in August it will take in Kegworth Normanton on Soar and Zouch. The last two trips out weren't particularly well supported, so please let me know if you want these to continue.

The public transport social/survey trips have been very popular. "Rays Round" The July trip is Ruddington catching the 6.45 NCT no 10 bus, also from Wilkinson's. In August it will be a crawl based on Ray's his article in the Drinker - catch the NCT no 13 bus from Beastmarket Hill in the Market Square. As always, your CAMRA membership card is required to obtain your discount on paying for bus trips. Also, don't forget, you can sign up for e-mail alerts for all the trips, just let Ray know. See the diary dates column for times and dates of all the trips, socials etc. Ray can be contacted electronically at: - raykirby@nottinghamcamra.org

COME AND JOIN US

The next branch meeting is on Thursday 24th June at 8.00 pm at Deux, Clumber Street. Meetings normally have either a guest speaker or a quiz during the evening, so why not join us and enjoy a beer or two?

LOCAL BEER FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

JUNE	
Fri 11th to Sun 13th Pub Fest	8th Welland Valley Beer Festival. Free heritage bus on Saturday from Market Harborough Rail station visiting all ten pubs taking part. For details and timetable visit www.wellandvalleybeerfestival.co.uk

Fri 11th to Sat 12th Pub Fest	Nottingham Squash Club Mini Beer Festival. Tatershall Drive, The Park, NG7 1BX. 6 beers on gravity + 2 on handpull. Beers from Holland, Grafton, Magpie, Milestone and new brewery Flipside. To coincide with England's first match 7.30 Saturday. Watch the match and try some beers. Food available. Free entry with CAMRA card. 6pm till close Friday, 12 noon to close Saturday.
Fri 18th to Sat 19th Pub Fest	Syston Social Club, Syston, Leics. LE7 1GP 20+ Beers and Ciders. Open Midday to Midnight. Free entry. Direct train from Nottingham/Beeston (Lincoln-Leicester service). Details at www.systonsocial.co.uk
Fri 25th to Sun 27th Pub Fest	Bingham Rugby Club Summer Beer Festival, The Pavilion, Brendon Grove, NG13 8TN. 20 different beers and ciders. Details: www.binghamrufc.co.uk
JULY	
Thu 1st to Sat 3rd Pub Fest	The Alfred, 51 Derby Street, Burton-on-Trent. DE14 2LD. Noon-10pm. 13 UK real Ales in marquee plus 6 inside from Bridge Brewery. Food available. www.bbb-thealfred.co.uk
Fri 2nd to Sun 4th Pub Fest	Southwell pubs Independence Day Beer Festival. The Hearty Good Fellow, The Old Coach House & The Bramley Apple, Church Street/Easthorpe, Southwell, Notts. 60 different real ales and cider. Live music, BBQ, Carvery. Childrens fun day Sunday. Catch NCT Pathfinder 100 - Network Group Rider ticket (up to 2 Adults + 3 Children) now half price at weekends.
Sun 4th Brewery Event	Thornbridge Hall Garden Party, Ashford-in-the-Water, Derbys. DE45 1NZ. Beer tent and many more attractions. View Flyer
Wed 7th to Sun 11th CAMRA Fest	33rd Derby CAMRA City Charter Beer Festival, Assembly Rooms, Derby. 5 min walk from bus station, 10-15 min from rail station. Free all times for CAMRA/EBCU membs. Senior Citizens free Wed Eve + all lunches. Armed forces free with MOD ID. Usual great entertainment. Now all day opening Thu/Fri/ Sat. Wed Eve Opening Ceremony 6.15, Market Place. 6.30- 11pm (£4), Ockbrook Big Band. Thu 11.30am-11pm (Lunchfree entry), Jazz; Eve after 6pm (£5), Blondied-(Tribute). Fri 11.30am-11pm (Lunch £2), Jazz; Eve after 6pm (£7) Treebeard/ Festivals and beer events Alma Boobies. Sat 11.30am-11pm (Lunch £3), Kick & Rush; Eve (after 6pm £6), Robbing Williams (Tribute)-Fancy Dress Night. Sun 12noon-2.30pm (free entry), The Bo Dudleys (Drinking-up session). www.derbycamra.org.uk
Sat 17th Pub Event	24th Nottingham Cavendish Scout Group 2nd Centenary Beer Festival, Blackwoods, 477 Hucknall Road, Nottingham. NG5 1FW. 2 - 11pm. Fun on big lawn with outdoor games. Ticket only at £5, includes festival glass and first drink, from Ian D mob 07710 335704 or Tez M text to 07783 300420. CAMRA members get 2nd drink free. Snacks all day, hot food from 5pm. Centenary ale brewed by Magpie. TB Rainbow 3, NCT Brown line.
Sat 17th Pub/CAMRA event	Three Valleys Beer Festival - Dronfield, Holmesfield, Bradway, Totley. 9 pubs around Dronfield and SW Sheffield along with Holmesfield Village Society collaborating in a beer, cider, food and music festival. Free hourly bus service between all venues and Dronfield railway station. Use a Derbyshire Wayfarer ticket available from any train station or on any bus in Derbyshire (£8.60), or from Nottingham station (£11.40). This will give you the added flexibility to catch other regular service buses in the area. See timetables and more details at www.sheffieldcamra.org.uk/3Valleys.htm
Sat 17th to Sun Aug 1st Pub Fest	Victoria Hotel Summer Beer and Music Festival, Dovecote Lane, Beeston. Around 100 beers over the 16 day festival (16 at any one time) from regional & LocAle microbrewers + ciders & perries. Trains to Beeston Station, or NCT buses 13/14 and Trent/Barton 18 to Station St. CAMRA members 20p per pint discount Sunday - Thursday. For further details, visit www.victoriabeeston.co.uk or call 0115 9254049.
Thu 22nd to Sun 25th Pub Fest	Plough, Normanton on the Wolds, 4th Annual Beer Festival. 20 beers + ciders and perries, daily entertainment. Bus: Trent / Barton Keyworth Connection to Nicker Hill/Platt Lane and walk up Platt Lane, crossing the A606. Further details call 0115 9372407
Thu 29th to Sun 1st Aug Pub Fest	Queens Head, Watnall Beer Festival Twenty real ales plus cider in marquee; festival food and live music on Saturday night.
Wed 28th to Sun 1st Aug Pub Fest	The Unicorn Inn, Repton Rd, Newton Solney. DE15 0SG. 45 + beers, music, hog roast (Sat). Open from 6 Wed-Thu, 5 Fri and noon Sat-Sun. Trent/Barton Villager V3 bus from Derby or Burton. Details to follow on www.unicorn-inn.co.uk
Fri 30th to Sun 1st Aug Pub Fest	Malard Summer Beer Festival, Station Approach, Worksop. S81 7AG.
AUGUST	
Thu 13th to Sun 16th CAMRA Fest	Grantham Beer Festival, Grantham Railway Club off Huntingtower Rd, Grantham. 40+Beers , Cider and Perry More details to follow. Contact www.granthamcamra.org.uk
Tue 3rd to Sat 7th CAMRA Fest	Great British Beer Festival 2010, Earl's Court, London. Huge range of Beers, Ciders, Perries, international beers. Further details on www.camra.org.uk

SEPTEMBER	
<p>Thu 30th to Sun 3rd Oct</p> <p>CAMRA Fest</p>	<p>First Amber Valley Beer and Cider Festival (Ripley Rail Ale), Midland Railway - Butterley Station, Ripley, Derbyshire DE5 3QZ. Over 50 beers, ciders and fruit wines housed in railway carriages & Marquee. Thurs 6-11 (£1), Fri/Sat 12-6 (£2) and 6.30-11 (£5 ticket*/£6 door), Sun 12-3. Camra members free or *get £3 beer vouchers. Entertainment Fri/Sat eves and Sat lunch. Bus Routes, 90, 91, 92 & 93. See flyer for full details.</p>
OCTOBER	
<p>Thu 14th to Sun 17th</p> <p>CAMRA Fest</p>	<p>3rd Robin Hood, 34th Nottingham Beer Festival, Nottingham Castle. Even bigger and better than last year. Get the dates in your diary now.</p> <p>More details available now on the www.beerfestival.nottinghamcamra.org</p>